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<p>(1) Topic (one sentence description of the decision being sought)</p> <p>(2) Who will take decision</p> <p>(3) Give date or period within which decision is to be taken</p> <p>(4) Directorate contact (include e-mail and telephone)</p>	<p>(5) Principal Groups/Organisations to be consulted before decision is made</p> <p>(6) Method of consultation (external only [if applicable])</p>	<p>(7) Name of person(s) to whom representations can be made (e-mail/telephone)</p> <p>(8) When should they be made by (closing date)</p>	<p>(9) List background documents submitted to Cabinet/Cabinet Member in respect of the decision</p> <p>(10) Is this information unrestricted or exempt?</p> <p>(11) Date first entered in Notice</p>
<p>KEY 51/24/25</p> <p>(1) Proposals for the re-introduction of a memorial bench scheme</p> <p>(2) Cabinet</p> <p>(3) 3 February 2025</p> <p>(4) Emma-Jane Allen, Head of Parks, Open Spaces and Countryside - <a href="mailto:emma.allen@dover.gov.uk">emma.allen@dover.gov.uk</a>; 01304 872120</p>	<p>(5) Elected members. Various sections within DDC including Property Assets. Proposals have been developed following receipt of numerous requests from the public.</p> <p>(6) Not applicable.</p>	<p>(7) Emma-Jane Allen - <a href="mailto:emma.allen@dover.gov.uk">emma.allen@dover.gov.uk</a>; 01304 872120</p> <p>(8) 17 January 2025</p>	<p>(9) Cabinet report and plans of proposed locations for memorial benches at the Kearsney Parks</p> <p>(10) Unrestricted</p> <p>(11) 3 January 2025</p>
<p><b>Brief Details of Item:</b> (Please provide information about the contents of this item and the reason for decision.)</p> <p>The Council receives numerous requests from residents to sponsor memorial benches, many of which seek installation within the same few areas. This has resulted in numerous memorial benches being present at a small number of sites, such as Walmer seafront, while other public open spaces are under served. In addition, a lack of clear procedures regarding the length of time for which memorial benches will remain in place, and sensitivity regarding their removal, has resulted in seating provision of varying quality. The previous memorial bench scheme was suspended in 2020 to enable a thorough review of the stock, and development of a possible new approach. This report will propose defined criteria under which the Council offers opportunities to sponsor memorial benches, beginning with specific locations at Kearsney Parks. The objective is to meet and manage demand for memorial benches, while also ensuring that maintenance standards are raised at no additional cost to the Council.</p>			
<p><b>Deadline for Item:</b> (Please indicate the date and whether this is statutory, operational or to meet the requirements of another agency.)</p> <p>To enable the Council to respond to requests received from residents, including regular visitors to the Kearsney Parks.</p>			