

Replacement and treatment of seats

Quotations for the cost of new seats

1. I have approached four companies for quotations for new seats. I have sought prices for seats either the same as, or broadly comparable to, the last new seats which were purchased (i.e. made from recycled plastic with price to include delivery, installation and removal of the old seats).
2. The four companies approached were:
 - Green Scheme Solutions (who supplied and installed the last set of seats);
Product = Chelsea seat)
Price for three seats (to include delivery, installation and removal of old seats)
= £3,306 + VAT.
For an additional seat = £750 + VAT
To this information they added "When comparing quotes on recycled plastic benches, it may be worth noting that hardly any benches are offered with steel reinforced profiles and without such reinforcement some plastic benches can sag and look unsightly over time. The Chelsea bench has reinforced profiles to mitigate against this."
 - NBB Recycled Furniture; product = Chichester seat. They are only able to provide installation if you purchase more than 50 items so I have discounted them.
 - KBS Depot; product = Heavy Duty Backed seat
 - Advanced Scape; they advise that "due to the shortage of raw material coming into the UK, these items are on roughly a 16 week lead time. This situation could improve over the coming weeks, but this at present is worst case scenario."
Product option 1 = Cornwall Seat (there are currently 3 available from stock for immediate delivery), a 4th bench would be on the lead time quoted above
@ £495.00each
Carriage @ £125.00 (for the 3 seats)
Total for three seats = £1,610
Total for four seats = £2,105
Product option 2 = Piccadilly Seat – based on 4 new build seats @ £390.00 each, delivery @ £125.00 for the four seats
Total for four seats = £1685

Installation would be priced separately by an independent contractor (they can recommend companies to do this). Looking back at figures obtained when the last seats were installed, I reckon that installation costs run at a minimum of as much as the seat itself costs so for comparison purposes I think the figures in this quote can be doubled.

Quotations for treating the existing seats

As ever, finding local contractors to do this kind of task is not proving easy. I have so far approached three people who have either worked for the Parish Council before or who advertise in Compass.

I have heard back from them all but at the moment I am still awaiting their actual quotes. The first said he could do the job but would be unable to give a quote for about six weeks. The second no longer lives in Broadmayne and would only be able to do the job after October and so far hasn't provided a quote. This is the person who refurbished the seats in 2017. The cost then was approximately £97 per seat. I have sent the third a reminder.

A decision on the refurbishment of the seats will therefore have to wait until at least the September meeting.

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