

Appendix RR.

Background or 'Project Specifics' – Application MF099/T2

Supply and installation of 3.no benches to Llandarcy village, Coedffranc West.

The funding will be used to procure three recycled plastic benches along with the necessary fixtures and fittings. The benches will be installed by the NPTCBC 'Street Care' team onto existing concrete plinths, thus negating the need for expensive ground works.

The need for this initiative has come to the attention of the local Ward Member. Strategically placed benches which residents and visitors can use to relax, socialise and enjoy have been identified as a local priority especially with the importance to meeting outdoors during a pandemic. This project will enhance the public realm and replace benches that have been damaged.

The community benefits associated with this project include enhancing the street scene in Llandarcy, resulting in greater and improved public enjoyment.

This bid has been developed to 'Enhance Existing Council Services' and has the full support of NPTCBC's 'Street Care' Services. The benches will be of robust construction, comprised of 100% recycled plastic so they will not rot, splinter or crack. They are very durable and can stand up to any attempts made to vandalise or destroy them. Minimal maintenance is required to keep them in good condition.

Recommendations

The total request for grant aid from the Members Community Fund is £1,279.59, which is the full cost of procuring and installing the benches. The applicant, Councillor Helen Ceri Clarke, would wish to fund the cost of the proposal out of her Members Fund allocation.

The project proposal is recommended for approval and financial support under the Members Community Fund.