

St Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Council

Report #08.3

Provision of a replacement bench near the War Memorial in Corston

1. Purpose of the report

1. To seek council approval for the purchase of a replacement bench in Corston.

2. Background

- 2.1 The existing bench is in a very poor state of repair and unfit for purpose.
- 2.2 The bench will need to be added to the council's asset register and covered by our insurance policy.

3. Options

- 3.1 Decide not to purchase the bench
- 3.2 Purchase the bench, a 150 cm solid teak 3-seater, with a suitably worded plaque, from Sloane & Sons, Burton on Trent for a cost of up to £500 including fixings
- 3.3 Seek additional quotations from manufacturers for a bench of similar quality, however it should be noted that for items under £500 our Financial Regulations only require one quote. The purchase will be identical in nature to the others recently replaced in the parish.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 The cost of this purchase can be covered from the council's accrued CIL funds.

5. Recommendation

- 5.1 The council is recommended to support Option 3.2

Clerk

On behalf of the Project WP

21st August 2026