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PRESS RELEASE

Provision of new public seats in Helston

This pilot project is designed as an interim measure to provide much-needed public seating whilst Public Realm consultation takes place of other schemes for the town centre.

The pilot will identify: whether the locations of the 13 new benches are correct or not (it had been hoped to site more on the sunnier side of Coinagehall Street, but narrow pavements and being mindful not to obstruct the windows of businesses, has meant that it has not been possible at this time); what usage they get; and what the ultimate aims are regarding design etc. With that, and economic constraints in mind, plain, basic maintenance-free benches have been sourced which could, ultimately, be relocated to more outlying areas of the town and play parks. They have been purchased in black to be more in-keeping with the other street furniture and will have an official Helston Town Council logo added at a later date.

Town Mayor - Cllr Jonathan Radford-Gaby said “I am very pleased to see the benches project come to fruition in the town centre. Hopefully this will encourage the less able bodied among us to come into town, knowing that they will be able to sit down if they need to, to break their journey. I would like to thank the Amenities Committee for their hard work in getting this project over the line.”

Chair of the Amenities Committee – Cllr Miss Justine Hornsby added “The Town asked for more benches and Helston Town Council has provided them! I'm delighted to see the new benches in situ & have personally enjoyed using them to watch the world go by.”

Note for Editors: If further details are required please contact the Town Clerk on 01326 572063