

Monk Hesleden Parish Council

Public Seating Donation Policy

Introduction

One way to remember the life of a friend after their death is through the arrangement of a long-standing tribute, a reminder they are not forgotten. A memorial seat has always been a popular choice.

1. Proposals for donations of seating must be for a specific and identified area within the villages of Blackhall Colliery, Blackhall Rocks, Crimdon, Hesleden, High Hesleden, Monk Hesleden and be made to the Parish Clerk.
2. The Parish Council will make the final as to where the seat can be located
3. The style of any seating installed will be in line with styles in use in the Parish at the time of the donation, details and costs will be provided by the Parish Council
4. Seats can be dedicated, at the donor's expense with an engraved plaque, if a dedication becomes vandalised or goes missing it will be the responsibility of the person who donated to make good or replace. The wording of the dedication will need to be approved by the Parish Council to ensure that it is appropriate for a public space.
5. The Parish Council will not be responsible for replacement of the seat if it becomes damaged or vandalised
6. The seat will be delivered to the Parish Council's premises for staff to be installed at the agreed location, the cost of providing a concrete base and the installation of the seat is £150
7. Donated seats will only be maintained by the Parish Council for a period of ten years. After ten years the donor will be contacted to renew their donation by way of a new seat or to have the existing seat refurbished for a further five-year period. If no contact is made after six months the seat will become the property of the Parish Council. All public seating is covered under the Parish Council's insurance policy. If a seat is deemed in a dangerous state of repair it will be removed immediately for health and safety reasons and where possible the donor contacted.

For further information, please contact the Parish Council

