

Memorial Bench & Tree Policy

Burton & Winkton Parish Council recognize the wish for memorials and will consider requests to donate a memorial bench or tree on land owned or managed by the Parish Council. The Parish Council reserves the right to refuse or limit the number of memorials.

All requests for memorial benches and trees are to be made in writing to the Clerk, Burton & Winkton Parish Council, Burton Community Centre, Sandy Plot, BH23 7NH email: burton@dorset-aptc.gov.uk

All memorials must be paid for by the donor before purchase and installation by the Parish Council. The donor will be advised of the price on receipt of the form.

Burton and Winkton Parish Council accepts no responsibility if the memorial is damaged, vandalized or stolen.

Memorial Benches

Benches must be of a type approved by the Parish Council and pictured in this document. Burton & Winkton Parish Council will supply and install the bench, fit the memorial plate and maintain the bench in accordance with its maintenance programme. The Parish Council will maintain the bench but accepts no responsibility for replacing the bench at the end of its useful life. If the bench is no longer safe, the Parish Council reserves the right to remove the bench. When the bench reaches the end of its useful life the Parish Council will attempt to contact the donor to inform them of the situation and return the memorial plaque.

Option 1: Bench and Plaque

The donation is to be made in advance of the order being placed, it will cover the total cost of the purchase, installation, plaque and maintenance of the bench.

The Parish Council will maintain the bench but accepts no responsibility for replacing the bench at the end of its useful life. If the bench is no longer safe, the Parish Council reserves the right to remove the bench.

It is the donor's responsibility to inform the Parish Council of any change of contact details.

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Option 2: Plaque only

Placement of personalized engraved brass plaque on Burton & Winkton Parish Council owned bench. The donation is to be made in advance of the order being placed, it will cover the total cost of the plaque and contribution towards maintenance of BWPC benches and surrounding area.

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Approved BWPC bench

Option 1 Bench and Plaque 100% donation

Option 2 Plaque only - 25% donation

Memorial Trees

The cost of the donation will cover the cost of the tree, the stake guard and planting labour.

Memorial plaques are not permitted on or near trees.

A list of donors and memorial plaque inscriptions will be recorded on the Parish Council website.

The tree type will be chosen by the Parish Council to fit with the local planting plan and the donor will be informed of the tree species.

The tree will be maintained by the Parish Council as part of the ongoing maintenance programme.