

**Report – St. Albans Parish Council.**

**Subject – Installation Street furniture open space Woodchurch & Pavilion Road.**

**6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

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**Purpose of Report.**

To present a report and recommendations to the St. Albans Parish Council meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Councillors are asked to consider the report and recommendations for the installation of a 3 bay single sided notice board and four eco benches on the open space of Woodchurch, Pavilion and Robin Hood Road.

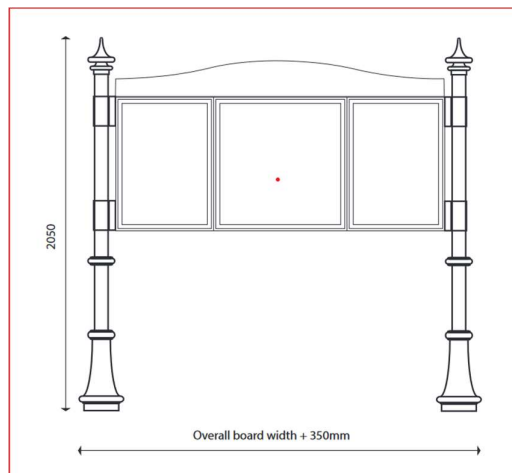
**Introduction.**

St. Albans Parish Council purchased a 3 bay single sided notice board some time ago. The notice board has been in storage for over 18 months. The original decision of the Council was to install this notice board on the open space adjacent Woodchurch and Pavilion Road. The notice board would be used to promote local sporting clubs that use the open space.

The same area is lacking in seating for visitors, young people and dog walkers alike. The intention is to purchase 4 x eco benches to place around the open space. These economical benches are made from recycled materials and are supplied fully assembled for ease and immediate use. Weather and vandal resistant, its low-maintenance designs suit parks, nature reserves and other open spaces accessible to the public.

**Schedule of Work.**

- 1. 3 bay, single-sided, A1, A-Multi Decorative aluminium noticeboard, (Ref: AF30MD/TA11G).**



- Notice board has 3 bays with an overall dimension of 2250mm wide x 1050mm high.
- This does not include the posts that are concreted below ground level.
- Contractor would be engaged to collect the noticeboard and install at agreed location.
- There are two posts that require concreting into the ground. The posts will be concreted approximately 600mm (24") into the ground.
- The decorative aluminium posts then slide into the two sockets at each end of the board which are then fastened.

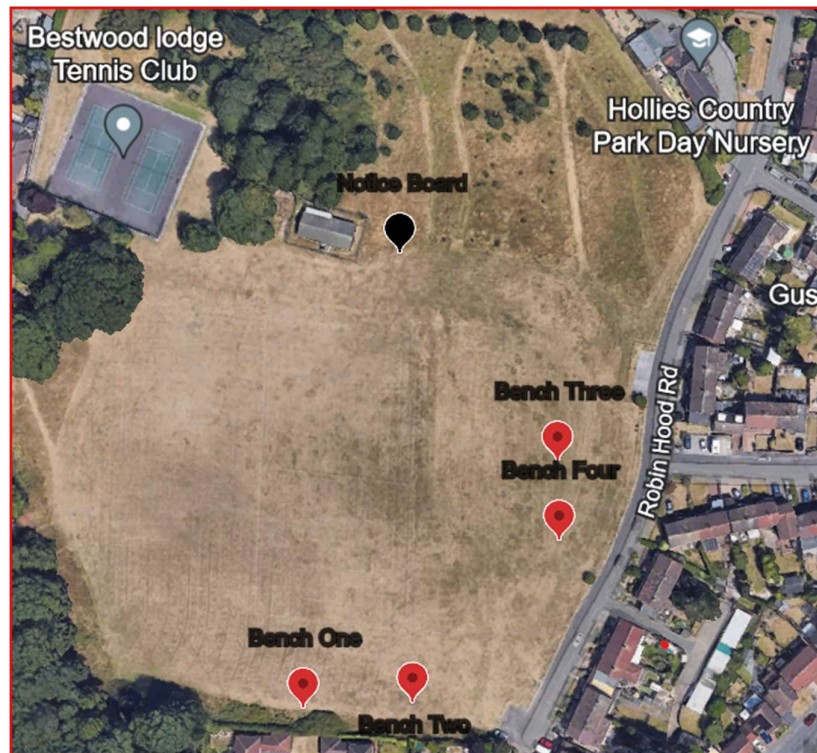
## **2. Eco-Rest Benches.**



- Each bench is 1790mm wide and 410mm in depth.
  - Seat height 422mm.
  - Design is made with environmentally friendly recycled material.
  - Weather resistant – will not rot.
  - Integrally coloured brown EnviroPro material slats [recycled plastic].
  - Vandall resistant design.
  - Tamper resistant fixings prevent removal of slats.
- Supplied fully assembled ready for installation.

## **Location.**

Below image shows the location of the four benches and notice board on the open space. This is the ground adjacent Woodchurch, Pavilion and Robin Hood Road.



### **Consultation.**

The proposal and installation of this street furniture is subject to permission being granted by the land owner, Gedling Borough Council.

Gedling Borough Council, Legal department would need to agree a licence for work and the on-going maintenance of the street furniture.

Consultation required with residents directly located where proposed placement of benches would be located. This would be in respect to an increase in anti-social behaviour and complaints.

**Cost.**

Eco-Rest bench in Brown	£384.84	to include ground anchor kit
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Three bay Notice Board	£0.00	Purchased in storage
Labour & materials	£700.00	Collection, installation and ground work
	£2,239.36	
<b>less VAT @20%</b>	<b>£1,791.49</b>	

**Recommendation:**

Consultation to be completed with immediate residents to Pavilion Road, Robin Hood Road and Roebuck Close.

Seek agreement with Gedling Borough Council.

St. Albans Parish Council to agree in principle, subject to satisfactory outcome of above, to allocate funding as requested.