

Missing park benches returned

Park benches removed from Donald Fletcher Park have been reinstalled, says CôteSt.HampWest councillor Anthony Housefather.

Housefather said he received many complaints about the missing benches from residents of the Village area of the former city, as well as from the King David residence. District 4 candidate Steve Erdelyi brought up the issue at the May council meeting.

"I have succeeded in getting all the benches replaced, and there will be new

benches placed under the gazebo in the shade in the next week," Housefather said.

"The police had asked that the benches be taken away because of vandalism issues, and the public works department did it. But as a member of council, I don't support just taking benches away because of potential vandalism.

"The solution is for the public security department and the police to monitor the area more carefully and not deprive seniors or anybody else of the opportunity to sit on benches in the park." — JG ■