



WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

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COUNCIL VISION AND MISSION

Wendover is a thriving market town in which people want to live trade and visit

 Develop Community	 Enhance Environment	 Promote Prosperity	 Functioning Council
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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at 7:40pm

Wendover Community Library, High Street, Wendover, HP22 6DU

Committee Membership: Councillors Atwell, Ballantine, Coupland, Gallagher, Mackinlay, O'Donnell, Standen, Thornton, Tipper, Walsh, Washington, and Worth

To all Committee Members:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED TO ATTEND THE ABOVE-MENTIONED MEETING, WHEN IT IS PROPOSED THAT THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED SHALL BE AS SET OUT BELOW.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

AGENDA

- 1) **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** 
To consider any apologies for absence received:
- 2) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** 
In accordance with Sections 30(3) and 235(2) of the Localism Act 2011 and the Wendover Parish Council Code of Conduct Councillors with declare their interest in relation to this meeting.
- 3) **MINUTES – page 4** 
Consideration of approval of minutes of the meeting on 3rd February 2026
- 4) **CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS** 
- 5) **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - A maximum of 3 minutes per speaker will be allowed.** 
The Council is committed to community engagement and warmly invites members of the public to contribute. Members of the public should note that the Council is only allowed to take decisions on topics that are publicised on the agenda; items not on the agenda can be carried forward for a response later. Members of the public are asked to respect the fact that this is a meeting to conduct Council business and interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.

- 6) **REPORTS FROM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCIL COUNCILLORS** ●
- 7) **CLERKS REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE** – *page 9* ●
- 8) **FINANCE AND PAYMENTS** – *page 13* ●
- a) To consider the list of payments and sign cheques (these will be sent on the day of the meeting to cover as many payments as possible)
 - b) To receive the latest [I&E reports](#), [Balance Sheet](#) and [EMR reports](#) - *pages 14, 19 and 20*
 - c) To receive the latest [Flagstone](#) statement– *page 21*
 - d) To receive an [end of year projection](#) based on the current income and expenditure – *page 22*
- 9) **REPORTS FROM MEETINGS WITH OUTSIDE BODIES** ● ●
- a) **HS2 Mitigation Action Group** – *page 28*
 - b) **Wendover Youth Centre** – *page 29*
 - c) **Other Groups**
- 10) **REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND MATTERS REFERRED**
- a) **FINANCE COMMITTEE** ●
 - i) To note the draft [minutes](#) of the meeting on 17th February 2026 – *page 30*
 - ii) To approve the [year end EMR and general reserve movements](#) recommended by Finance Committee – *page 33*
 - iii) **Local Government Pension Scheme update** – *page 35*
 - iv) **Approval of Standing Grants recommended by Finance Committee** – *page 38*
 - b) **PLANNING COMMITTEE** ●
 - i) To note the draft [minutes](#) of the meeting on 17th February 2026 – *page 48*
- 11) **REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS AND MATTERS REFERRED**
- a) **Transport Working Group** ● ●
 - i) To receive an update from the working group – *page 50*
 - b) **Open spaces working group** ● ●
 - i) To receive an update from the working group
 - c) **Sustainability and Biodiversity Group** ● ●
 - i) To receive an update from the working group – *page 51*
 - d) **Strategic Planning Steering Group** ●
 - i) To receive an update from the working group
 - e) **Community Emergency Response Group** ● ●
 - i) To receive an update from the working group

12) OTHER ITEMS

a) **[Response to Bucks Local Plan Sites Survey](#)** – **page 52**   

To note the Local Plan sites survey currently being undertaken by Buckinghamshire Council. To consider the response from Wendover Parish Council and the proposed timing for further public engagement.

b) **[Proposal for Development of Wendover Link](#)** – **page 64**   

To review the *Proposal for Development of Wendover Link*, developed from the HS2 Public Meeting held in November 2025, and consider supporting the paper and continued development of proposals for the land in line with community priorities.

13) NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting will be on Tue 7th April with items for the agenda to the Clerk before Thurs 26th March (due to Easter bank holiday dates).

14) CLOSURE OF MEETING

Signed by *Andy Smith*

Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer

Date: 26/02/2026

WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

3rd February 2026 at 7:40pm

Wendover Community Library, High St, Wendover HP22 6DU

Present: Councillors Atwell, Ballantine, Coupland, Gallagher, Mackinlay, O'Donnell, Porter, Thornton, Tipper, Washington and Worth.

Chair: Councillor Gallagher

In attendance: Cllr Strachan, Cllr Field offered his apologies

Clerk: Andy Smith

Members of Public: 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

PC25/375 Cllrs Walsh, Porter and Standen offered apologies, which were accepted by the Committee.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

PC25/376 None

3. MINUTES

PC25/377 The minutes of the Parish Council of 2nd December 2025 were **RESOLVED** as a true record to be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

PC25/378 The minutes of the Extra Ordinary Parish Council of 20th January 2025 were **RESOLVED** as a true record to be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

PC25/379 The Chair thanked Kelvin Campbell for his service. Kelvin served briefly as a Parish Councillor and was passionate about Wendover. He sadly passed away over the Christmas period

PC25/380 The Chair notified council that Cllr Porter had resigned. The Chair took the opportunity to thank her for her work for the Council and the initiatives she brought.

PC25/381 The Chair highlighted that there is a lot of potholes in the road currently, and he encouraged all councillors to ensure that issues are reported via the Fix My Street system. It was noted we need to look at some of the access issues relating to the fix my street portal for people who are unfamiliar with computer-based reporting systems.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PC25/382 A member of the public thanked the Council for adding Armed Forces Day to the calendar of events.

PC25/383 A member of the public asked about the Tommy being replaced in the Community Orchard and it was noted that the rain was hindering the installation of the concrete base. It was noted we are looking at uplighter options

6. REPORTS FROM BUCKINGHAMSHIRE COUNCILLORS

PC25/384 Cllr Strachan re-enforced the need to report potholes on fix my street

PC25/385 The Bucks Local Plan is reaching the next stage. The latest versions, complete with maps, will be briefed and there will be a specific town and parish council briefing. For the rest of the year there will be ongoing consultations.

PC25/386 The issue of parking in and around Wendover has been raised with Buckinghamshire Council colleagues to reach a conclusion and response.

7. CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDANCE

PC25/387 The Clerk's report was noted.

8. FINANCE AND PAYMENTS

a) Payments to consider

PC25/388 The payments to consider, totalling £34,887.45 were considered and questions answered. The payments were **RESOLVED** and signed electronically by Councillors Gallagher and Worth

b) Latest financial reports

PC25/389 The financial reports were noted.

c) Flagstone statement

PC25/390 The statement was noted.

d) End of year projection

PC25/391 The projection was considered. It was noted that there was a potential to end the year with a deficit, which would result in a modest reduction to the general reserve.

9. REPORTS FROM MEETINGS WITH OUTSIDE BODIES

a) HS2 Mitigation Action Group

PC25/392 The report was noted.

b) Library Trustees

PC25/393 The report was noted.

c) Wendover Youth Centre

PC25/394 It was noted that we were working with the youth centre to support their work and Cllr Gallagher and the Clerk are awaiting a meeting date.

d) Other Groups

PC25/395 None presented

10. REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

a) AMENITIES COMMITTEE

PC25/396 i) The minutes of the Amenities committee meeting on 20th January 2026 were noted.

b) PLANNING COMMITTEE

PC25/397 The minutes of the Planning committee meeting on 2nd December 2025 were noted

PC25/398 The minutes of the Planning committee meeting on 16th December 2025 were noted

c) STAFFING COMMITTEE

PC25/399 i) The minutes of the Staffing committee meeting on 18th November 2025 were noted.

11. REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

a) Transport Working Group

PC25/400 The report was noted. It was further noted that we are looking into supporting local groups who would like to use the HS2 land at the former cricket ground for the beekeepers and football club

b) Open Spaces Working Group

PC25/401 No update given.

c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group

PC25/402 The report was noted. It was further noted that the group are setting up a wildflower project, which will audit current wildflower areas and suggest potential new areas. This is in conjunction with the John Colet School.

d) Strategic Planning Steering Group

PC25/403 This month is when the group is scheduled to meet – any comments to the Clerk for inclusion into the discussion.

e) Community Emergency Response Group

PC25/404 No report noted

12. OTHER ITEMS

a) Streetlight Tender

PC25/405 It was **RESOLVED** to continue with the tender process with the two current tenders

PC25/406 It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the office to seek further clarifications to the tender response before making a recommendation.

PC25/407 It was **RESOLVED** that Amenities Committee would scrutinise the tenders to make a recommendation to Council

b) Meeting Dates

PC25/408 It was **RESOLVED** to set a meeting date for January and look to if it needs cancelling closer to the date when Council would know the items to be considered

PC25/409 It was **RESOLVED** to keep the April meeting date as set out, despite proximity of the Easter weekend

PC25/410 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the dates of the ordinary meetings for the forthcoming year

PC25/411 It was **RESOLVED** to approve the dates of the Annual Parish Meeting set out in the document

PC25/412 It was **RESOLVED** to authorise the Clerk to make the necessary venue bookings in line with the budget

13. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

PC25/413 The next Parish Council meeting will sit at 7.40 pm on Tuesday 3rd March at Wendover Community Library. All agenda items and papers to be with the clerk by Mon 23rd February.

14. CLOSURE OF MEETING

PC25/414 With all business having been transacted, the meeting was closed at 8:03pm

Signed by
Chair to the Parish Council

Date:

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PAYMENTS TO CONSIDER		Feb	Parish Council 3-2-2026
PC3-2-2026			
BACS			
Date	To	Amount	Payment for
04/02/2026	PawPrint	£140.40	Printer/copier costs
30/01/2026	Salaries	£10,189.22	January Salaries
30/01/2026	HMRC	£3,809.10	Tax and NI - Jan
04/02/2026	Numbers Ltd	£72.00	Payroll services
04/02/2026	BMKALC	£54.00	Local Council Explained Book
04/02/2026	Sparkx Ltd	£1,062.00	S/L Repair 23 & 111
04/02/2026	Sparkx Ltd	£540.00	Manor Waste/ site safe Testing
04/02/2026	Marley Design	£1,085.00	Web and Communications
04/02/2026	Val Mayland	£100.00	Office Clean - Jan
27/02/2026	Salaries	£10,188.82	Feb Salaries
27/02/2026	HMRC	£3,809.50	Feb Tax and NI
TOTAL BACS AMOUNT		£31,050.04	
CARD			
Date	To	Amount	Payment for
20/01/2026	Sumup	£2.60	Sumup card fees
16/01/2026	Mail Order Trees	£425.87	Trees
16/01/2026	Oakland Trading Ltd	£12.95	Tree Ties
31/01/2026	Chesham Fencing Supplies Ltd	£162.24	Tree Stakes
31/01/2026	Meadowmania	£94.98	CornField Annual Mix
04/02/2026	Gladson UK Limited	£21.10	Bollard Handle and Key
27/01/2026	Sweeneys Wendover	£4.88	Office supplies
29/01/2026	Chiltern View Nursery	£45.29	Compost & Bonemeal
30/01/2026	B&Q	£27.00	Roller tray, Brushes and filler
29/01/2026	Sweeneys Wendover	£3.00	Office supplies
26/01/2026	Amazon EU	£12.19	Gaiters leg protectors
26/01/2026	Amazon Business EU	£15.99	Chainsaw oil
26/01/2026	Amazon EU	£14.99	replacement wheelbarrow wheel
22/01/2026	Amazon Business EU	£32.99	Privacy filter screen for downstairs PC
23/01/2026	Amazon Business EU	£10.33	Green paper (finance slips)
26/01/2026	Adobe	£19.97	Acrobat Pro
TOTAL CARD AMOUNT		£906.37	
DD/SO			
Date	To	Amount	Payment for
26/01/2026	Radius UK Fuels	£67.04	Fuel Card
12/01/2026	Radius UK Fuels	£4.80	Fuelcard charges - Jan
01/01/2026	Buckinghamshire council	£98.25	Commercial Waste Collection Nov 25
30/01/2026	Smart Pensions	£1,119.78	Jan Pension Contributions
31/01/2026	Sidleys	£135.00	Garage rental - Jan 26
02/02/2026	Radius UK Fuels	£4.80	Fuelcard charges - Feb
16/02/2026	British Gas	£53.34	Site Safe Elec
16/02/2026	British Gas	£280.51	Clock Tower Elec
16/02/2026	British Gas	£47.74	Manor waste elec
27/02/2026	Smart Pensions	£1,119.78	Feb Smart Pensions
TOTAL DD & SO		£2,931.04	
TOTAL PAYMENTS		£34,887.45	SIGNED BY COUNCILLORS:



ITEM 7 – CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Action List

The action list below shows all open and new actions since the first Council meeting of the new Council in May 2025



Date	Code	Heading	Description	Action	Owner	Status	update notes
02/09/2025	PC25/218	a) Monthly Sunday Market	PC25/218 The members of the public gave their views. The comments were considered by the Council. The councillors asked clarifications on the comments given by the members of the public. It was noted that marketing costs for any market are vital and these would need to be supported from the pitch fees.	review how market can work with high street retailers, review local demand for a Sunday market identify a clear alternative business proposal for consideration	Amenities	In progress	trying to get a meeting with locals who expressed an interest in running a market
06/05/2025	PC25/009	8. CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDANCE	PC25/009 The Clerks report was noted and the Clerk answered questions from the councillors. The Chair highlighted the valuation report from the Pension Scheme and Council will need to decide on this issue in the coming year. It was noted that we have appointed the admin role.	Research into costs and benefits of options relating to LGPS to be brought to Finance Committee	Chair	In progress	Information has been presented to Finance Committee and needs to be considered further for a final decision
05/08/2025	PC25/147	4. CHAIR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS	PC25/147 A request has been made to have a hedge along the front of Ashbrook Park by the roadside. This has previously been rejected by Council, but will be looked into and taken to Amenities.	Review practicalities of a hedge and bring any recommendations to Amenities	Chair	ongoing	The grounds staff are looking into a low level flower/strub/wildflower strip
01/07/2025	PC25/141	b) To consider land issues	PC25/141 The Parish Council considered the paper outlining land important to Wendover to preserve and enhance the local amenity. It was RESOLVED to authorise the Chair and Office to progress the discussions to formulate proposals for council to consider	Progress discussions to secure land for the benefit of the community and bring proposals back to Council	Chair/Clerk	ongoing	Discussions with Bucks Council are ongoing
05/08/2025	PC25/152	5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	PC25/152 A member of the public asked how the new engagement strategy announced in Aug24 was progressing.	Review engagement strategy	Chair/Clerk	Concern	to be considered as an enabler as a part of new strategy and to incorporate networks created as a part of the community emergency plan
06/05/2025	PC25/016	f) review of bank signatories	PC25/016 It was RESOLVED to amend the proposal to add 3 signatories to the account rather than 2.	Add 3 new signatories to bank account	Clerk	Concern	Bank has been instructed but signatories still not set up. Paper process now initiated
03/06/2025	PC25/097	b) To consider the co-option of new Councillors	PC25/097 Each of the candidates was considered in turn and each candidate was RESOLVED unanimously to be co-opted onto Council	Inform candidates of vote and schedule induction and a council mentor	Clerk	In progress	Still need to identify mentors
01/07/2025	PC25/129	a) Installing a visitor information sign	PC25/129 It was RESOLVED to discuss future costs with the Wendover Society	Set out future costs of keeping board up to date and bring a proposal around moving other notice board	Clerk	ongoing	Looking at working out a proposal for future costs
02/09/2025	PC25/228	c) Local Plan Consultation	PC25/228 It was RESOLVED to authorise a budget of £500 for an event to come out of Minor Grants Budget 4611 under the power of s137 Local Government Act 1972	Set up working group and book venue and publicise	Clerk	In progress	Met and started planning for a response, Looking to meet at 19 or 20 March
07/10/2025	PC25/286	It was RESOLVED to authorise the office to produce the sign artwork and purchase the sign with correct fixings.	PC25/286 It was noted that the Council thanked Sweeneys and Wendover Football Club for their contribution and support towards this project.	produce sign for memorial case	Clerk	Concern	Sign in design
07/10/2025	PC25/281	It was RESOLVED to submit the feedback on the current stage of the local plan consultation as set out in this paper.	PC25/281 It was RESOLVED to authorise the office and Chair to engage with other local Parish Councils on submitting a combined response to the final draft of the local plan.	Engage with other local councils to look into a combined response	clerk/chair	In progress	Meetings ongoing
04/11/2025	PC25/313	e) Community Emergency Response Group	PC25/313 Councillors who live in areas with street WhatsApp groups to feed them through to Cllr Walsh to add to our contacts list.	All Councillors to feed Whatsapp groups through Cllr Walsh	Clerk/Cllr Walsh	In progress	
03/06/2025	PC25/086	d) Strategic Planning Steering Group	PC25/086 There is a draft of the future direction of Council and headline projects for the next 10 years that will be worked up and brought to Council.	headline projects and 10 year plan worked into a paper for consideration	Cllr O'Donnell/Cllr Atwell	In progress	Awaiting feedback



03/06/2025	PC25/085	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	PC25/085 Met with the CLAW group to gain their support and review the 5 year strategy. Also discussed support from High St and a meeting with the Chair of other local Parish Councils and their works on sustainability	Review 5 year sustainability strategy	Clr Tipper	ongoing	Actions reviewed with Clerk and new action list agreed
01/07/2025	PC25/107	5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	PC25/107 A member of the public highlighted increasing parking issues on the Aylesbury Road by the Health Centre. The Chair updated the member of the public that we had brought the issue to the attention of Buckinghamshire Council and are trying to work through solutions.	To be discussed by the Transport Working Group	Clr Tipper	ongoing	Meetings continue to resolve Wendover parking issues
05/08/2025	PC25/169	a) Transport Working Group	PC25/169 It was RESOLVED to lobby Buckinghamshire Council for a zebra crossing	Lobby Buckinghamshire council for zebra crossing	Clr Tipper	ongoing	
05/08/2025	PC25/170	a) Transport Working Group	PC25/170 It was RESOLVED to authorise the Transport Working Group to Lobby Bucks Council to install bollards and a keep clear zone as set out in the paper.	Ensure bollards are installed on school campus	Clr Tipper	In progress	Grant request approved. Now awaiting installation
05/08/2025	PC25/171	a) Transport Working Group	PC25/171 iii) works on Hale Ln – It was RESOLVED to authorise the Transport Working Group to lobby Buckinghamshire Council to halt current works on Hale Lane and to undertake further consultations with residents.	Lobby Buckinghamshire council to drop current yellow line plans	Clr Tipper	ongoing	In negotiations with Bucks Council
05/08/2025	PC25/176	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	PC25/176 ii) Consultation on street lights – It was noted that the questions offer similar options. There is a lot of care in how the questions are put to the community. Clr Thornton volunteered to help on the wording of the questions. It was noted that the consultation will have links to evidence.	progress the streetlight consultation	Clr Tipper/Clerk	In progress	Consultation under way - awaiting final results and costings
07/10/2025	PC25/273	e) Purchase of Tommies	PC25/273 It was RESOLVED to accept the expenditure of up to £600.00 to the replace and install the Tommy.	Purchase and install Tommy	Estates	In progress	Tommy purchased awaiting specific fixings for base and suitable weather
01/07/2025	PC25/127	a) Installing a visitor information sign on the Manor Waste	PC25/127 The paper was discussed and it was. It was RESOLVED to approve the location of the board	Get quotes for install and work with Wendover Society to install	Office	In progress	To be installed after the Christmas event
05/08/2025	PC25/151	5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	PC25/151 A member of the public asked if the Council could have an armed forces day in the armed forces week.	review events programme to include Armed Forces Week	Office	In progress	to be considered by events working group - now scheduled
05/08/2025	PC25/185	12 c) Local Markets	PC25/185 It was RESOLVED to accept the proposal and authorise the office to proceed with a trial of the Sunday market at the agreed charges	undertake the implementation of the new market	office	In progress	This decision is up for review at the Sep full council and we are now reviewing the feedback from the community regarding a new Sunday market
02/09/2025	PC25/213	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	PC25/213 i) – The group has met and discussed the eco audit. A new list of actions, to get us back on track with the outstanding issues has been made and the group will be working with the Clerk to deliver.	progress outstanding actions on eco audit	SBG	In progress	



32/09/2025	PC25/215	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	It was RESOLVED to authorise the group to make funding bids for up to £20,000 to install a borehole in Hampden Pond. It was noted that Cllr Porter objected to the proposal.	make funding bids for the installation of a borehole at Hampden Pond and bring a full proposal back to full council	SBG	In progress	Funding has been awarded and now need to start plans
34/11/2025	PC25/321	c) Mid Bucks Bee Keepers Site in Wendover	It was RESOLVED to authorise the council to support this group and create an informal working group to support the bee keepers.	Create a working group to develop a proposal to support the bee keepers	SBWG	ongoing	
37/10/2025	PC25/257	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	It was RESOLVED to approve the budget request of up to £2000 (to come from Transport Working Group EMR 359) for a Highways Consultant to assist.	Transport working group to organise a Highways Consultant to review Ellesborough Rd reinstatement	SWG	In progress	
32/09/2025	PC25/211	a) Transport working group	iv) Hale Lane Road Markings – It was RESOLVED to approve the costs of £400.00 in order to design, print and deliver the AS card to every Wendover Resident in a consultation about the Hale Lane parking and line markings	Undertake survey of Hale Lane	TWG	In progress	
32/12/2025	PC25/355	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	The update was noted. It was noted that there were a lot of responses to the streetlight consultation, which would be discussed when the data is analysed.	Analysis of data to be issued to Council	SBWG	In progress	Looking at costings
32/12/2025	PC25/359	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	It was RESOLVED to draft a contract and terms of reference for circulation and comment by Councillors for approval at the next meeting.	Draft a contract/TOR or equivalent for Parish Council to consider	SBWG	new	Detailed pack presented to EO parish Council
32/12/2025	PC25/361	c) Sustainability and Biodiversity Group	It was RESOLVED to obtain a quote solely from the WPC streetlights supplier for the connection to the electrical supply from the nearby lamppost	Obtain the quote	Clerk	new	Under way
30/01/2026	PC25/380	a) Hampden Pond Borehole	It was RESOLVED to award the contract from the quotes provided to Contractor One and ask them to start works in line with their timetable.	Award contract and have pre start meeting on site to ensure the works progress in line with expectations. Monitor works to project completion	Clerk	ongoing	Pre start meeting held 23/1/26
33/02/2026	PC25/394	c) Wendover Youth Centre	It was noted that we were working with the youth centre to support their work and Cllr Gallagher and the Clerk are awaiting a meeting date.	Meet with WYC and understand current situation	clerk/chair	new	
33/02/2026	PC25/406	a) Streetlight Tender	It was RESOLVED to authorise the office to seek further clarifications to the tender response before making a recommendation.	Inform tenders the current situation and ask for follow up clarifications	Clerk/SBWG	new	
33/02/2026	PC25/412	b) Meeting Dates	It was RESOLVED to authorise the Clerk to make the necessary venue bookings in line with the budget	Make bookings for future meetings	Clerk	new	



ITEM 8 – FINANCE REPORTS

The accounts presented show the state as at end of 24/02/2025 but does include salary costs so represents a reasonable picture of where we are at the end of month 10.

The [year end projection](#) (8d) shows our general reserve if Council adopts the movements recommended by finance



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Detailed Income & Expenditure by Budget Heading 24/02/2026

Month No: 11

Cost Centre Report

	Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
100 Amenities Income								
1000 Allotment Rent	0	1,157	1,630	473			71.0%	
1005 Charter Fair	0	275	220	(55)			125.0%	
1010 Cricket Club Lease	0	350	300	(50)			116.7%	
1021 Markets - Local Produce	0	1,593	1,260	(333)			126.4%	
1022 Markets - Weekly Market	0	6,318	10,660	4,342			59.3%	
1030 Other Rental (Ashbrook)	0	1,695	2,045	350			82.9%	
1035 BCC Devolved Footpaths Income	0	17,452	19,000	1,548			91.9%	
1214 Christmas Trees	0	1,650	2,000	350			82.5%	
1260 Xmas event income	0	444	500	57			88.7%	
1261 Rifle Club Lease	0	0	100	100			0.0%	
1262 Fundraising income	0	82,422	500	(81,922)			16484.3%	81,250
1263 Event income (stalls etc)	0	513	400	(113)			128.2%	
Amenities Income :- Income	0	113,867	38,615	(75,252)			294.9%	81,250
Net Income	0	113,867	38,615	(75,252)				
6001 less Transfer to EMR	0	81,250	0	(81,250)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	32,617	38,615	5,998				
125 Events Expenditure								
4100 AnnualParishMeeting excl refs	0	266	500	234		234	53.3%	
4105 Christmas Decorations	0	5,226	8,500	3,274		3,274	61.5%	
4109 Promo Materials	0	1,275	1,000	(275)		(275)	127.5%	
4110 Entertainment & Events	23	4,851	5,000	149		149	97.0%	
4111 RAF/Remembrance Parade	0	40	500	460		460	8.0%	
4112 Floral Display	0	5,724	6,500	776		776	88.1%	
4113 HS2 Public Meeting	0	538	500	(38)		(38)	107.5%	
4122 Markets - Local Produce	0	90	500	410		410	18.0%	
4124 Markets - Business Rates	0	898	1,050	152		152	85.5%	
4126 Markets - Electric	45	335	380	45		45	88.1%	
4130 Quiz	0	0	800	800		800	0.0%	
4132 Christmas Celebration Event	0	2,291	2,750	459		459	83.3%	
Events Expenditure :- Indirect Expenditure	68	21,535	27,980	6,445	0	6,445	77.0%	0
Net Expenditure	(68)	(21,535)	(27,980)	(6,445)				
130 Highways Expenditure								
4200 Bus Shelters	0	0	4,000	4,000		4,000	0.0%	
4210 Refuse Bins	0	0	500	500		500	0.0%	
4211 Sever weather (salt etc)	0	270	500	230		230	54.0%	

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	Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
4215 Street Furniture - Purchase	0	0	1,000	1,000		1,000	0.0%	
Highways Expenditure :- Indirect Expenditure	0	270	6,000	5,730	0	5,730	4.5%	0
Net Expenditure	0	(270)	(6,000)	(5,730)				
<u>135 Street Lighting Expenditure</u>								
4300 Electricity	1,383	9,387	13,000	3,613		3,613	72.2%	
4305 Maintenance	1,162	16,369	15,000	(1,369)		(1,369)	109.1%	
4315 New Columns (not LEDs)	0	0	7,000	7,000		7,000	0.0%	
4320 Streetlighting Inspections	0	0	1,500	1,500		1,500	0.0%	
Street Lighting Expenditure :- Indirect Expenditure	2,544	25,756	36,500	10,744	0	10,744	70.6%	0
Net Expenditure	(2,544)	(25,756)	(36,500)	(10,744)				
<u>140 Recreation Expenditure</u>								
4400 Dog Bin Emptying	2,423	2,423	2,600	178		178	93.2%	
4405 Maintenance - Open spaces F&F	39	3,744	7,000	3,256		3,256	53.5%	
4406 Maintenance - footpaths	0	1,445	2,000	555		555	72.3%	
4410 Maintenance - Groundworks	524	7,335	19,500	12,165		12,165	37.6%	
4415 Maintenance - Inspections, etc	0	3,351	2,800	(551)		(551)	119.7%	
4416 Pond Works	0	0	1,500	1,500		1,500	0.0%	
4417 Tree Works	0	500	6,000	5,500		5,500	8.3%	
4421 Orchard Maintenance	0	1,493	750	(743)		(743)	199.1%	
4425 Capital Expenditure (asset pur	490	38,307	11,000	(27,307)		(27,307)	348.2%	
4426 Estates vehicle lease	12	490	4,440	3,950		3,950	11.0%	
4430 Mower Maintenance	0	959	2,500	1,541		1,541	38.3%	
4435 Play Equipment - Purchase	0	42,600	30,000	(12,600)		(12,600)	142.0%	
4440 Play Equip - Repairs & Maint	0	6,687	3,000	(3,687)		(3,687)	222.9%	
4450 Premises - Garage Rent	135	1,350	1,620	270		270	83.3%	
4455 Premises - SiteSafe Electrics	51	297	300	3		3	99.0%	
4465 Premises - SiteSafe Water, etc	16	163	300	137		137	54.2%	
4475 Misc - Fuel	49	2,140	3,200	1,060		1,060	66.9%	
4480 Misc - Materials & Tools	27	2,920	2,500	(420)		(420)	116.8%	
4481 Machinery/Tool Service Repair	0	212	2,500	2,288		2,288	8.5%	
4485 Misc - Protective Clothing	0	542	750	208		208	72.2%	
4490 Misc - Refuse Bins	89	1,376	1,300	(76)		(76)	105.8%	
4495 Misc - Sundries Recreation	0	198	500	302		302	39.6%	
4497 Defibrillators	11	485	500	15		15	97.0%	
Recreation Expenditure :- Indirect Expenditure	3,865	119,015	106,560	(12,455)	0	(12,455)	111.7%	0
Net Expenditure	(3,865)	(119,015)	(106,560)	12,455				

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	Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
200 Finance & General Income								
1205	0	204	400	196			51.1%	
1210	0	10,442	11,000	558			94.9%	
1215	0	0	600	600			0.0%	
1250	0	413,882	413,882	(0)			100.0%	
1266	0	325	1,000	675			32.5%	
Finance & General Income :- Income	0	424,853	426,882	2,029			99.5%	0
Net Income	0	424,853	426,882	2,029				
220 Finance & General Expenditure								
4496	0	2,243	2,000	(243)		(243)	112.1%	
4550	131	5,163	6,500	1,337		1,337	79.4%	
4555	954	2,471	3,000	529		529	82.4%	
4560	9	114	600	486		486	19.1%	
4565	0	431	2,300	1,869		1,869	18.7%	
4570	0	0	2,000	2,000		2,000	0.0%	
4575	0	6,296	7,950	1,654		1,654	79.2%	
4580	0	2,135	800	(1,335)		(1,335)	266.9%	
4615	151	1,902	1,750	(152)		(152)	108.7%	
4620	117	1,053	1,500	447		447	70.2%	
4621	372	4,240	3,000	(1,240)		(1,240)	141.3%	
4625	0	1,168	1,000	(168)		(168)	116.8%	
4630	0	327	400	73		73	81.7%	
4640	0	0	100	100		100	0.0%	
4645	0	0	300	300		300	0.0%	
4650	267	2,017	2,800	783		783	72.0%	
4655	18	303	150	(153)		(153)	201.8%	
4660	329	1,869	2,500	631		631	74.8%	
4665	225	225	1,000	775		775	22.5%	
4670	225	595	1,000	405		405	59.5%	
4675	0	5,105	500	(4,605)		(4,605)	1021.0%	
4685	288	1,864	2,250	386		386	82.8%	
4690	0	744	1,200	456		456	62.0%	
4691	0	0	100	100		100	0.0%	
4695	22	354	1,200	846		846	29.5%	
4700	52	649	500	(149)		(149)	129.8%	
4705	0	0	200	200		200	0.0%	
4706	0	2,286	3,000	714		714	76.2%	
4707	57	227	2,000	1,773		1,773	11.4%	
Finance & General Expenditure :- Indirect Expenditure	3,217	43,780	51,600	7,820	0	7,820	84.8%	0
Net Expenditure	(3,217)	(43,780)	(51,600)	(7,820)				

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	Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
230 Grants out								
4585 Grant - Churchyard - not S137	0	7,500	7,500	0		0	100.0%	
4586 Grant - Youth Centre -not S137	0	7,000	7,500	500		500	93.3%	
4591 Grants Out - Major - not S137	0	0	10,000	10,000		10,000	0.0%	
4613 Grants Out - Minor - not S137	987	2,294	2,000	(294)		(294)	114.7%	358
Grants out :- Indirect Expenditure	987	16,794	27,000	10,206	0	10,206	62.2%	358
Net Expenditure	(987)	(16,794)	(27,000)	(10,206)				
6000 plus Transfer From EMR	0	358	0	(358)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(987)	(16,436)	(27,000)	(10,564)				
235 S137 Expenditure								
4606 Grants Out - Major S137	0	7,080	5,000	(2,080)		(2,080)	141.6%	
4607 Grants Out - Minor S137	0	1,500	3,000	1,500		1,500	50.0%	
S137 Expenditure :- Indirect Expenditure	0	8,580	8,000	(580)	0	(580)	107.2%	0
Net Expenditure	0	(8,580)	(8,000)	580				
320 Staffing								
4800 Staffing - Amenities - Wages	5,095	57,617	61,457	3,840		3,840	93.8%	
4801 Staffing - Amenities - NIC	639	6,932	7,165	233		233	96.7%	
4802 Staffing - Amenities-Pension	203	2,312	3,466	1,154		1,154	66.7%	
4810 Staffing - F&G - Wages	7,763	85,047	95,824	10,777		10,777	88.8%	
4811 Staffing - F&G - NIC	988	10,942	11,169	227		227	98.0%	
4812 Staffing - F&G - Pension	357	3,941	13,476	9,535		9,535	29.2%	
4816 Staffing F&G Student Loan	73	889	1,200	311		311	74.1%	
4845 Payroll Charges	60	600	800	200		200	75.0%	
4855 HR Consultancy Fees	0	2,284	2,500	216		216	91.4%	
4860 Training Staff & Cllrs	54	1,544	3,500	1,956		1,956	44.1%	
4861 Uniform	0	776	1,000	224		224	77.6%	
4862 Smart Pension Admin Fee	26	268	300	32		32	89.5%	
Staffing :- Indirect Expenditure	15,259	173,153	201,857	28,704	0	28,704	85.8%	0
Net Expenditure	(15,259)	(173,153)	(201,857)	(28,704)				
980 Amenities EMR projects								
9108 EMR - Skate Park	0	122,713	0	(122,713)		(122,713)	0.0%	122,713
Amenities EMR projects :- Indirect Expenditure	0	122,713	0	(122,713)	0	(122,713)		122,713
Net Expenditure	0	(122,713)	0	122,713				
6000 plus Transfer From EMR	0	122,713	0	(122,713)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	0	0	0	0				

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	Actual Current Mth	Actual Year To Date	Current Annual Bud	Variance Annual Total	Committed Expenditure	Funds Available	% Spent	Transfer to/from EMR
Grand Totals:- Income	0	538,721	465,497	(73,224)			115.7%	
Expenditure	25,939	531,596	465,497	(66,099)	0	(66,099)	114.2%	
Net Income over Expenditure	(25,939)	7,125	0	(7,125)				
plus Transfer From EMR	0	123,071	0	(123,071)				
less Transfer to EMR	0	81,250	0	(81,250)				
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	(25,939)	48,946	0	(48,946)				



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Detailed Balance Sheet - Excluding Stock Movement

Month 11 Date 24/02/2026

<u>A/c</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Actual</u>	
<u>Current Assets</u>			
105	VAT Control A/c	10,586	
200	Current Bank Account	7,892	
202	Flagstone	320,519	
	Total Current Assets		338,997
<u>Current Liabilities</u>			
515	Allotment Deposits	1,960	
	Total Current Liabilities		1,960
	Net Current Assets		337,037
Total Assets less Current Liabilities			337,037
<u>Represented by :-</u>			
300	Current Year Fund	19,360	
310	General Reserves	233,750	
336	Estates equipment replace EMR	2,000	
356	LGPS Cessation EMR	75,000	
357	Skate Park EMR	(2,713)	
359	TWG Priorities	6,250	
364	Climate Action EMR	3,391	
	Total Equity		337,037



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Earmarked Reserves

<u>Account</u>	<u>Opening Balance</u>	<u>Net Transfers</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u>
323 Playground Improvements EMR	12,235.00	-12,235.00	0.00
336 Estates equipment replace EMR	2,000.00		2,000.00
356 LGPS Cessation EMR	75,000.00		75,000.00
357 Skate Park EMR	40,000.00	-42,713.33	-2,713.33
359 TWG Priorities	5,000.00	1,250.00	6,250.00
364 Climate Action EMR	3,748.12	-357.55	3,390.57
	<u>137,983.12</u>	<u>-54,055.88</u>	<u>83,927.24</u>



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SAVINGS ACCOUNTS STATEMENT

Summary from 01 November 2025 to 31 January 2026

£30,000.00 Holding account balance <small>(as at 31 January 2026)</small>	£320,518.64 Savings accounts balance <small>(as at 31 January 2026)</small>	£2,972.67 Total interest paid <small>(from 01 November 2025 to 31 January 2026)</small>	£481.07 Total interest unpaid <small>(from 01 November 2025 to 31 January 2026)</small>
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Bank name	Account type	Account status <small>(as at 31 January 2026)</small>	Unpaid interest (1)	Paid interest (2)	Savings accounts balance <small>(as at 31 January 2026)</small>
Hampshire Trust Bank	Instant access	Active	£0.00	£460.91	£50,342.06
HSBC	Instant access	Active	£7.85	£737.66	£81,175.85
UBL UK	Instant access	Active	£152.34	£373.18	£50,196.15
OakNorth	Instant access	Active	£137.22	£373.60	£49,395.60
OakNorth	Notice 95 days	Active	£104.20	£334.63	£33,363.85
Aldermore	Instant access	Active	£5.03	£460.66	£50,654.71
Griffin Bank	Instant access	Active	£74.43	£232.03	£5,390.42

(1) Unpaid interest is indicative and may vary when it is credited to your account. We refer to unpaid interest as 'profit' for Sharia bank accounts.

(2) We refer to paid interest as 'profit' for Sharia bank accounts



ITEM 8d – YEAR END I&E PROJECTIONS

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Forecast made on current YTD figures for month 11

	Actual		Budget		Forecast		Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr	YTD	Annual	Variance	Extrapolate	Clerk	
100 Amenities Income							
1000 Allotment Rent	1,291	1,157	1,630	473	1,262	1,157	(473)
1005 Charter Fair	110	275	220	(55)	300	275	55
1010 Cricket Club Lease	300	350	300	(50)	382	350	50 The lease has been renegotiated at £350 per year
1021 Markets - Local Produce	1,383	1,593	1,260	(333)	1,738	1,750	490 The LPM is performing well so far and stall numbers are healthy
1022 Markets - Weekly Market	10,660	6,318	10,660	4,342	6,892	10,660	0
1030 Other Rental (Ashbrook)	2,269	1,695	2,045	350	1,849	1,900	(145) We have had a number of hires of Hampden Field
1035 BCC Devolved Footpaths Income	19,198	17,452	19,000	1,548	19,039	17,452	(1,548) As discussed there is now a new settlement and deal for dev svcs
1214 Christmas Trees	1,584	1,650	2,000	350	1,800	1,650	(350) Late income that was tfr to last years accounts in a journal
1260 Xmas event income	1,651	444	500	56	484	444	(56)
1261 Rifle Club Lease	100	0	100	100	0	100	0 Due in Oct
1262 Fundraising income	2,011	82,422	500	(81,922)	89,915	82,422	81,922 Income from Skatepark grants then tfr to Skatepark EMR
1263 Event income (stalls etc)	388	513	400	(113)	560	513	113 Picnic in park and Xmas event
AMENITIES INCOME TOTAL	40,945	113,869	38,615	(75,254)	forecast	118,673	80,058
6005 TFR to EMR	1,783	81,250				(30,900)	
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	39,162	32,619				87,773	
125 Events Expenditure							
4100 Annual Parish Meeting excl refs	257	266	500	234	290	266	(234)
4105 Christmas Decorations	5,995	5,226	8,500	3,274	5,701	8500	0
4109 Promo Materials	508	1,275	1,000	(275)	1,391	1,275	275 Money on extra signs
4110 Entertainment & Events	3,875	4,851	5,000	149	5,292	5000	0
4111 RAF/Remembrance Parade	394	40	500	460	44	40	(460)
4112 Floral Display	8,504	5,724	6,500	776	6,244	5724	(776)
4113 H52 Public Meeting	254	538	500	(38)	587	538	38
4122 Markets - Local Produce	436	90	500	410	98	90	(410)
4124 Markets - Business Rates	898	898	1,050	152	980	1050	0
4125 Markets - Water	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
4126 Markets - Electric	380	335	380	45	365	380	0
4130 Quiz	367	0	800	800	0	0	(800)
4132 Christmas Celebration Event	2,039	2,291	2,750	459	2,499	2750	0
EVENTS EXPENDITURE TOTAL	23,909	21,534	27,980	6,446	forecast	25,613	(2,367)
6006 TFR FROM EMR	0	0					
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(23,909)	(21,534)				(25,613)	



	Actual		YTD	Annual	Budget Variance	%	Explaine	Forecast Clerk	Variance	Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr									
130 Highways Expenditure										
4200 Bus Shelters	1,012	0	0	4,000	4,000	0.0%	0	0	(4,000)	repairs only - no new shelters
4210 Refuse Bins	0	0	0	500	500	0.0%	0	0	(500)	
4211 Sever weather (salt etc	0	270	270	500	230	54.0%	295	270	(230)	
4215 Street Furniture - Purchase	36	0	0	1,000	1,000	0.0%	0	800	(200)	purchase and install of tommy
HIGHWAY EXPENDITURE TOTAL	1,048	270	270	6,000	5,730	4.5%	Forecast	1,070	(4,930)	
6007 TRF FROM EMR	0	0	0							
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(1,048)	(270)	(270)						(1,070)	
135 Street Lighting Expenditure										
4300 Electricity	14,905	9,387	9,387	13,000	3,613	72.2%	10,240	12000	(1,000)	this has changed to a metered supply and has resulted in a different bill profile
4305 Maintenance	21,958	16,369	16,369	15,000	(1,369)	109.1%	17,857	20000	5,000	This is in line with current fault reports and is on par with last year but is still way
4315 New Columns (not LEDs)	0	0	0	7,000	7,000	0.0%	0	3500	(3,500)	
4320 Streetlighting inspections	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	0.0%	0	0	(1,500)	
STREET LIGHT TOTAL	36,863	25,756	25,756	36,500	10,744	70.6%	forecast	35,500	(1,000)	
6008 TRF FROM EMR	0	0	0							
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(36,863)	(25,756)	(25,756)						(35,500)	



	Actual		YTD	Annual	Budget Variance	%	Extralte	Forecast Clerk	Variance	Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr									
140 Recreation Expenditure										
4400 Dog Bin Emptying	2,423	2,423	2,423	2,600	177	93.2%	2,643	2423	(177)	We have not yet been informed of any rate rises but...
4405 Maintenance - Open spaces F&F	11,465	3,744	3,744	7,000	3,256	53.5%	4,084	4700	(2,300)	replacement dog bins and litter bins
4406 Maintenance - footpaths	0	1,445	1,445	2,000	555	72.3%	1,576	1445	(555)	
4410 Maintenance - Groundworks	6,152	7,335	7,335	19,500	12,165	37.6%	8,002	8500	(11,000)	rotovator hire, plants, topsoil (wildflower areas and strip by Ashbrook fence)
4415 Maintenance - Inspections, etc	2,316	3,351	3,351	2,800	(511)	119.7%	3,656	3850	1,050	one more inspection due
4416 Pond Works	0	0	0	1,500	1,500	0.0%	0	0	(1,500)	new budget line - tree and plant replacements coded to 4405/4410
4417 Tree Works	8,693	500	500	6,000	5,500	8.3%	545	6700	700	Works identified as part of tree survey = E2,200 south st + E3984
4421 Orchard Maintenance	1,090	1,493	1,493	750	(743)	199.1%	1,629	1493	743	orchard maintenance contract now cancelled
4425 Capital Expenditure (asset pur	922	38,307	38,307	11,000	(27,307)	348.2%	41,789	38307	27,307	vehicle purchase
4426 Estates vehicle lease	4,415	490	490	4,440	3,950	11.0%	535	490	(3,950)	
4430 Mower Maintenance	3,117	959	959	2,500	1,541	38.4%	1,046	2500	743	0 Skids need replacing and rotary blades changed
4435 Play Equipment - Purchase	0	42,600	42,600	30,000	(12,600)	142.0%	46,473	42600	12,600	
4440 Play Equip - Repairs & Maint	3,713	6,687	6,687	3,000	(3,687)	222.9%	7,295	7687	4,687	wet pour replacement included
4450 Premises - Garage Rent	1,620	1,350	1,350	1,620	270	83.3%	1,473	1620	0	
4455 Premises - SiteSafe Electrics	463	297	297	300	3	99.0%	324	312	12	
4465 Premises - SiteSafe Water, etc	111	163	163	300	137	54.3%	178	200	(100)	
4475 Misc - Fuel	3,688	2,140	2,140	3,200	1,060	66.9%	2,335	2600	(600)	
4480 Misc - Materials & Tools	1,748	2,920	2,920	2,500	(420)	116.8%	3,185	3000	500	
4481 Machinery/Tool Service Repair	384	212	212	2,500	2,288	8.5%	231	2000	(500)	annual service and maintenance of mower and cutting decks
4485 Misc - Protective Clothing	1,049	542	542	750	208	72.3%	591	750	0	
4490 Misc - Refuse Bins	1,707	1,376	1,376	1,300	(76)	105.8%	1,501	1500	200	additional collections to deal with summer
4495 Misc - Sundries Recreation	42	198	198	500	302	39.6%	216	198	(302)	
4497 Defibrillators	187	485	485	500	15	97.0%	529	1000	500	new batteries and pad after usage
9120 Strategic Community Land										
RECREATION TOTAL	55,305	119,017	119,017	106,560	(12,457)	111.7%	forecast	133,875	27,315	
6009 TFR FROM EMR	0	0	0					0		
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(55,305)	(119,017)	(119,017)					(133,875)		



	Actual		YTD	Budget		%	Expenditure	Forecast Clerk	Variance	Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr	YTD		Annual	Variance					
200 Finance & General Income										
1205 Witchell Trust Grant	266	204		400	196	51.0%	223	450	50	
1210 Interest Received ex Deposits	15,607	10,442		11,000	558	94.9%	11,391	12,500	1,500	Interest rates are lower than projected
1215 Miscellaneous Income	735	0		600	600	0.0%	0	0	(600)	
1250 Precept Received	388,445	413,882		413,882	0	100.0%	451,508	413,882	0	
1266 VAHT Streetlight Income	1,040	325		1,000	675	32.5%	355	650	(350)	
F & G INCOME TOTAL	406,093	424,853		426,882	2,029	99.5%	forecast	427,482	600	
6010 TFR to EMR	0	0						(25,000)		
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	406,093	424,853						452,482		
220 Finance & General Expenditure										
4496 Professional Support (HS2 etc)	716	2,243		2,000	(243)	112.2%	2,447	2,243	243	Ground team review/actuarial fee (pension)
4550 Communications - Publicity	5,462	5,163		6,500	1,337	79.4%	5,632	6,000	(500)	
4555 Communications - Website	1,498	2,471		3,000	529	82.4%	2,696	3,000	300	Website review under way inc W2W
4560 Financial - Bank Charges	170	114		600	486	19.0%	124	200	(400)	
4565 Financial - Fees - Audit	1,804	431		2,300	1,869	18.7%	0	2,300	0	
4570 Financial - Fees - Legal	554	0		2,000	2,000	0.0%	0	0	(2,000)	
4575 Financial - Insurance	7,227	6,296		7,950	1,654	79.2%	6,868	6,296	(1,654)	savings from moving providers
4580 Financial - Software	720	2,135		800	(1,335)	266.9%	2,329	2,135	1,335	Change of financial software
4706 Elections	0	2,286		3,000	714	76.2%	2,494	2,286	(714)	Elections under budget and completed
4615 Office - Broadband/Tel/Fax	1,417	1,902		1,750	(152)	108.7%	2,075	2,000	250	We have renegotiated the contracts
4620 Office - Copier	1,568	1,053		1,500	447	70.2%	1,149	1,451	(49)	
4621 Office - Equipment - Expend	3,934	4,240		3,000	(1,240)	141.3%	4,625	4,240	385	
4625 Office - Equipment Capital	514	1,168		1,000	(168)	116.8%	1,274	1,250	250	software licenses new finance system and works in clock tower
4630 Office - Postage & Stationery	348	327		400	73	81.8%	357	350	(50)	Councillor tablets - additional to what was planned
4650 Office - Utilities - Electric	3,087	2,017		2,800	783	72.0%	2,200	2,100	(700)	new rates and new contracts should keep it within budget
4655 Office - Utilities - Water	259	303		150	(153)	202.0%	331	335	185	
4660 Property Mgt - Clock Tower	2,669	1,869		2,500	631	74.8%	2,039	2,000	(500)	repairs to damp issues in downstairs toilet, leak on window, gutters
4665 Property Mgt - Manor Waste	0	225		1,000	775	22.5%	245	225	(775)	potentially needs a clean
4670 Property Mgt - SiteSafe	505	595		1,000	405	59.5%	649	595	(405)	
4675 Property Mgt - War Memorial	2,887	5,105		500	(4,605)	1021.0%	5,569	5,105	4,605	Clean and sheltercoat protection plus repair
4685 Subscriptions and Donations	1,419	1,864		2,250	386	82.8%	2,033	1,864	(386)	most subscriptions now undertaken
4690 Misc - Chairman's Expenses	365	744		1,200	456	62.0%	812	744	(456)	Christmas meal
4691 Misc - Councillor Expenses	0	0		100	100	0.0%	0	0	(100)	
4695 Misc - Room Hire	815	354		1,200	846	29.5%	386	500	(700)	new deal with Library
4700 Misc Sundry Expenses Finance	374	649		500	(149)	129.8%	708	700	200	
4705 Misc - Travel Staff & Clifs	46	0		200	200	0.0%	0	0	(200)	
4707 H&S	1,562	227		2,000	1,773	11.4%	248	227	(1,773)	
FINANCE AND GENERAL TOTAL	39,920	43,781		51,600	7,819	84.8%	forecast	48,146	(3,454)	
6011 TFR FROM EMR	0	0							(48,146)	
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(39,920)	(43,781)								



	Actual		YTD	Budget		%	Expenditure	Forecast Clerk	Variance	Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr	YTD		Annual	Variance					
230 Grants out										
4585 Grant - Churchyard - not S137	7,500	7,500	7,500	0	100.0%	8,182	7,500	7500	0	Grants split out to identify S137 spend a lot easier so budgets and expenditure do not map at the moment
4586 Grant - Youth Centre - not S137	7,500	7,000	7,500	500	93.3%	7,636	7,000	(500)	(500)	
4591 Grants Out - Major - not S137	5,000	0	10,000	10,000	0.0%	0	0	0	(10,000)	
4613 Grants Out - Minor - not S137	1,000	2,294	2,000	(294)	114.7%	2,503	1,307	(693)	(693)	
4606 Grants Out - Major S137	5,000	7,080	5,000	(2,080)	141.6%	7,724	7,080	2,080	2,080	
4607 Grants Out - Minor S137	1,000	1,500	3,000	1,500	50.0%	1,636	2,500	(500)	(500)	
FINANCE AND GENERAL TOTAL	27,000	25,374	35,000	9,626	72.5%	forecast	25,387	(9,613)		
6012 TFR FROM EMR	0	358						(25,387)		
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(27,000)	(25,016)								

	Actual		YTD	Budget		%	Expenditure	Forecast Clerk	Variance	Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr	YTD		Annual	Variance					
320 Staffing										
4800 Staffing - Amenities - Wages	73,317	57,617	61,457	3,840	93.8%	62,855	62,715	1,258	1,258	Cost of Living increase slightly higher than budget
4801 Staffing - Amenities - NIC	6,959	6,932	7,165	233	96.7%	7,562	7,575	410	(410)	
4802 Staffing - Amenities-Pension	8,171	2,312	3,466	1,154	66.7%	2,522	2,515	(951)	(951)	
4810 Staffing - F&G - Wages	86,336	85,047	95,824	10,777	88.8%	92,779	92,810	(3,014)	(3,014)	New office staff arrangements cheaper than budgeted
4811 Staffing - F&G - NIC	8,974	10,942	11,169	227	98.0%	11,937	11,930	761	761	
4812 Staffing - F&G - Pension	4,568	3,941	13,476	9,535	29.2%	4,299	4,300	(9,176)	(9,176)	Budget allowed for LGPS insertion for one member of staff
4816 Staffing F&G Student Loan	811	889	1,200	311	74.1%	970	962	(238)	(238)	
4845 Payroll Charges	780	600	800	200	75.0%	655	600	(200)	(200)	
4855 HR Consultancy Fees	2,262	2,284	2,500	216	91.4%	2,492	2,284	(216)	(216)	
4860 Training Staff & Clfirs	515	1,544	3,500	1,956	44.1%	1,684	1,544	(1,956)	(1,956)	
4861 Uniform	150	776	1,000	224	77.6%	847	1,000	0	0	
4862 Smart Pension Admin Fee	264	268	300	32	89.3%	292	282	(18)	(18)	
STAFFING TOTAL	193,107	173,152	201,857	28,705	85.8%	forecast	188,517	(13,340)		
6013 TFR FROM EMR	(193,107)	(173,152)						(188,517)		
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	(193,107)	(173,152)								

	Actual		YTD	Budget		%	Expenditure	Forecast Clerk	Variance	Basis of forecast and notes
	Last Yr	YTD		Annual	Variance					
980 Amenities EMR Projects										
9107 EMR - Library Extension	8,000	0	0	0	0.0%	0	0	0	0	
9108 EMR - Skate Park	0	122,713	0	(122,713)	0.0%	133,869	122,713	122,713	122,713	
9123 EMR - TWG Priorities	2,500	0	0	0	0.0%	0	1,500	1,500	1,500	
9128 EMR - Climate Action	1,000	0	0	0	0.0%	0	600	600	600	
Amenities EMR Projects	11,500	122,713	0	(122,713)		forecast	124,813	124,813	124,813	
6015 TFR FROM EMR	11,500	122,713						0	0	
Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	0	0						124,813		



EMR & GENERAL RESERVE MOVEMENTS - FORECAST				
	EMR BALANCE YTD		FORECAST ADDITIONAL MVMT	
	EMR Open	Mvt YTD	Tfr In	Tfr out
Amenities EMR Projects				
9108 EMR 357 - Skate Park	40,000	(42,713)	5,900	-
9123 EMR 359 - TWG priorities	5,000	1,250	0	3,187
9128 EMR 364 - Climate Actions	3,748	0	0	6,250
9115 EMR 338 - Hampden Pond	0	0	0	0
EMR 353 - Equipment replacement	0	0	15,000	0
9120 EMR 365 - Strategic Community Land	0	0	10,000	15,000
	48,748	(41,463)	(30,900)	0
	Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	7,285	(30,900)	28,185
Other Amenities EMRs				
4435 323 Playground Improvements	12,235	(12,235)	0	0
4425 336 Estates equipment replace	2,000	0	0	2,000
	14,235	(12,235)	0	0
	Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	2,000	0	2,000
990 F&G EMR Projects				
356 EMR - LGPS Cessation	75,000	0	25,000	-
	75,000	0	25,000	100,000
	Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	75,000	(25,000)	0
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	Net movement to/(from) gen reserve	75,000	(25,000)	0

TOTALS and movements to/from general reserve

	Last Year	YTD	Budget	Forecast
			Annual	Full Yr
			Variance	
Income	447,038	538,722	465,497	546,155
Expenditure	388,652	531,597	(73,225)	582,921
	58,386	7,125	0	(36,766)
Transfer from EMR	11,500	123,071		123,071
Transfer to EMR	(1,783)	(81,250)		(81,250)
Movement to/(from) Gen Reserve	68,103	48,946		5,055
			Additional Year End EMR movement	(55,900)
				(50,845)

	01/04/2025	Movement	31/03/2025
GENERAL RESERVE	191,929	-	141,084



ITEM 9a – WENDOVER HS2 MAG

HS2 Monthly Report, February '26

Works update

- HS2 are holding a drop-in event at Wendover Library on 5th March from 2-5pm to discuss the Spring Chamber construction plans. Works are expected to start in April and take up to 12 weeks, with site access from the field next to King's Farm Shop at Nash Lee End.
- The Wendover bypass was closed for three days to allow construction of a temporary access road from the A413 to the North Portal worksite for completion of the northern section of the Green Tunnel.
- There were weekday overnight closures of the A413 to allow parapets to be installed on the Small Dean Viaduct, but due to supply chain issues this may now extend for a third week up to 7th March.
- Progress on the Grove Farm Culvert tunnel has stalled due to ground conditions at the southern end. The ground has now been "stabilized" and the Tunnel Boring Machine modified which should allow the southern section to be completed in the next few weeks.

Bucks Council activity

- A review of predicted noise levels was held with Bucks Council Officers following our research into the impact of a change to HS2 train design which increases the residential impact higher than previously expected. The Council think our proposal for a noise barrier at the North Portal is not justified, but we have briefed Mark Wild (HS2 CEO) on the outcome of their noise assessment processes and we will be following up with his Officers in March.

Parish Council activity

- Councillors Gallagher and Atwell met Mark Wild at a meeting organized by Greg Smith MP and discussed train noise, additional funding for St Mary's Church noise insulation, and the "Wendover Link" landscaping proposal developed in response to the feedback from the November Public Meeting.
- The Wendover Link proposal is being submitted to the Parish Council for consideration of adoption as part of the Wendover Neighbourhood Plan.

Public queries

- Five public enquiries processed this month, including a report of flooding at Nash Lee Lane and enquiries about Ellesborough Road restoration

23rd February '26

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ITEM 9b – Wendover Youth Centre

From Cllr Clive Gallagher – Chair of Wendover Parish Council.

WPC have been concerned for some time about the governance at the Youth Centre as there have been a number of changes to Trustees and the Chair over recent months. We had asked to join the Trustee meeting scheduled for 23/2/2026, to understand the position and review the current financial situation, but this was cancelled on the day and we were advised that the Treasurer had tendered his resignation. WPC Chair met with the secretary of WYC to discuss the position and established that there is no immediate cash flow issues, but it is clear that the governance structure and financial management needs an overhaul. WPC Chair will meet with the outgoing Treasurer and in conjunction with Trustees has made arrangements with a firm of accountants to address immediate financial issues. The current annual grant should be approved, but not disbursed until we are happy that the governance and financial structures are suitable and that we have satisfied ourselves that WYC continues to provide value for money for the young people of Wendover, in both quality & quantity of its offering.



WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Finance Committee Meeting

17th February 2026 at 7:40pm

Wendover Community Library, Wendover HP22 6DU

Present: Councillors Coupland, Gallagher, Mackinlay, O'Donnell, Tipper, Walsh and Worth

Clerk and Minutes: Andy Smith

Members of Public: 6

1. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR

F25/85 It was **RESOLVED** to elect Councillor Coupland as Vice Chair of the committee

2. APOLOGIES

F25/86 Cllr Walsh

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

F25/87 Cllr Worth expressed an interest as a trustee of the Memorial Hall and would not take part or vote in any of the items relating to the hall.

4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

F25/88 Members of the public spoke in turn to support their grant applications. There was representation from the Friends of Guiding, St Mary's Church, Wendover Junior FC, Wendover Memorial Hall, Air Force Cadets, Bowls Club

5. MINUTES

F25/89 The minutes of the Finance Committee 18th November 2025 were **RESOLVED** as a true record and signed by the Chair.

6. CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDANCE

F25/90 none

7. STATE OF THE FINANCE AND REPORTS

F25/91 The summary report was noted

a. Review of the I&E report, EMRs and balance sheet for Jan 2026

F25/92 The report was reviewed and noted

b. To review the over £1000 report and VAT reclaim for Oct-Dec 2025

F25/93 The report was reviewed and noted.

c. To review the bank reconciliations for Oct-Jan 2026

F25/94 The reconciliations reports were reviewed and noted.

d. To receive an update on project costs up to Jan 2026

F25/95 The report was reviewed and noted.



e. To review the Flagstone account statements

F25/85 The report was reviewed and noted. It was further noted that it would be preferable to see the current interest rate

f. To review the year end projections

F25/86 The report was reviewed and noted and the discussion on budget under and overspends was referenced. It was felt that phased budgets would also help support overview of the budgets.

g. To review the internal control checklist

F25/87 The report was reviewed and noted.

h. To receive an update on the LGPS pension fund deficit and cessation value

F25/88 All discussion was deferred to item 8a

1. OTHER MATTERS

a. LGPS Pension

F25/89 The proposal was noted and considered. It was noted that our options were not ideal and would have a significant impact on our money, which is public money. There is a Nov 2027 deadline when our deficit will be payable.

F25/90 It was **RESOLVED** to enter into the suspension agreement and retain an option to place a member of staff into the scheme.

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F25/92 It was **RESOLVED** to write to the Buckinghamshire Pensions Administrator to explore what might be possible in terms of a Deferred Debt Agreement or Debt Spreading Agreement

F25/93 It was **RESOLVED** to transfer £25,000 from the current year fund/general reserve to the LGPS Pension EMR.

F25/94 It was **RESOLVED** to explore the legality of placing just one member of staff into the LGPS

b. End of year reserve movements

F25/95 The proposal was discussed, and it was noted that all of the movements would result in a general reserve that was far too low, creating a higher risk for the council that would be unacceptable in the long term. It was noted that the Transport Working Group reserve was no longer required as this was a minor grant.

F25/96 It was **RESOLVED** to make the balancing payment for the skatepark and transfer £5900 from the general reserve to the skatepark EMR

F25/97 It was **RESOLVED** to transfer £15,000 into the Hampden Pond EMR to support the works set out in the pond management plan

F25/98 It was **RESOLVED** to transfer £10,000 into the equipment replacement fund EMR

F25/99 It was noted that it had been resolved in F25/104 that £25,000 will be transferred into the LGPS EMR

F25/100 It was **RESOLVED** that we should seek alternate sources of funding for strategic community land and not transfer the proposed £10k into a separate EMR at this time. This does not mean that we can't make a future transfer to support this strategic aim.

c. Interim internal audit

F25/101 The internal audit recommendations and results were formally NOTED.

F25/102 It was **RESOLVED** to agree our response to the recommendations and recommend the audit outcome to the full Parish Council

d. Major Grants

F25/103 The Finance Committee were updated on S137 expenditure and how it is a power of last resort. It was NOTED that our S137 expenditure limit for 2026/27 is £68,881 and our current budget will mean a maximum expenditure of £20,000



- F25/85 Wendover Friends of Guiding** -It was noted that this expenditure as for the replacement of the Guide Hut roof. The committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £3000 under the power of the Local Government Act 1972 S137
- F25/86 St Mary's Church** – It was noted that this expenditure was to replace pipework to stop the toilet blocking and then replace the flooring. It was noted that this was a publicly used toilet being on the Ridgeway and supported the community events that were held in the church; it was not a facility for the exclusive use of the congregation. The committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £1501.50 under the power of the Local Government Act 1972 S137.
- F25/87 Wendover Junior FC** – It was noted that the expenditure was to support the replacement equipment storage shed for the club. The committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £5000 under the power of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s19
- F25/88 Wendover Memorial Hall** – it was noted that this money would support the erection of a fence and clearance of the land along the side of the main hall. The committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £5000 under the power of the Local Government Act 1972 S137

a. Minor Grants

- F25/89 Halton Air Force Cadets** - .It was noted that this expenditure was for a gazebo. There were questions on the benefits to Wendover as the cadets were based in Halton and it was noted that their cadets are largely from Wendover and they take part in Wendover events – including the remembrance parade. It was agreed that there needed to be clarification on our ability to support out of parish organisations as long as long as there is benefit to Wendover residents or the parish. The committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £1000 under the power of the Local Government Act 1972 S137
- F25/90 Wendover Bowls Club** – to part fund the purchase of a defib unit for the Bowls Club. It was noted the proximity of a public defib unit but it was agreed that given the numbers of players and their age profile having a unit on site would be more beneficial in an emergency. The committee **RESOLVED** to approve a grant of £819 under the power of the Local Government Act 1972 S137

b. Standing Grants

- F25/91 Wendover Youth Centre** - It was **RESOLVED** that the budget for the full grant request be allocated. However, the money is not to be drawn down until the Parish Council has completed current discussions on the governance of the Youth Club. The £7000 is being awarded under the power of The Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s19
- F25/92 St Mary's Churchyard Care Committee** – It was **RESOLVED** to approve this grant under the power of The Local Government Act 1972, s.214(6)

1. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

- F25/93** None presented

2. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING AND ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

- F25/94** The next meeting will be at 7:40pm on Tue 19th May 2026. It was further noted that agenda items would need to be with the office by 12 noon on the 11th May 2026.

3. CLOSURE OF MEETING

- F25/95** As all business was transacted the meeting was closed at: 20:45

Signed by

Chair to the Finance Committee

Date:



ITEM 10 a ii) – END OF YEAR EMR MOVEMENTS

BROUGHT BY

Finance Committee

SUMMARY

To consider our projected end of year position and recommend end of year reserve and budget movements for full Council to consider.

PARISH COUNCIL BACKGROUND

PARISH COUNCIL

- PC25/064** ii). The additional skatepark project costs were considered for approval. It was **RESOLVED** to pay the additional cost of £5859.83 to come from budget line 9108 and leave this budget line over budget to come from the general reserve.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

a. End of year reserve movements

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DETAILS

Introduction

At the year end there is still some flexibility to make changes to EMRs by transferring funds from the general reserve (or vice versa) in line with the budgets and strategic priorities.

Options

Balancing payment for skatepark – already approved to come out of the general reserve was the additional money for skatepark costs. We currently have a negative EMR balance and a final payment to be made after snagging works have been completed. A transfer of £5900 will cover this



Hampden pond fund - Amenities Committee have already resolved to propose building a reserve for works around Hampden Pond. This fund will help us complete projects in our pond management plan – this would be a £15k transfer this year. With similar amounts in future years.

LGPS pension deficit – At the moment we are potentially liable for £199k payment to exit the fund. This is discussed in the previous paper. It would make sense to add another £25k to our reserves to continue to cover off this risk.

Equipment replacement fund – It has already been highlighted in meetings that if any of our key assets break and are unrepairable, we are at risk of not being able to deliver. As Parish Councils can not depreciate assets it has been suggested that we put money into an EMR every year. A current suggested amount is £10k

The net effect if we were to do all of these is as follows:

TOTALS and movements to/from general reserve						
			Budget			Forecast
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	58,386	7,125	0	(7,125)	1.5%	(36,766)
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			Additional Year End EMR movement			(55,900)
						(50,845)
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GENERAL RESERVE	191,929	- 50,845	141,084			

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Set out above

LEGAL AND RISKS

Our general reserve is at the lower end of expectations

As our accounts are public this may impact negotiations on land if we have a specific fund

This is a large amount of money that is not immediately being spent on public benefit. Residents may not agree with a decision to build funds with public money

PROPOSAL

To review the options and consider making each of the year end movements listed above



ITEM 10 a iii) – LGPS UPDATE

BROUGHT BY

Finance Committee

SUMMARY

To provide an update on the issues and risks posed by the LGPS pension deficit and consider the proposal for a way forward.

PARISH COUNCIL BACKGROUND

FINANCE COMMITTEE 17/2/26

1. OTHER MATTERS

a. LGPS Pension

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F25/90 It was **RESOLVED** to explore the legality of placing just one member of staff into the LGPS

- WPC joined the Bucks LGPS in 1996.
- The scheme operates to a set of National and Local rules, over which WPC had/has no influence or control.
- We were in the Bucks County Council Scheme.
- Until 2014, this operated as a “final salary scheme”.
- Post 2014 it works as an “average salary scheme”.
- Staff were allowed to transfer pension benefits in from other schemes.
- In 2012 WPC made the decision to withdraw all new staff from the LGPS because it was too expensive.
- Pension deficits became a feature post 2013.
- 2020 Cessation report states that we have a deficit of £348k on a Full Cessation basis, ie. We exit the scheme in its entirety. Alternatively, it states we have a deficit of £73k on an Ongoing Cessation basis, ie. We continue to pay into the scheme and retain active staff members.
- In 2021, having identified an issue WPC made the decision to actively build a reserve to help them deal with the deficit at £25k PA – current reserve £75k.
- As of November 2024, our final staff member in the scheme left WPC, creating a situation where our position “crystallised”.
- We were given revised valuations as at 31st March 2022, which confirm a deficit of £211k on a full cessation basis and £24k on an ongoing basis.



- We were advised that we have 3 years to decide to either exit the scheme or put somebody new in, ie. effectively until 1/11/2027.
- The Full Cessation Value was determined at £199k as at 1st November 2024. This figure will not change.
- We have now been advised, because to date we have taken no action we need to formally enter into a “Suspension Notice”. This confirms our status and advises that we do not have to take any action until 1st November 2027, but payment will be due at that date. They reserve the right to change this arrangement.

DETAILS

Options

1. Do nothing and build the reserves to £200k, to enable payment in full by 1st November 2027.
2. Seek deferred agreement for payment – Deferred Debt Agreement DDA of Debt Spreading Agreement DSA .
3. A combination of 1 & 2, thereby utilising some or all the accumulated reserve and spreading payment of the residual exposure.
4. Placing one or more staff into the LGPS thereby avoiding the need to pay the Cessation payment, but adding future pension obligations to WPC.

Implications of those options

This is a difficult situation, simplistically it looks like this:

1. Pay the deficit from our reserves. We would need to find £125k over the next 2 years and fully use the £75k reserve we have built up.
2. Pay the debt on a deferred basis. We will almost certainly have to use the £75k reserve we have built up and pay the balance of £125k over a realistic period ranging from 3-7 years. Cost to WPC per annum £18-40k + interest.
3. Put all our staff into LGPS. Annual cost is £27k and creates a significant “Tail Risk” with multiple staff. This is not considered realistic.
4. Put one staff member into LGPS. Annual cost is £8k and creates some “Tail Risk”.
 - With Options 3 & 4, we free up the existing £75k Pension Reserve which we can use for other activity.
 - We should also note that with Options 3 & 4 we are incurring an ongoing liability, so this will be a cost for the Council for the foreseeable future. Whilst over time the number of pensioners we have on the scheme is likely to reduce, this is obviously dependent on many factors.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

LEGAL AND RISKS

- Depending on the option we select, there are different risks.
- If we choose to settle the LGPS liability, either in full or with some form of deferred payment, we will be utilising half of one years precept. This could be challenged by Parishioners as to whether this is the best use of their Council tax, but if a sufficient amount of time (Deferment) was obtained this could make sense.
- If we choose to place one or more staff into the LGPS to avert an immediate payment, we do 2 specific things:
 - We increase our immediate staff pension costs significantly.



- We create a new “tail” risk. This means that WPC has an ongoing pension liability for realistically 30 years. However, the important point to be aware of, this is not necessarily a deficit position. There is every possibility with the better management of the LGPS that we have seen in recent years that any shortfalls will be addressed as they arise and the cost impact to the Council is likely to be less significant, but we can’t guarantee this.

PROPOSAL

Wendover Parish Council the Finance Committee resolves to endorse the Finance Committee resolution to:

- Enter into the Suspension Agreement to formalise the current position. And retain our option to place a member of staff in the scheme.
- Write to the Buckinghamshire Pensions Administrator to explore what might be possible in terms of a DSA or DDA and the maximum term that might be possible and the interest rates applicable.
- Add another £25k to the LGPS Reserve from the General Reserve to bring this up to £100k.
- Further explore the legality of placing one member of staff into the LGPS.
- Await production of the 2025 valuation of the LGPS to see how our liability has moved.



ITEM 10 a iv) – STANDING GRANTS

BROUGHT BY

Finance Committee

SUMMARY

To approve the standing grants recommended by the Finance Committee

PARISH COUNCIL BACKGROUND

a. Standing Grants

F25/85 Wendover Youth Centre - It was **RESOLVED** that the budget for the full grant request be allocated. However, the money is not to be drawn down until the Parish Council has completed current discussions on the governance of the Youth Club. The £7000 is being awarded under the power of The Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1976 s19

F25/86 St Mary's Churchyard Care Committee – It was **RESOLVED** to approve this grant under the power of The Local Government Act 1972, s.214(6)

DETAILS

Introduction

The grant requests from the Churchyard Care Committee and the Youth Centre were considered at the Finance Committee. These grants are beyond the power of the Finance Committee and covered need approval by full Council.

Wendover Youth Centre

There are concerns about the governance of the centre and we have been engaging in discussions to try and support the Youth Centre hence the decision that was made at the Finance Committee.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

These grants have been budgeted for and can not be called upon until the next financial year (1st April)

LEGAL AND RISKS

This is public money and we have a duty to undertake due diligence checks before releasing these funds. The grant policy identifies these two standing grants as separate from the grants process.

PROPOSAL

To approve the recommendations of the finance committee; award the grant to the Churchyard and reserve the budget for the Youth Centre until after successful discussions on the governance of the centre.



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Wendover Parish Council Grant Application Form

Name of Organisation	
Wendover Churchyard Committee	
Official / Registered Address of the Organisation	
Church Lane, Wendover, Bucks HP22 6NL	
Address to which correspondence should be sent if different from above	
c/o Just Shop 11 High Street Wendover HP22 6DU	
Contact details of the person completing this application	
When was your organisation established? Late 13 th Century - 1290	
What is the legal status of your organisation? please tick one of the following	
a) unregistered voluntary or community organisation	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) registered Charity in England or Wales	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c) waiting to be registered as a Charity	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) charity recognised by HMRC in Scotland or Northern Ireland	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) exempt / excepted Charity registered in England and Wales	<input type="checkbox"/>
Registered Charity No (if applicable) 1131299	
What does your organisation do?	
The Wendover Churchyard Committee is a committee convened jointly between St Mary's Wendover Church and Wendover Parish Council for the care and maintenance of the grounds of the churchyard at Church Lane. The Parish Council nominate councillors to sit on the committee alongside representatives from St Mary's Church. [Currently Jennifer Ballantine and Diana Washington]	



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How many people are involved in your organisation? Committee/Board <input type="text" value="8"/> Paid Workers <input type="text" value="1"/> Volunteers <input type="text" value="8"/>
Has your organisation received a grant from WPC before? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
If yes, please state when the last grant was given and what it was for Grant was provided for grounds maintenance of the churchyard in 2025-26
PROJECT
Project Description (please give start and end dates) Churchyard grounds maintenance is an ongoing commitment. Will be carried out throughout the year from April 2026 to March 2027
Project Benefits in relation to Wendover, it's residents and visitors <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) The churchyard provides burial sites and places for the interment of ashes for members of the local community. i.e. anyone in the parish of Wendover, or as agreed with the Vicar, generally where a connection to the local community exists.2) The committee ensures the ongoing and regular maintenance of the grounds to support those visiting family graves and those using the church for weddings, funerals or visiting for general sightseeing. It also indirectly supports community use of the church – Wendover Arts Festival, U3A groups, Wendover Choral Society, Concerts etc.
How will you know if you have achieved what you set out to do? <ul style="list-style-type: none">- We will have provided adequate provision for burial plots to all those in the local community seeking to be buried or for their ashes to be interred.- There will be a safe and well-maintained environment for members of the local community entering the churchyard.- The condition of the churchyard will positively contribute to the way Wendover is perceived by residents and visitors.
EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES Equal Opportunities seek to help all people receive fair and equitable access to the services our organisations provide. The Council has a legal duty to promote equality whether on grounds or race, disability, age, gender and other grounds where good relations and the elimination of discrimination can increase opportunities.
Does your organisation have an equal opportunities policy? If yes , please enclose a copy. Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
A copy of the Church of England Equal Opportunity policy was provided in 2021



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FINANCIAL INFORMATION		
You must include a copy / extract of your organisation's latest annual accounts with this application		
Please give a breakdown of total costs for the project (relevant items can be grouped):		
Item	Detail	Cost £
Maintenance of green areas	Mowing/strimming/weeding etc	£2,400 *
Tree work	Essential tree maintenance **	£ 3,800
Maintenance of paths / ground / general maintenance	General repairs	£ 800
Petrol/Oil/Tools & Materials ***		£ 500
Total cost of project £7,500		
Grant request total £7,500		
<p>We have given a lot of thought this year to the level of the grant that we are requesting of the Parish Council.</p> <p>Over the past year the use of a part-time contractor together with our regular volunteers and assistance from Stephan at the Parish Council, and help from members of the Community Payback team and Wendover Sheds, has enabled us to ensure that the churchyard remained well-maintained at all times throughout the year.</p> <p>This combination of different assistance in the churchyard combined with tree work from a local contractor seems to work well and ensures that we are able to keep our grant request at the same level as last year.</p> <p>However, in order to keep the grant at this level we will need some support from Stephan and his Parish Council team. The areas where we see most benefit being achieved would be as follows:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Help to maintain the height of the hedges around the churchyard on an ongoing basis to prevent additional costs being incurred with Pat Kernan on that activity. And 2. An early grass cut in mid to late March (depending on the weather) using his larger mower as that will enable our volunteers to manage the grass cutting from that point onwards with the smaller mower that the committee purchased last year. 		



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3. Assistance with trimming the smaller yew trees in the churchyard and ensuring that the metal wires around them are tightened and/or replaced.

N.B. We have asked Pat Kernan to manage the largest yew trees along the path to the church door.

If the Parish Council could provide this support, then we can commit to managing the rest of the required work within the same level of grant as last year.

N.B. You will see from our accounts that at the end of the last financial year to 31/3/25 we had a level of free reserves left of £ 3,565.56 - which is ca. £2.5K lower than on 31/3/24.

Whilst the reserves have reduced significantly, we still believe that this reduced level should still cover any emergency tree or other works. However, we will still need the full grant to continue to maintain the churchyard to a high standard on the basis explained above.

We are therefore applying this year for the same level of grant as last year - £7,500.

Notes

* We have been able to keep the day cost the same for this contractor and this amount is made up of 20 days work spread across the year, with a greater allocation in the summer months.

** N.B. Although we had hoped that tree work would only occur every other year, the increase in the number of storms means that we need to set aside an amount for regular tree work each year.

*** We have agreed with the Cricket Club that we will no longer make use of their mower, so will not pay any additional monies to them from this grant.

The grant will also cover a small amount of Eco activity in the churchyard in line with the Church's EcoChurch aims.

Please attach an additional sheet(s) (if required) to include any other supporting information in respect of this application. Please note that we cannot process your application unless you have included:

- A copy of your constitution or set of rules for your organisation
[We are governed by the Church of England]
- Information about your finances such as audited accounts/ 2 years of income & expenditure records or copies of bank statements for new organisations
[Please see attached a copy of the last accounts for the committee]
- Evidence of appropriate insurance
[We are covered by the insurance policy for St Mary's Church]
- Relevant policies (your organisation must agree with the Wendover Parish Council Antibribery policy and must have an Equal Opportunities policy at minimum)
[We are governed by the Church of England Equal Opportunity Policy. At our meeting on



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12/5/21 we formally approved the Wendover Parish Council Antibribery policy]

- Appropriate signatures

[This application is signed by one Committee Member of St Mary's Churchyard Care Committee and also by the Treasurer of St Mary's Churchyard Care Committee]

DECLARATION

Please read the following declaration carefully and sign it. The conditions will apply to you if your application for a grant is successful.

I accept the following conditions will be attached to any funding received:

All of the organisation's promotional material will acknowledge the support of Wendover Parish Council.

If the Council logo is to appear on your literature, assistance on correct usage can be obtained from the Clerk's office on 01296 623056 or email clerk@wendover-pc.gov.uk.

We confirm that the information given in this application is correct. We understand that we will be required to submit a brief report within 6 weeks of the completion of the project, including photographs where appropriate if applying for a grant over £1000. We agree the information about the funded project may be included in Wendover Parish Council's publications, website and social media.

Wendover Parish Council is a data controller under the Data Protection Act. We hold information for the purposes specified in our nomination to the Information Commissioner and may use this information for any of them. We may obtain information about you and others, or we may give information to them. If we do it will only be as the laws permits, to check the accuracy of information, prevent fraud or detect crime or to protect public funds.



Wendover Youth Centre proposal to Wendover Parish Council 2026

We are extremely grateful for the Wendover Parish Council's support over the last year and we hope to receive this support again. We have outlined below how any future grant received would contribute towards our current activities.

Activities

We continue to deliver our youth provision and provide a wide range of activities and opportunities for young people in the 'safe space' of Wendover Youth Centre e.g., Friday Night Youth Group, sports, workshops and courses. Alongside this we will focus on developing sessions and opportunities to support the needs of young people e.g. lunchtime drop-in sessions, mentoring and revision clubs.

Workshops

As part of our new model, we are actively looking to seek partners to run workshops of different activities. We had successful trials of 3D printing, baking and mug making workshops run by external companies in November/December 2025. We received a lot of interest and positive feedback from the young people after these workshops, as well as requests for future workshops to be put on.

Any grant received would enable us to run further workshops and contribute towards the resources and equipment we need for these activities.

Trips

We will continue to provide young people the opportunity to go on trips. We do charge young people to attend the trips, but usually at a subsidised amount and for a number of young people we cover the full cost because of their financial means. The grant would help to cover these costs and cover any young people who cannot afford the cost due to their circumstances.

Community events

We have held successful Youth Festivals in Ashbrook Park over the last few years, attracting a large number of young people. These are always a great community event with support from local organisations and volunteers.

We have participated in the WPC Christmas lights switch on, providing elves for the grotto and in 2023 were the beneficiaries of the event and ran a very successful tombola stall.

We also ran stalls at the local Yardfest and Summer Picnic events.



Projects

We have become involved in several projects detailed below:

Garden project

WYC are working in conjunction with Buds that Blossom nursery to develop the Youth Centre's garden. We received funding to replace some of the waterlogged grass areas, with a 3G surface that can be used all year round and dividing fences to create different zones within the garden. The garden is now multi-use and can be used by different age groups at the same time. We are in the process of creating a wildlife, picnic and 'chill out' garden with a story circle - this garden will also give children the opportunity to grow vegetables and fruit. We recently received a donation of trees and hedging from the Woodland Trust that were planted with assistance from the young people attending our Loop sessions.

Loop

The combined Wendover Youth Centre and Loop project commenced in March 2025, currently staffed by one of our youth workers and consists of a weekly series of arts, wellbeing and gardening classes.

Loop is a community-led solution to a growing local issue for young people aged 11-16. They provide a much needed very low demand and safe space for families to come to when young people are finding it hard to access other learning or social spaces, usually due to SEMH needs. The club was started by parents with lived experience who were frustrated by the lack of local provision and wanted a community based, gentle stepping stone to help rebuild their children's confidence. The classes were initially led by one of our Trustees Tessa Edwards who is a trained teacher and has personal experience of a child with specific needs. She planned low demand art-based classes for the young people. We were very grateful to the Lionel Abel Smith Trust for an initial grant to run the pilot scheme and help pay for materials and equipment for the classes.

Since January 2025, Loop has had involvement with over 20 families and for many it has been the first time their young person has stepped into a social group situation since struggling at school. Many have gone on to then start at alternative provisions or have a phased return to school, or have been able to make more of their learning and social opportunities in their home-schooling journey. It has given them the confidence, space and safety to navigate this. Parents/carers are fully part of Loop, attending with their young people and being hugely supportive and understanding of each other.

We would love to continue hosting these sessions at the Centre. The grant would help to pay for our youth worker who supports these sessions as well as the art resources needed.

Football enterprise

WYC are working closely with the John Colet School and the local Community Boards to set up a 'football enterprise' project with a group of Year 8 and Year 9 boys.

The aim of this project is to work with students to establish a week night open football session at Wendover Youth Club. Students will work with Shanie Noakes, our SEN support officer to consider the obstacles to this, creatively problem-solve them and create a presentation to share with Wendover Youth Centre Trustees and the John Colet School.



We are working alongside Community Boards as their Wendover / Halton Ward priority to is *actively work with WYC to engage young people in what matters to them whilst fostering a sense of community and leadership*

With this, Community Boards are able to provide oversight and expertise through volunteers coming into sessions to lead talks on project management and delivery and presentation skills.

Once this project comes to a close, we will be looking to follow the same format with another group of students - empowering them to make a difference in their local community around a topic they feel passionate about.

Resilience building

We have been working closely with the John Colet School to run a series of workshops focusing on resilience, confidence building and developing positive peer relationships with the school's student engagement officer. This was delivered as weekly small group sessions across a half-term. In these sessions we discussed challenges students may be facing and used games, art and other practical activities to develop strategies to help them overcome these challenges. On reflection, we have decided that a one-day workshop would be a better format for these sessions - beginning with discussion and teaching at WYC before moving onto another location (such as Go Ape) to put these skills into practice in a practical context.

Core running costs

As well as the everyday costs associated with running the building such as the ever-spiralling utility bills we also maintain the equipment within it.

Our recreational equipment such as table tennis, air hockey and table football tables are used daily and are subject to general wear and tear. The local U3A group receive great enjoyment from playing table tennis three times a week all year round, even on Boxing Day! We also purchase resources for our craft and baking activities. The grant would help towards maintaining this equipment and buying equipment and resources for the activities we run and provide throughout the year.

Over the last three years we have replaced the dishwasher and fridge, the floor to ceiling curtains in the main hall and broken washbasins in the toilets.

We also reconfigured two of the side rooms to make better use of the space. As a result of this we are now able to hire out one of these rooms to Buckinghamshire SEND team for the alternative education of a school refuser with complex needs and have plans to create a Sensory room in our existing named Riley Room.

Training programmes

We will continue to train up new and existing volunteers with up-to-date First Aid, Safeguarding training, Food Hygiene courses and SEN courses.

These courses do come at a cost though, that we can meet from the grants we receive.

From our work with the John Colet School, we have identified a need for specific mentoring within various cohorts of students and would need some additional staff training to deliver this to a high standard.



Fundraising

Although we rely on the generous regular grants we receive, we are also proactive in applying for other ad-hoc grants. We were successful in receiving grants from the following organisations over the last three years:

The National Lottery Community Fund

Children in Need

Albert Hunt Trust

Heart of Bucks

Masonic Charitable Foundation

Mobbs Memorial Trust

Rothschild Foundation

Shanly Foundation

Skipton Building Society

Stockwell Cliffe

We also hire our space out to the local organisations below who provide us with some regular monthly income:

Premier Education

U3A Table Tennis

Drama Hub

Buckinghamshire Council SEND

Summary

Through the continued support of Wendover Parish Council we have been able to keep the Youth Centre going through a difficult few years of staff transitions and Trustee resignations.

We would love Wendover Parish Council to continue this support as we expand our engagement and develop activities, projects and events which can inspire and empower local young people of Wendover.



WENDOVER PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting

17th February 2025 at 7.10pm

Wendover Community Library, High Street, Wendover HP22 6JG

Present: Councillors Ballantine, O'Donnell, Gallagher, Tipper and Worth

Clerk & Minutes: Andy Smith

Chair: Councillor Ballantine

Members of Public: 1

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

P25/147 Cllr Standen offered his apologies, and they were accepted by the committee.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

P25/148 None.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

P25/149 None.

4. MINUTES

P25/150 The minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 3rd February 2026 were **RESOLVED** as a true record and the Chair was to sign the minutes.

5. FINANCE

P25/151 The payments to consider as set out in the pack circulated to councillors before the meeting were discussed and payments totalling £5,931.19 were **RESOLVED** to be approved .

6. PLANNING DECISIONS

P25/152 The planning decisions as reported on the agenda of the meeting on 3rd February 2025 were noted. It was noted that any conditional permissions will be circulated with the agenda and minutes for reference. These conditions are available to view on the Buckinghamshire Council planning portal.

6. CLERKS REPORT AND CORRESPONDANCE

P25/153 The Clerk updated the committee on the latest consultation on the Local Plan and Transport infrastructure consultation.

7. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

P25/154 **PL/25/6409/VRC Hideaway Farm Wendover Road Stoke Mandeville Buckinghamshire HP22 5TR**

Variation of condition 1 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 24/01900/ADP (Submission of details reserved matters for appearance, landscaping, layout and scale to outline planning permission 22/01071/AOP (Outline application (all matters reserved except access) for the erection of seven rural business units for E(g) (iii) (light industry) with 38 parking spaces, access to be provided from Wendover Road) Condition 1: Details of the Appearance, landscaping, layout & scale;

It was **RESOLVED** to be neutral on this application.



- P25/147 PL/25/6122/FA Wellwick Farm Ellesborough Road Wendover Buckinghamshire HP22 6ER**
New farm track to replace access to farmyard which has been severed by HS2
It was **RESOLVED** to support this application.
- P25/148 PL/26/00437/VRC Blossom Cobblers Hill Wendover Buckinghamshire HP16 9PW**
Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans) and 3 (materials) attached to planning permission 24/01405/APP (Householder application for demolition of rear conservatory. Erection of single storey link extension and garage conversion to habitable space with associated external works) to allow for updated materials, entrance relocation, and revised fenestration with associated internal and external alterations
It was noted that this was an ambitious plan It was **RESOLVED** to support this application.
- P25/149 PL/25/4298/TP Brook House 2 Tring Road Wendover Buckinghamshire HP22 6NT**
Willow - remove rotten limb (20ft long). Pollard (5-6m) willow (Pollarding will involve about 13 branches that appear to have been pollarded about 8 years ago. The are now about 15 - 20 feet long), Ash - Remove one branch that is damaging roof of Brook House
It was **RESOLVED** to support this application

6. OTHER MATTERS

a) HS2

- P25/150** A meeting with the CEO of HS2 and the MP Greg Smith was held last week and we lobbied around issues of noise and return of HS2 lands for community benefit. There is some work to be done to explain our position in a follow up letter

b) CLOSURE OF RAF HALTON

- P25/151** It was noted that the Halton site has been identified for development in the local plan consultation.

7. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING AND ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA

- P25/152** The meeting of the 17th March 2026 at 7:10pm was noted.

8. CLOSURE OF MEETING

- P25/153** As all business had been transacted the meeting was closed at 7.25pm.

Signed by
Chair to the Planning Committee

Date:



ITEM 11a TRANSPORT WORKING GROUP

21st January 2026

Parking

CG confirmed, following a meeting with Councillor Strachan, that he will get an update once BC has completed its parking review. Following this, he will be working on developing a parking strategy for Wendover to cover the Witchell, Westongrove, Sweeneys, Library, Hale Lane, Bacombe Lane and Ridgeway. BB offered to help with the overall presentation.

Hale Lane

Advised to wait for the Wendover strategy before contacting BC further. HT will send all related correspondence to CG.

CSW - Aylesbury Rd

BB noted that it had been impossible to complete the online training as it has stopped working. She will contact Lee Turnham to find out what's happening and aim to start the training with local volunteers again. CG offered to do the training once the problems had been fixed.

As noted before, there will be a separate meeting to discuss Ellesborough Road and Bacombe lane on 26th Jan. FT will chase the school campus team to arrange a meeting over the next few weeks.



ITEM 11c SUSTAINABILITY AND BIODIVERSITY GROUP

SWG Meeting, 13th January 2026

1. SMC and DS to arrange a meeting over the next few weeks to discuss a plan of action on ivy research and management
2. FT to contact Wendover Society to request that the letter to the Barlow family is sent asap.
3. FT to arrange a meeting with the football club to discuss their request for a space in the HS2 restoration area and ask the WPC Clerk for a map of current land ownership in that area.
4. Wendover Society is making good progress on tree coppicing in Dobbins Lane with no current need for WPC support
5. CLAW is considering the request to host 6 x beehives at the Wildbelt area and is consulting local schools to discuss whether the hives would impact school trips to the area.
6. SW to contact u3a member re plant survey around Hampden pond
7. FT to contact the Youth Club, local sports clubs, Guides and Scouts to find out the level of interest in being involved in citizen science projects.

The next meeting will be arranged in April to discuss the results of the community asset surveys and next steps.



ITEM 12a – Response to Bucks Local Plan Sites Survey

BROUGHT BY

Chair

SUMMARY

To note the Local Plan sites survey currently being undertaken by Buckinghamshire Council. To consider the response from Wendover Parish Council and the proposed timing for further public engagement.

PARISH COUNCIL BACKGROUND

The Council previously submitted feedback to Buckinghamshire Council regarding the Local Plan, this detailed response can be found in full on the 7th October 2025 Full Council pack (item 12g).

[7 October 2025](#)

DETAILS

Background

The Bucks Local Plan is a significant development in planning strategy that incorporates the new national targets for house building. There is no doubt that these targets are challenging, current indications are that 95,000 new homes will be required over the next 20 years. The initial call for sites element of the plan was released 16th February 2026, and whilst Wendover does not have any significant development there are significant proposals for the surrounding areas which will impact us.

Working Together

We agreed in our October 2025 WPC meeting that there would be value to respond to the Local Plan as a group of Parish Councils which have independent needs and issues.

We have already set in motion plans to work on a spatial cross parish boundaries plan, so we can develop our own vision for our villages. The aim will be to appropriately but robustly challenge the Local Plan and present a united plan that works for the local area, so that we can each retain our individual identities and not be subsumed into Aylesbury.

It will be a consultant led, evidence-based plan which identifies the infrastructure required up front and includes technical and Landscape assessments, so that it is evidence based.

The plan is to combine with Halton, Weston Turville and Aston Clinton to put the proposal to all our Parish Councils for endorsement. The initial meeting is scheduled for 9th March 2026.

Information from Buckinghamshire Council

The Local Plan for Buckinghamshire Council will set out a vision and framework for future growth in the county, showing where development can happen, and protect places where it needs to be carefully controlled. Once



adopted, the Local Plan will be a critical planning document that the Council will use to help decide planning applications and making other planning related decisions.

It ensures there is enough of the right homes and workplaces, infrastructure, local facilities and services, transport, and sports and recreation, while protecting the environment and our rural county as much as possible.

Without a Local Plan, development will still happen, but the council would have much less control over where and how it happens.

Following the publication of the updated National Planning Policy Framework in December 2024, the Government announced that councils must commit within twelve weeks to new timetables for their Local Plans. Therefore, we have updated our Local Development Scheme (LDS) – which includes the timeline for developing the Local Plan. Following today's approval from Cabinet this will now be implemented.

Call for sites

As part of the plan's preparation, a 'call for sites' exercise took place. This call for sites helps us gather a fuller understanding of the land available for development within Buckinghamshire. The current call for sites engagement exercise closed on 23 April 2025.

The draft call for sites plan was released on 16th February 2026 and respondents have until 16th March 2026 to comment.

Wendover Parish Council Initial Response

Our response to the original consultation included the following (more detail can be found in the 7th October 2025 Full Council pack (item 12g):

Summary

Wendover Parish Council are sympathetic to the national building targets and the need for more development in Buckinghamshire. We also recognise that practicalities mean that much of the development will happen outside the Wendover Parish. Our key concerns for the plan are:

- **The Process**

- The consultation seems to be skewed so that the bulk of the engagement happens after the final draft plan (pre submission) has been produced.
- The plans reference a lot of external reports and documentation as the evidence base. Those documents are in various stages of completion. We feel that there is a value to producing an index of evidence complete with the reports in their current state. We feel that this will necessitate an extension to the current deadline.
- The Local Plan should specifically consider headline learnings from other development that has occurred. In Wendover this would mean the management of the development of Princess Mary Gate, the creation of hostels, the creation and loss of older people's accommodation. This should be a separate "evidence" report (see above)

- **The Proposal**

- Neighbourhood plans are glaringly absent from the drafts and the consultation
- Wendover is probably not being developed to an extent other areas are. However, we do not want the "knock on" infrastructure needs from development around Wendover to be ignored.



The Local Plan needs to identify how Wendover's infrastructure can be supportive of developments in the local area.

- The "Aylesbury urban sprawl" risks completely removing the identity and character of Wendover and parishes local to us and we would like to see safeguards in the Local Plan

Information on the Local Plan for Buckinghamshire Sites Survey

It is noted that this is not a formal consultation and is a survey that gives the opportunity to comment on the sites identified by Buckinghamshire Council. The deadline for survey responses is 16th March 2026.

More information and the interactive map can be found here - [Local Plan for Buckinghamshire sites survey - Your Voice Bucks - Citizen Space](#)

This survey is site specific asking for comments on the specific sites that are found on the interactive map. The survey can be found in appendix a.

Response to the call for sites element of the Local Plan

The Councils overall position has not changed, but we do now have a clear indication of potential development sites in Wendover and Wendover Parish Council should emphasise the following two points:

- Preventing coalescence is a priority for Wendover Parish Council. We are pleased to note that the development site between Halton Road and Marroway, on our border with Weston Turville is specifically stated as not suitable for development. We support this, but do not agree with proposals to develop land at Hideaway Farm, which is on our boundary with Stoke Mandeville. The Wendover Neighbourhood Plan, specifically sets out the Wendover Settlement Boundary and we do not agree or support any development in our Parish outside of this area. We remain concerned that even small developments outside the settlement boundary risk creating urban sprawl and with nothing to protect or differentiate our town from those immediately adjacent to us, or even more concerningly Aylesbury.
- Wendover Parish Council firmly believe that the current infrastructure is not designed to support the current communities. Any infrastructure must therefore be designed for the future and implemented before development occurs.

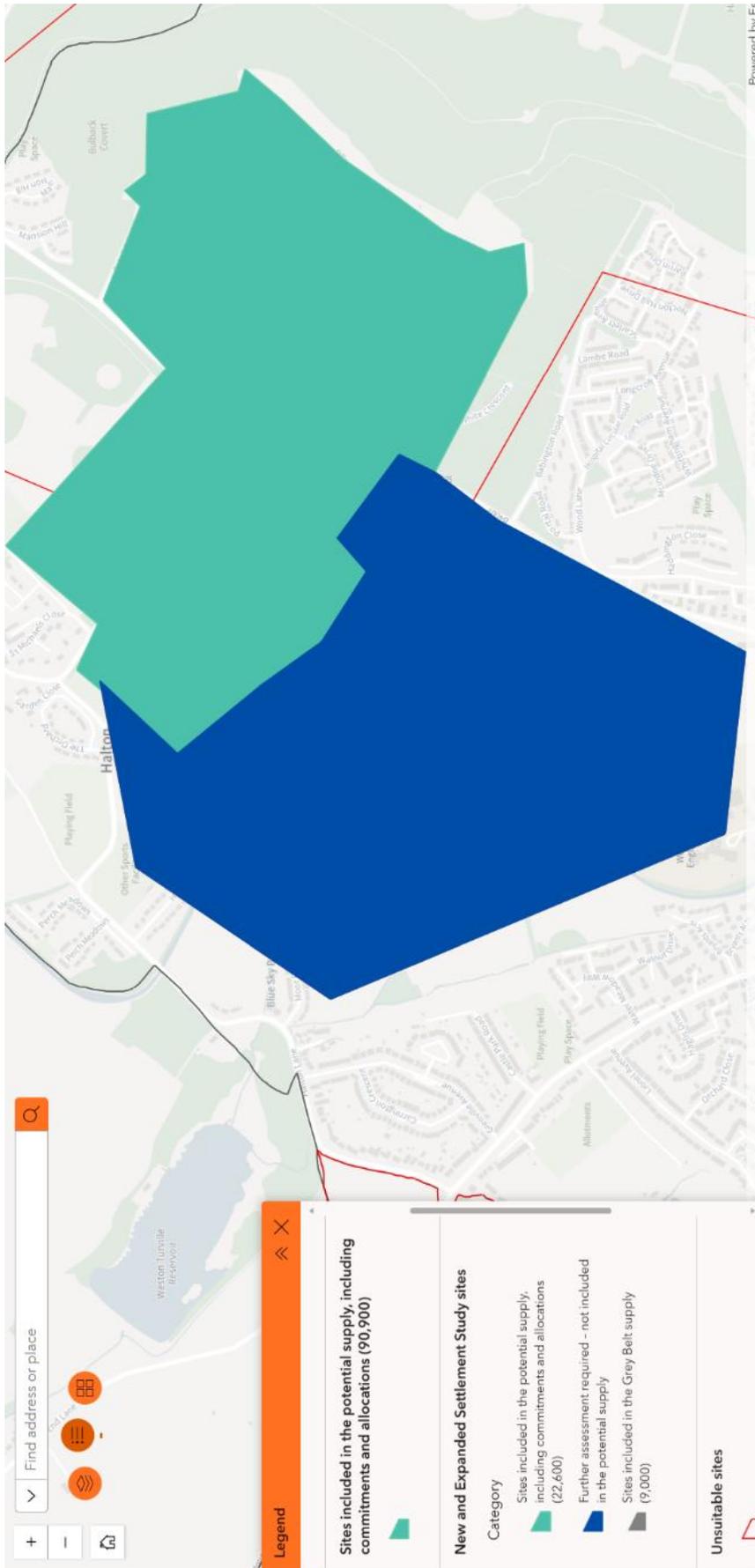
The Council is asked to consider sending the above response to Buckinghamshire Council. This response outlining the Councils position on preventing coalescence and the wider planning sites propped in the plan around Wendover would be sent to planningpolicyteam.bc@buckinghamshire.gov.uk.

Local Plan Sites Survey Response

The Council is asked to consider if they want to respond the survey about a specific site, see suggestion below.



Site 7 (RAF Halton):





It has been previously discussed and noted by the Council that any large developments on RAF Halton land would negatively impact on Wendover and the infrastructure, schools, GP surgery and roads as an example.

Therefore, it is suggested that the Council responds to the survey about this site, the office would send the response round to Council via email before submitting the response, the response would follow and include all previously mentioned considerations regarding the Local Plan and impacts on Wendover.

Public Meeting

We understand that the draft Local Plan is likely to be issued in July 2026, and we want to start planning for a public meeting where information can be shared with parishioners and their views obtained.

Realistically a meeting will need to be held August / September, but this will be dependent on when the plan is shared with us.

Public Engagement

The office is working on a poster to highlight the survey to residents and encourage them to fill the survey out by the deadline date. This poster will be shared with local groups and businesses as well as this it will be posted on our website and social media accounts.

The office is also in talks with Wendover Community Library to put a display of the maps in the library for residents to be able to view.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Costs of a public meeting and advertising costs, likely in July/August time will need to be approved by WPC.

LEGAL AND RISKS

- The Local Plan poses a big risk to Wendover if development occurs without feeding back on the impact on Wendover residents.
- There are genuine concerns as to the risks to the provision of services and infrastructure across Wendover, if the impacts of wider developments are not considered at the outset.

PROPOSAL

- **To approve submitting the feedback on the current stage of the local plan consultation as set out in this paper.**
- **To authorise the office to respond to the survey regarding site reference 7 (RAF Halton) as set out in this paper.**
- **To authorise the office to prepare for a public meeting to discuss the impacts of the Local Plan with residents and get their views.**
- **To authorise the office and Chair to continue to engage with other local Parish Councils on submitting a combined response to the final draft of the local plan.**



Appendix A – Local Plan Site Survey



Local Plan for Buckinghamshire sites survey

Open date: 16 February 2026

Close date: 16 March 2026

Name: Planning Policy Team

Email: planningpolicyteam.bc@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Overview

This survey gives you the opportunity to comment on the availability and suitability of a site identified as being potentially suitable for development under the Local Plan for Buckinghamshire’s plan-making process.

Buckinghamshire is updating its Local Plan in line with national planning requirements ahead of the December 2026 deadline and we are currently engaging with partners and infrastructure providers to help shape the plan, ahead of publication in the Summer.

Having conducted detailed land suitability work, including a Grey Belt Assessment, and a review of more than 1,300 sites identified by communities and the Council, over 400 sites have been identified as potentially suitable. The Council is now liaising with landowners and infrastructure providers to confirm ongoing site availability and understand the capacity of supporting infrastructure.

Having a Local Plan in place is the best defence against speculative development and ensuring new infrastructure is adequately planned for. Once adopted, Buckinghamshire’s Local Plan will provide a clear framework for the county’s future development. It will address needs and opportunities relating to housing, the economy, community facilities and infrastructure, while also conserving and enhancing the natural and historic environment, mitigating and adapting to climate change, and securing well-designed places for decades to come.

The plan-making process is well underway with 1,335 residents, businesses and community partners already having shared their views via [formal consultation](#).



The sites identified as being potentially suitable for development can be found on an [interactive map](#).

Before responding to the survey, please look at the supporting documents and information on the [Local Plan for Buckinghamshire web page](#).

How to have your say

You can tell us your views in one of the following ways:

- complete the online survey at www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/sites-survey
- complete, and return, a printed version of the survey below

If you have any questions about this activity, or require this information in another format or language, please email us at planningpolicyteam.bc@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

If you are a landowner of one or more of the sites deemed suitable and you haven't received a direct written correspondence from us, please email planningpolicyteam.bc@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Please tell us your views by 11:59pm on Monday 16 March 2026.

Privacy

We will use the information you provide here only for this activity. We will store the information securely in line with data protection laws and will not share or publish any personal details. Survey responses will be analysed using Microsoft products including Copilot, Excel and Word. For more information about data and privacy, please see our [Privacy Policy](#).

If you have questions about data and privacy, please email us on dataprotection@buckinghamshire.gov.uk or write to our Data Protection Officer at Buckinghamshire Council, The Gateway, Gatehouse Road, Aylesbury, HP19 8FF.



Local Plan for Buckinghamshire sites survey – Printed survey

About you

1. In what capacity are you responding to this survey? (required)

Please tick (✓) one option

- As an individual resident (go to question 8)
- As a local councillor (go to question 8)
- On behalf of a town council, parish council or town committee (go to question 2)
- On behalf of a business, group or other organisation (go to question 5)
- Other (please state below, and go to question 8)

Town and parish councils

2. Please give town council, parish council, parish meeting or town committee you represent (required)

3. Please give your role/position council, meeting or town committee (required)

4. Your council, meeting or town committee email address (required)

Organisation details

5. What is the name of your business, group or organisation? (required)



- 6. What is your role or position at the business, group or organisation? (required)**

- 7. What is your business/group/organisation email address? (required)**

Site response

Please use the online interactive map to obtain the site reference number and address, and then provide your feedback on the suitability of the site for the proposed type of development.

- 8. Please give the site reference number (required)**

- 9. Please give the site address (including postcode)**

- 10. What is your connection with the site? (e.g. local resident, local councillor)**

- 11. Is the site suitable in principle for the proposed use?**

Please tick (✓) one option

Yes

No



12. Please give the reasons for your answer

13. What opportunities and advantages could development of the site bring?

14. Are there infrastructure issues that would have to be addressed in the development of this site?

Please tick (✓) one option

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

15. If you answered 'yes', please provide further details

16. Other than infrastructure, please provide details of any other potential barriers or challenges relating to development of the site



17. Please provide details of any important environmental features on or near the site

18. Are there any important community assets near the site?

Please tick (✓) one option

Yes

No

I don't know

19. If you answered 'yes', please provide details

20. Are you aware of any previous promotion of this site for development?

Please tick (✓) one option

Yes

No

21. If you answered 'yes', please provide details



22. Have any issues been raised by local residents or businesses in relation to development of the site?

Please tick (✓) one option

- Yes
 No
 I don't know

23. If you answered 'yes', please provide details

24. Please provide any further local information or context that you think is relevant to the development of this site

End of the survey

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

If you would like to respond in respect of other sites, please print out pages 3-7 of this document again for each site and add these to your submission.

Please return your completed survey by 11:59pm on Monday 16 March 2026.

You can:

- email it to planningpolicyteam.bc@buckinghamshire.gov.uk
- post it to Local Plan site survey, Planning Policy, Buckinghamshire Council, Walton Street, Aylesbury, HP20 1UA



ITEM 12b – Proposal for Development of Wendover Link

BROUGHT BY

Cllr Atwell, Wendover HS2 Mitigation Action Group

SUMMARY

To review the *Proposal for Development of Wendover Link*, developed from the HS2 Public Meeting held in November 2025, and consider supporting the paper and continued development of proposals for the land in line with community priorities.

PARISH COUNCIL BACKGROUND

- Wendover HS2 Mitigation Action Group work with Wendover Parish Council to minimise the impact and secure the best outcomes for the local community.
- Wendover Parish Council and Wendover HS2 Mitigation Action Group convened a public meeting in November 2025 to engage with the local community and understand local views on ‘Wendover after HS2’

DETAILS

Introduction

The Proposal for Development of Wendover Link (Appendix A) has been developed following conversations with HS2 where it was requested that community feedback is presented for the future use of an area of land bound by the tunnel and A413 north of Ellesborough Road, known as the “Wendover Link”. Feedback from the public meeting has driven the development of proposals, and the Chiltern Society, (Ridgeway) National Trails, and Wendover Society have indicated their support for the proposed use of the land.

The proposals presented are not final designs, rather a proposal to HS2 for consideration of community perspectives and aspirations in their final landscaping designs, currently being developed.

The full document for the proposal was sent to the council via email.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

N/A at this stage

LEGAL AND RISKS

N/A at this stage

PROPOSAL

To resolve to support the Proposal for Development of Wendover Link and continued development of proposals for the land in line with community priorities.

Appendix A – Proposal for Development of Wendover Link



Development of Wendover Link Community Proposal

1. Introduction

The construction of the HS2 Wendover Green Tunnel has left an area in excess of 10 hectares bound by the tunnel and A413 north of Ellesborough Road, known as the "Wendover Link". The land is within the Chilterns AONB and encompassed the former Wendover cricket club pitch as well as agricultural land that cannot be returned to its original use. The area is shown in Figure 1-1 below.

The cricket club land has mostly been taken over by HS2. It was originally donated with a covenant stipulating that it was to be retained for the benefit of Wendover community. The Cricket club is in the process of being relocated but the remaining land will become free upon the construction of the tunnel.

The Chilterns AONB HS2 Design Principles [Ref.1] identified the whole area as providing a significant opportunity to develop an ecological and recreational corridor following the construction of the railway, and section 3.13.4 of the design principles states: *"the current proposals raise further issues and significant opportunities particularly in the creation of new access and recreational links, and habitat creation and ecological corridors."*

The same report, section 3.1.6.6, recommends a strategy for the Wendover Link: *"The suggested strategy is to provide a major piece of new green infrastructure using this land ...and includes*

- A new 2km cycle link from Ellesborough Road to Nash Lee Road...
- A major new ecological corridor on either side of the cycle link using variations in slope and aspect to create a mosaic of grassland and scrub augmented with native hedgerow...
- If considered locally appropriate further health benefits could be added such as an associated trim trail, measured walk etc, and even a multi-use games area..."

The report concludes that:

"The Contractor should investigate means of maximising the reasonable realization of the above opportunities working with the local authority and Chilterns Conservation Board to achieve synergies with any selected and relevant potential Additional Projects".

As a consequence, HS2(EKFB) presented outline landscaping designs for schedule 17 approval and have indicated their wish for community feedback as to how these aspirations could be met as they finalise their design.

Wendover Parish Council and the WHS2 Mitigation Action group conducted an engagement exercise in November 2026 and received feedback [Ref. 2] from residents who identified that re-wilding the area, provision of a cycleway and returning part of the land back to the original legacy intent by means of a recreational activity area were the community priorities. Subsequently Wendover Football Club and Mid Buckinghamshire Beekeepers Association have expressed their interest in utilising some of the area due to both organisations losing their current bases in the next 2-3 years.

This feedback has been developed into a set of proposals that the community, along with support from Chiltern Society, (Ridgeway) National Trails and Wendover Society wish HS2 to consider in their final landscaping designs, currently being developed.

This paper presents these proposals for consideration and implementation.

Development of Wendover Link Community Proposal



Figure 1-1 Schematic Map of Wendover Link Showing Community Proposals

2. Development Proposal

2.1. Development Components

Four components were considered in addition to the community consultation exercise [Ref. 2]:

- i) Adopting the Chiltern HS2 AONB design principles for re-widening the Green Tunnel area but also ensuring sufficient tree planting is provided to provide noise screening between the operational railway and the verges of the A413, as far as is practicable taking into account railway operational constraints;
- ii) Re-using some of the old cricket ground area for recreational and sports use, noting that the Wendover Cricket club still have not been able to sell part of their land rendered useless by the imposition of the railway and that there is a need to replace the pavilion which was demolished;
- iii) Finding an opportunity for an appropriate educational development;
- iv) Ensuring that Greenway Cycleway, local ProW and the Ridgeway paths could be routed in such a way as to be complimentary to the scheme;

In each case the development should be within the order limits defined for the railway [Ref. 3] and if a club house is to be considered, then normal planning constraints would apply.

The proposals at this stage do not consider the land ownership issues between HS2, the farmer, Wendover Cricket club, suffice to recognize that it is not practical that the land under consideration is returned to its original owner for its original use. This is further discussed in section 3.2 below.

The sections below detail specific proposals that meet these criteria, that the community are asking to be incorporated into the landscaping design.

2.2. Tree Planting for Noise Mitigation

The request is for dense tree planting to be provided between the North Portal building and the A413 between chainages 55,100 and 54,950 to replace the original tree line that has been removed (land which was to have been retained according to the approved schedule 17 designs). The impact has been to remove a natural noise mitigation barrier. Figure 2-1 shows the extent of this tree removal.

The request is to reinstate the tree line with extensive dense tree planting between chainages 55,100 and 54,850 as shown in Figure 2-2. Given the time to take for maturing trees to take shape the request is to start planting soonest as is practicable and determine who should maintain them in the long term.

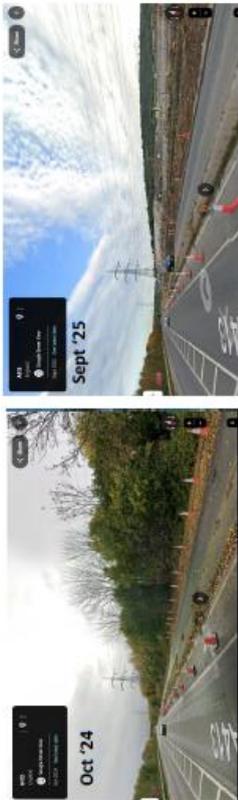


Figure 2-1 "Protected" Tree Removal A413 September 2025

The main purpose of the tree line is to provide long term noise attenuation that will significantly reduce noise impact for houses in North Wendover. An interim wooden slat fence along the tree line would provide some protection for the trees as they grow and provide some noise attenuation.

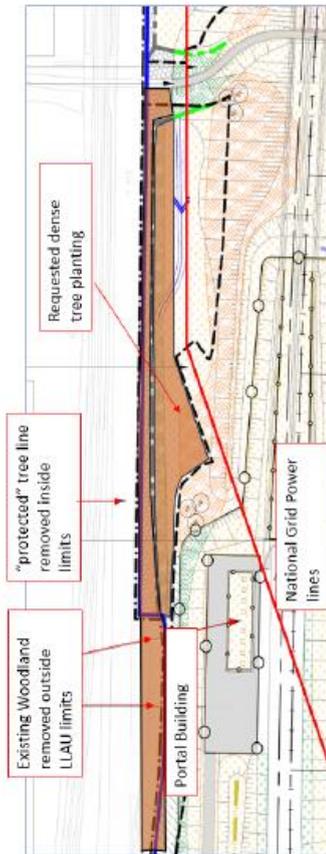


Figure 2-2 Requested Reinstatement of Dense Tree Planting for Noise Mitigation

2.2.1. Advantages

- Provides the most effective noise mitigation for North Wendover (upto 5dB) in the long term
- Restores current ecological damage and enhances "Wendover Link" principles

2.2.2. Challenges

- Potential relocation of current construction drainage
- Maintenance responsibilities



community to reinstate an area for recreational activity recognising that the former area is now much reduced (now 0.6 hectares).

Currently, Wendover Football club are seeking a new area for a base as their leasehold for their current site, which is in a poor state of repair, is due to expire in the forthcoming years.

The club have submitted a proposal for a pitch and possible store/ changing facility in the area that the cricket pitch used to occupy.

Their proposal is appended, Appendix A, the key points to note being:

- i) The pitch would be for day time use only (no flood lighting);
- ii) The pitch would occupy at most 60m x 100m which would necessitate some minor re-adjustment of the landscape grading and drainage ditch plans for the specific area;
- iii) The open area would provide opportunities for other sporting activities in a safe location;
- iv) Access would be via WEN 55/1 footbridge and parking would be allocated in the Chiltern Railways station carpark;
- v) There is a need for a store and changing facility (this is further discussed in section 2.7 below);
- vi) Maintenance and lease arrangements would be by Wendover Football Club

Proposed plans are shown in Figure 2-4, Figure 2-5, Figure 2-6.

2.4.1. Advantages

- Provides a long-term home for Wendover Football club
- Provides a community sports asset for Wendover
- Provide open grass land area as envisaged in the landscaping design

2.4.2. Challenges

- Minor alteration to grading plans / optimisation of slope angles and drainage in specified area
- Providing space for emergency vehicle access
- Determining maintenance responsibilities



2.3. Landscaping and Provision of “Wendover Link” Ecological Corridor
The majority of the community responses support a rewinding project on the lines of those described in the AONB design principles (Section 4.6 Ref 1.) and shown in Figure 2-3 below. This sets out proposals for HS2 to provide an area of mixed scrubland and wildflower grassland with sympathetic hedgerow and tree planting. Current indications are that the EKFB landscape design matches a large part of the planting intent described.

However, there remains a question regarding the use and disposal of the land which will be part of the lineside slope to the west of the tunnel (shown as 37). In the eventuality that this is not returned for agricultural use, the community seek a commitment that this land is also rewinded in the same manner as the scheme.

Furthermore, it may provide a further area for an Apiary as described in Section 2.5 below.



Figure 2-3 Chiltern AONB HS2 Detailed Design Principles Landscaping Proposals

2.4. Provision of a Recreational Area (Football pitch)

The construction of the Wendover Green Tunnel necessitated the removal and relocation of the Wendover Cricket Club pitch away from the centre of Wendover. There is a strong desire in the

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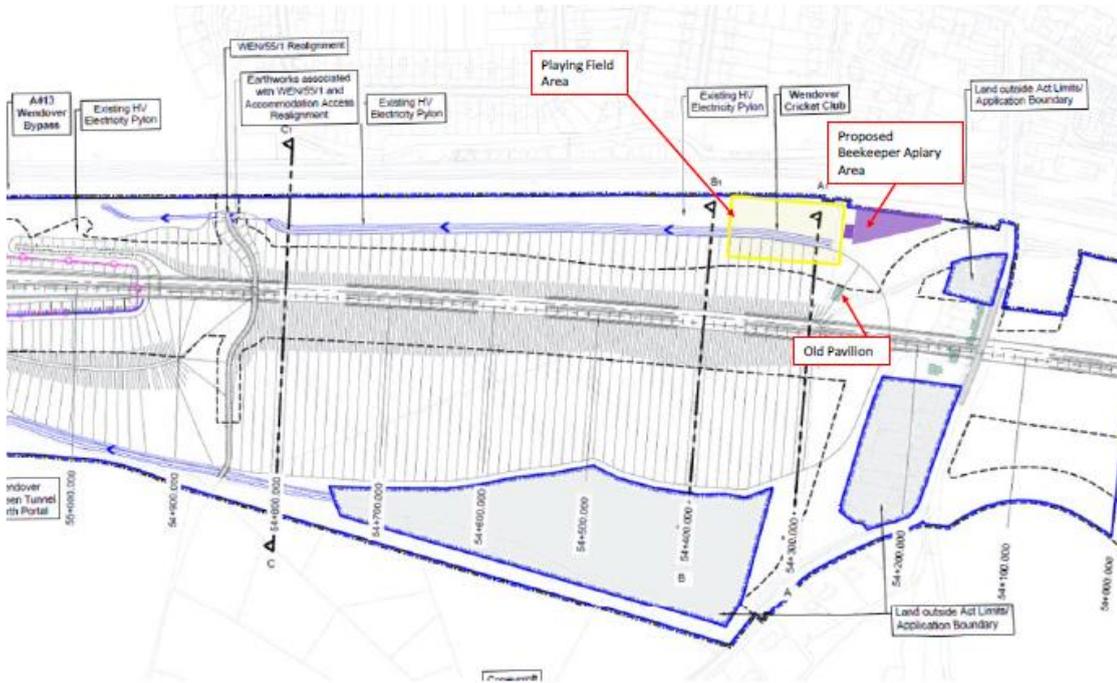


Figure 2-4 Proposed Sports Area (100m x 60m Area (Yellow)) Superimposed on HS2 Scheme Design

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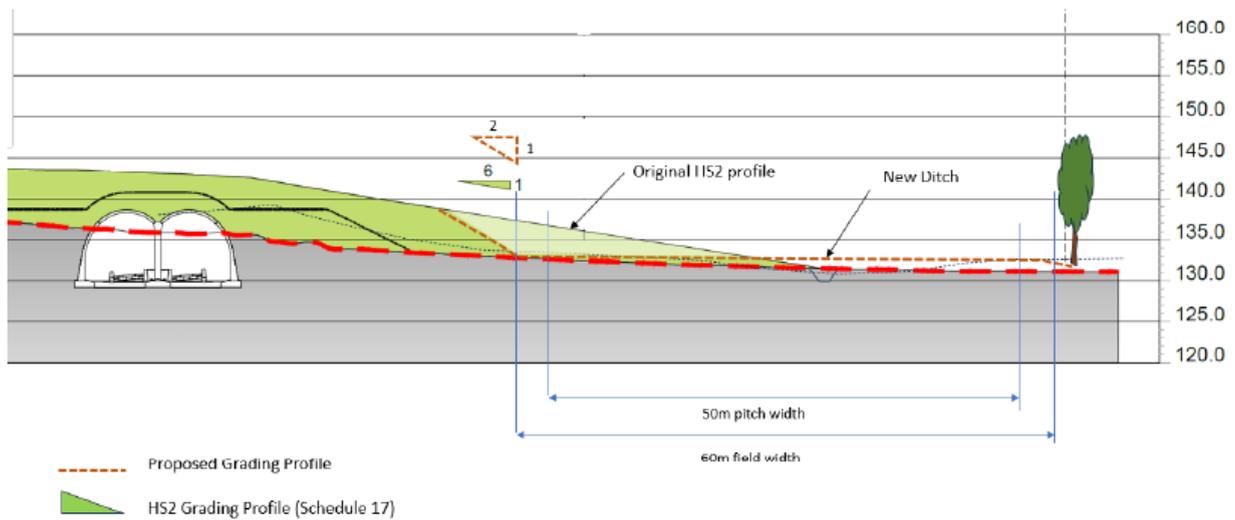


Figure 2-5 Proposed Profile of Sports Pitch (Section A-A1 ch 54,300) in relation to Green Tunnel - View North

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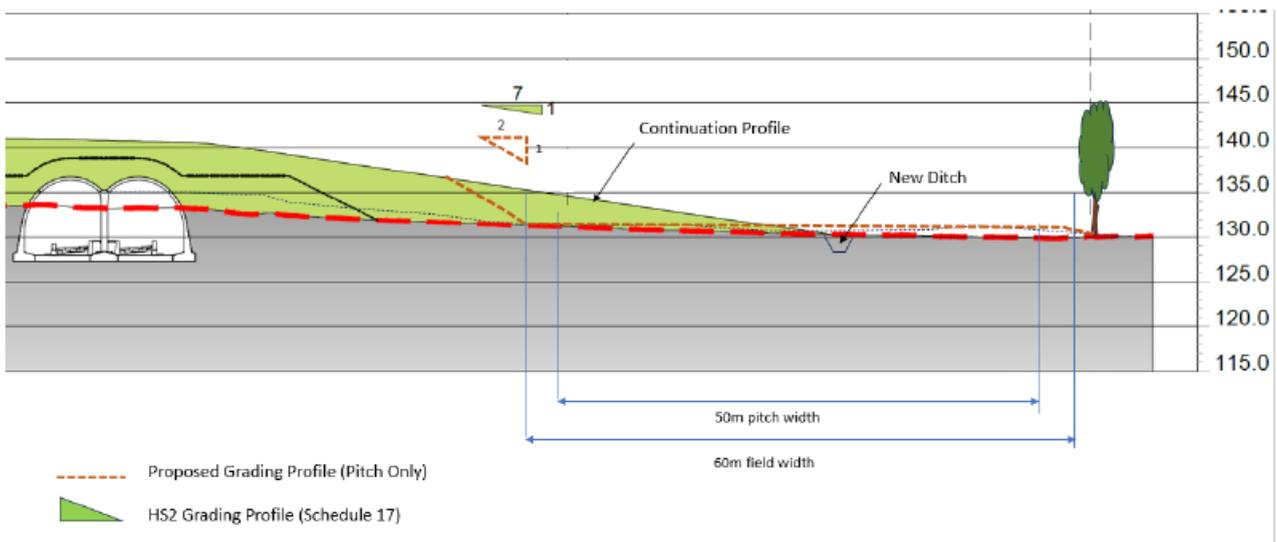


Figure 2-6 Proposed Profile of Sports Pitch (Section A-A1 ch 54,400) in relation to Green Tunnel - View North



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Community Proposal

2.5. Provision of a Base for Mid Buckinghamshire Beekeepers

The Mid Bucks Beekeepers Association was founded in 1966 to serve the needs of beekeepers in central Buckinghamshire and have over 200 members. They are currently seeking a new home as they are due to be evicted from their current base in Weston Turville as a result of the Hampden Fields development. In addition, they are seeking a base where they can concentrate their efforts to combat the impacts of invasive species such as Asian Hornets.

Their long-term desire is to create an educational and visitor base as a centre for bee keeping in Buckinghamshire with aspirations similar to [North Dorset Beekeepers](#).

Their proposal is presented in Appendix B, but in summary involves:

- i) Provision of an apiary area for the bee hives (identified area shown in Figure 2-4 above) of 0.25 hectares) in the area of land currently owned by Wendover Cricket Club (not bought by HS2);
- ii) Enabling effective access to the remaining 10 hectares of landscaped land in the new Wendover Link;
- iii) Public access would be via WEN 11/1 footbridge and parking would be allocated in the Chiltern Railways station carpark;
- iv) A need for track access for van for offloading bee hive equipment, the proposal being the limited use of HS2 maintenance track around the North Tunnel and Ellesborough road;
- v) Any meeting room and washing facility would match the old wooden pavilion and provide secure space for mowing equipment, tools and spare hives (this is further discussed in section 2.7 below) ;



Figure 2-7 Current MBBKA Apiary at Weston Turville

2.5.1. Advantages

- Provides a long-term home for Mid Bucks Beekeepers Association (MBKA) which will enable their association to flourish

- Provides a community educational and visitor asset for Wendover
- Provide open grass land area as envisaged in the landscaping design
- Wildlife and ecology enhancement

2.5.2. Challenges

- Minor alteration to grading plans and drainage in specified area
- Ensuring appropriate space and segregation between an apiary and any recreational facilities
- Ensuring planting is sufficiently mature and high enough
- Alignment of maintenance access

2.6. Provision of Appropriate Accesses, PROW and Cycleway

There is an expectation that the original PROWs are reinstated. However there a number of issues raised by the Community to addressed :

- The new PROW above the Green Tunnel should be made a dual purpose path so that the cycle way from Small Dean to the North of Wendover can be completed and hence the vision of completing the Greenway cycle route [Ref. 4]. This is supported as part of the AONB design strategy, section 3.13.6 [Ref 1] – *A new 2km cycle link from Ellesborough Road to Nash Lee Road. This would provide a badly needed strategic link between Wendover and countryside north of Nash Lee Road.*
- In this section this means making the path a suitable gravelled path from Ellesborough road to Folly bridge with a further option to utilise the maintenance access tracks up to Nash Lee Road. This is shown in Figure 2-8 below.
- To address the concerns of road crossing and unsuitable roadside path along the original Ellesborough road the footpath between Wendover and the base of Coombe Hill (The Ridgeway path from Wendover to Coombe Hill) should be redirected behind the Ellesborough road houses, thus keeping the path away from the road and providing connections to WEN/6/3, WEN/6/2, WEN/11/1 and WEN/11/2. Following residents feedback WHS2 proposed to EKFB that the realignment of the paths should follow the new maintenance access tracks to be formed for the transformers and a move has been made to see that this can be integrated into the overall design.
- The WEN 11/1, WEN 6/3 and other path alignment should be refined to match the proposals above.

2.6.1. Advantages

- Accommodating Greenway cycle way now without the need to make modifications on top of the tunnel in the future;
- Integrating pathways to match Beekeeping and sports field proposals;
- Addressing 'Wendover residents' concerns to make the Ridgeway path safe and away from Ellesborough road.

2.6.2. Challenges

- Minimal change to design and overcoming inflexibilities
- Ensuring railway and UKPN maintenance accesses are not interrupted

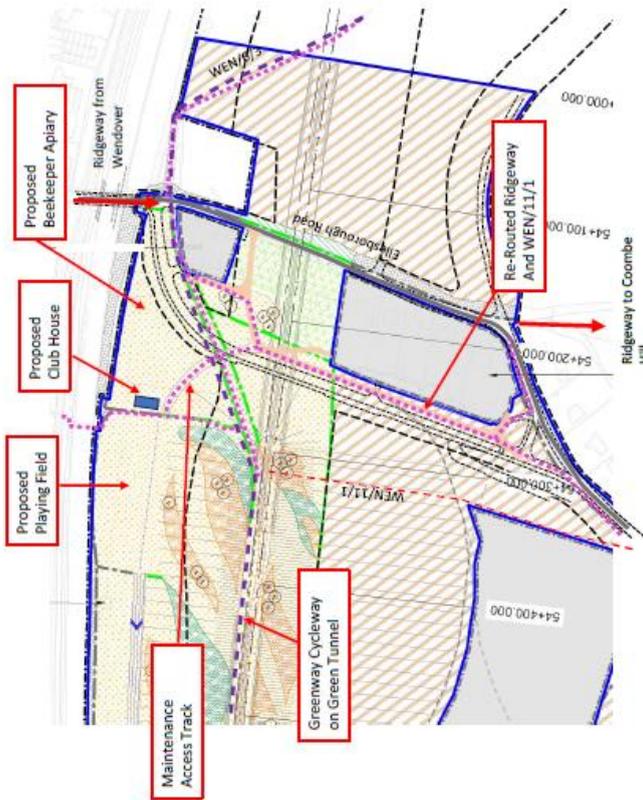


Figure 2-8 Proposed Cycle way and PROW Adjustment North of Ellesborough Road

2.7. Provision of Replacement Pavilion

The old cricket pavilion Figure 2-9 was demolished by EKFB during construction work, but the services electricity supply and water remain in the vicinity.

Both the Wendover football club and the Mid Bucks Beekeepers are seeking a suitable wood clad replacement club house of similar dimensions (20m x 10m) to provide a changing area, washing area and open communal/educational area. In addition, a store building for mowing equipment, tools and other items would be required.

Figure 2-10 shows a similar building constructed by North Dorset Beekeepers Association and it should be noted that Wendover Shed has already constructed a similar but smaller building as part of a community initiative.



Figure 2-10 Typical Club House (Courtesy Dorset Beekeeper Assoc.)

The facility would need re-connection with the services, provision of a cess pit and access to the proposed tunnel maintenance road. There will need to be access to the building to enable maintenance and deliveries, however the main parking is proposed in the Chiltern Railways Wendover Station car park.

2.7.1. Advantages

- Providing a permanent base for Mid Bucks Beekeepers Association and enabling the long term aspirations for an educational and visitor centre;
- Providing a store and changing area for the Wendover Football club to replace their current club house which is in a significant state of disrepair;
- Providing a watering point for Ridgeway walkers and cyclists;
- Providing a tool store and recharging hub for Chilterns Greenway Cycle route maintenance;
- Replacing a community legacy facility.

2.7.2. Challenges

- Funding
- Determining prime ownership responsibility, management and maintenance responsibilities (MBKA , Wendover Football Club, Chilterns National Landscape, WPC etc.)



Figure 2-9 Original Cricket Pavillion Demolished by EKFB (HS2)

3. The Next Steps

3.4 Determining Long term maintenance strategies

Agreements for the maintenance of landscape areas, sports area and beekeeper areas will require development and agreement. The Chiltern Society and Chilterns National Landscapes have started working with HS2 to develop long term agreements. WHS2 have proposed that HS2 form a restoration group involving these entities, including Buckinghamshire Council, with the specific task of delivery.

The implementation of the proposed proposals requires an integrated detailed design to be completed incorporating the elements requested:

- Dense tree screening for noise mitigation 55,100 and 54,850
- Extension of the ecological planting (implemented and managed by local groups i.e. Chiltern Society)
- Provision of a base for Wendover Football club
- Apiary area for Mid Bucks Beekeeper Association
- Provision of greenway cycleway link
- Alternative Ridgeway path and PRoW realignment
- Dual purpose replacement club house

WHS2 in their current engagement with EKFB and HS2 on behalf of WPC are concerned that due to the pressures to complete the design for submission Q2-Q3, 2026 for Buckinghamshire Council schedule 17 approval mean that not all of the aspirations described above will be fully integrated into the design. The following engagement actions are therefore recommended:

3.1 HS2 Strategic Direction

The proposals require HS2 strategic agreement and support so that an agreed strategy is in place and direction is passed down to their contractor EKFB and sub-contractors. WHS2(WPC) working with the Chiltern Society and Wendover Society seek to secure HS2 management agreement.

3.2 Influencing the landscape and highways pre-application design process

Based on the agreement of the development proposals above, for a joint working party involving WHS2(WPC), Chiltern Society and Buckinghamshire Council to support EKFB pre-application design discussions to determine:

- boundary dimensions for landscaping (incorporating noise mitigation), community sports/ Beekeepers area
- determine location, size and form of replacement club house and store and the extent of planning submissions required
- agree PRoW and cycle link routings;
- ensuring land profiling, land drainage and highways designs are co-ordinated;
- confirm a path for approval

3.3 Securing Landownership Transfer and Legacies

The determination of ultimate land ownership is complicated by the obligation of HS2 to determine precisely which land is to be retained for operations and which land parcels are to be returned under Critchel Down rules to original landowners.

In addition, there is land that Wendover cricket club still retain that may or may not be bought out by Mid Bucks Beekeepers.

The proposal is that the land is handed to Wendover Parish Council or retained by HS2 and that a lease agreement in perpetuity is developed for the community.

Further legal advice is required.



**Appendix A – Mid Buckinghamshire Beekeepers Association
Submission**

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Requirements for a permanent apiary site for MBBKA

There are two options:

1. A site of **approx. 2 acres**, with room for bees, sheds for keeping equipment
2. A more adventurous and potentially income generating site of **approx. 5 acres** where we can build a visitor area, bee friendly garden, a cafe and child friendly activities.

Both of these options would require the following:

Access to parking to a greater or lesser degree, with heavy deliveries needing close access. Apiary teaching sessions need space for 30 cars throughout the year and a visitor centre would need more.

Water and electricity

This is for washing hive tools, cleaning hive parts, woodworking and public needs.

Some water feature needs to be close enough to the bees for them to retrieve it. This can be included in a bee friendly garden design. This needs sloping sides so that they don't drown.

Clean area with water and power suitable for food preparation.

We teach honey extraction, jarring and wax purification to new beekeepers. Since this requires ultimate hygiene precautions, we currently have to use members' kitchens. If we were to do all teaching on site in an enlarged facility, we would need to think of this. The general public are always keen to purchase honey, and children enjoy making simple candles, so this is another point to consider in the larger option. The shops at the other sites around the country do well with honey tasting, purchase of bee focused children's books and activities amongst many other items.

Fitting with existing Wendover links

Using land freed after HS2 is complete would be ideal for us. Wendover already has groups which focus on the environment, maintaining biodiversity in the Chilterns and the Men's Sheds supporting practical skills and mental wellbeing. We fit well with these aims, and any option would have opportunities for shared activities, whether it is with the bee friendly garden, tree planting, sheds or other areas.

The remaining piece of the old cricket ground, would definitely be possible if there was some additional land added to it. This would be to ensure maintenance access to the pylon without the staff having to walk amongst the hives. There are thousands of bees flying out of colonies throughout Spring, Summer and Autumn and they cluster on people who get into their flight path near the hive. This makes a bee suit essential if people are close. Provided there is some planting of trees and shrubs round the hives they rarely trouble people, as they disperse quickly to find forage and water. Bees die if they sting anyone so this is definitely not their preferred option!

Buckinghamshire Schools

Last in this short report, but by no means least, is the work we do with children. Schools, Brownie packs, Out of School clubs etc have all asked us to visit. This is difficult as we currently have to carry all kit, plus the Observation Hive with live bees if we can, to the schools. Having an area where schools could come to us and we could show them behind a glass wall, with AV equipment connecting, would be ideal.



Mid Bucks Beekeepers Association

Chairman: Jane Newman President: John Dadswell
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Report for Wendover Parish Council and HS2 liaison from MBBKA Chairman

History and Rationale for involving Wendover and HS2

2026 is the Mid Bucks BKA 60th anniversary. We have had an apiary for the purposes of education of new and existing beekeepers on the Hampden Fields site for most of that time in a 'gentlemen's agreement' with the Council. The land was sold to Taylor Wimpey (TW) and we will be moving when they reach the point of requiring it, sometime in the next year or two.

Weston Turville PC kindly supported us in negotiation with TW and they came up with a smaller site off the Marroway where we could place our apiary and sheds. We gratefully agreed to this despite it not having adequate parking, and would still like to have it.

However, the situation regarding bees and education moves on and there are now more threats to bees than before. Two sites would help to counter the increasing threat of Yellow Legged Asian Hornets (YLAH) as they move inland from Europe, and from increasing bee diseases and contamination risks. See <https://bbka.org.uk/asian-hornet-incursion-map>

YLAH are extremely destructive of bees and have wiped out many colonies in Europe. They relentlessly attack colonies once they find them, so not having too many hives in one small area is wise. If one of the sites is wiped out by hornets, we can use bees from the other apiary to repopulate.

In addition, we would greatly like to develop education of the public by having a facility where we can show them live bees, in a protected environment where adults and children don't require a bee suit. This has been successfully done in other parts of the country such as:

- <https://quincehoneyfarm> and
- <https://www.northdorsetbeekeepers.org.uk/honey-bee-centre/>

Both of these centres are income generating and attract a large public footfall. They fulfil a widely diverse list of benefits, helping to educate the wider public about bees and the impact they have on the environment, teaching them not to be scared of bees, about bee friendly plants and biodiversity. Additionally, they provide mental health support, with family friendly outings and social interaction in a kindly environment. They can be used for plant and insect research too. Mid Bucks BKA has of the order of 200 active beekeepers, many of whom are influential nationally which is a resource many areas don't have to draw on.

We feel that Wendover is ideally placed to be a focus for bees and the opportunity that reclaiming land provides, after the completion of HS2, is one we would very much like to be part of.



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The most serious threat to the club's survival in recent years emerged in 2019, when Wendover FC was informed of John Colet School's intention to construct a 4G all-weather pitch directly on top of the club's long-standing men's pitch in front of the clubhouse. This development placed the very future of the club in jeopardy, with the real possibility that no suitable space would remain for Wendover FC to continue its activities.

Through tireless lobbying and determined leadership by then-chairman Bruno Passaro, the club fought to secure a solution. Eventually, the school agreed to renovate an unused grass pitch approximately 400 metres further along the site, making it available for Wendover FC to hire. While this ensured the club's survival, it came at a significant cost, an annual hire increase of around 500% compared to previous rates. And also, that the pitch would not be accessible until the 4G project was fully completed.

During the 18-month construction period, Wendover FC was forced to play its home fixtures away from John Colet, relying on council-run pitches and absorbing further financial strain. Despite these challenges, the club once again demonstrated its resilience, perseverance, and unwavering commitment to continuing football in Wendover.

Scope:

We are seeking to relocate to a fixed, permanent home, one that is truly sustainable and capable of supporting Wendover Football Club for the next 130 years. In recent seasons, the club's growth has been constrained by rising costs and financial uncertainty. For too long, survival has depended on the generosity of sponsors and the commitment of our own players, who have faced steadily increasing membership and signing-on fees simply to offset the club's escalating expenses.

Owning and operating our own pitch would transform the club's future. It would allow us to reduce player fees, making the club more accessible and encouraging greater participation across all age groups. A permanent, village-based home would also enable us to reconnect more closely with the local community, welcoming residents to attend matches, support the team, and engage with the club as a central part of village life.

With a clubhouse and community hall located alongside our own pitch, the opportunities for growth would be significant. Fundraising and charity events would become far more practical, while the club could once again host tournaments, family days, and community activities throughout the summer closed season. These events, once a cornerstone of the club, have become increasingly difficult to deliver under the restrictions of our current arrangements. A permanent home would allow Wendover FC to thrive not only as a football club, but as a lasting community asset.

Community benefit:

We aim to continue providing a meaningful sporting pathway for adults as they transition from youth football into adulthood, supporting players from their late teens right through to their retirement years. At present, opportunities for 17- and 18-year-olds are increasingly limited, with many junior clubs withdrawing Under-17 and Under-18 teams. This is often due to young people leaving home for university, entering full-time employment after school, or the recent rise of college-based football academy programmes.

Wendover Football Club seeks to bridge this growing gap. Our vision is to set the standard locally by offering a welcoming, inclusive environment that prioritises both competitive football and personal development. By combining structured support with strong social values, we aim to foster character, camaraderie, and long-term engagement in the game—ensuring football remains accessible, enjoyable, and beneficial for players of all ages.



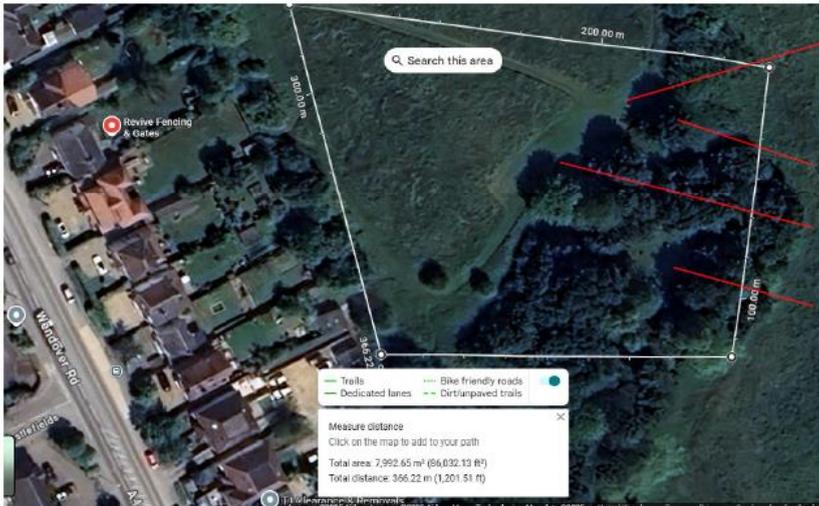
The **Mid Bucks Beekeepers Association** was founded in 1966 to serve the needs of beekeepers in central Buckinghamshire and is one of four local associations within the county of Buckinghamshire.

With more than 200 members, the **MBBKA** has a thriving and active membership who strive to support their fellow beekeepers, as well as providing related educational services to the wider community.

<https://mbbka.org.uk/>



MBBKA Current Apiary



NB the access is frequently used by local dog walkers, with no issues.
Signage up to warn people against going into the clearing with the hives

Sheds for storing equipment

Large Parking area

Hives in the clearing surrounded by trees

This current site is owned by Taylor Wimpey, and has been flagged for development, we don't have definite timescales for eviction as yet

MBBKA Current Apiary



Layout of the hives

Regular refresher training for members



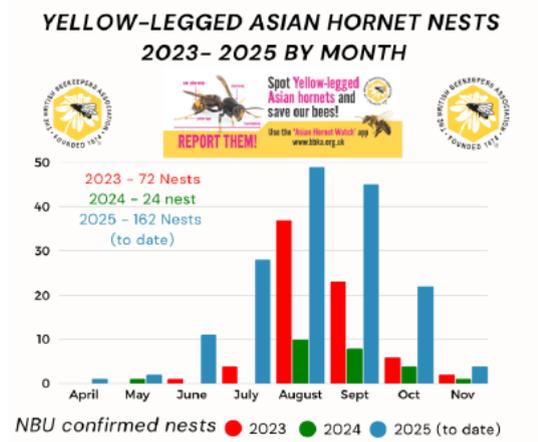
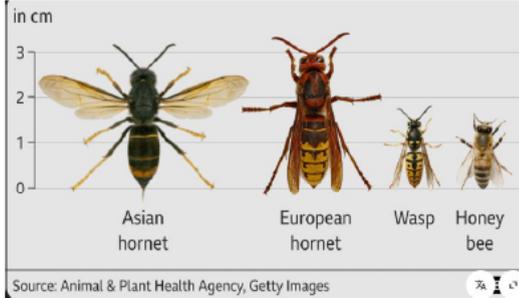
In The Community – Education

2025 School Visits	Ages
John Hampden Wendover	4&5
Bubblewrap Afterschool Club	7 to 11
Brushwood Junior School, Chesham	7 to 11
Princes Day care centre - up to 15 clients	18 to 60
Hawridge & Cholesbury School	7 to 10
Big Top Nursery - Aylesbury	2 to 3
Broughton Juniors - Aylesbury	7



Asian Hornets

The Asian hornet (*Vespa velutina*), also known as the yellow-legged hornet or Asian predatory wasp, is a species of [hornet indigenous to Southeast Asia](#). It is of concern as an [invasive species](#) in some other countries, including most of Europe



A mature [Asian hornet](#) (*Vespa velutina*) nest typically contains an average of 6,000 individuals by the end of the summer. A colony of 5,000–6,000 hornets can consume approximately 11kg of insects in a season.



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History:

Founded in 1895, Wendover Football Club is a proud institution woven into the fabric of the local community. Across more than a century, the club has weathered extraordinary challenges, from two world wars to the COVID-19 pandemic, yet has continually endured, providing generations of young men from Wendover, Buckinghamshire, and the surrounding areas with the opportunity to play the game they love.

In its early years, the club called Bryant's Acre home, before moving to Ashbrook Park post-World War 2. Following housing construction in the early 1950s, where it remained for the next 2 decades. A significant new chapter began in 1972, when the Parish Council relocated the club to the John Colet grounds. The original pitch was positioned where the school sports hall now stands, before later being moved to its current location directly in front of the clubhouse and changing facilities.

It was here that Wendover FC truly flourished for over three decades, enjoying sustained success on the pitch. Among its proudest achievements are multiple triumphs in the Oving Village Cup, England's longest-running football cup competition. Lifted by the club in 1947, the trophy was claimed numerous more times including the below victory in 2021, perfectly capturing the enduring spirit, resilience, and tradition of Wendover Football Club.



The club has also enjoyed many memorable tours and return fixtures with Wendover's twin town, Liffre FC of France. Beginning in the early 1980s, both clubs took turns travelling across the Channel each Easter weekend for a celebration of football and friendship. Players and officials were welcomed into their hosts' homes, sharing not only matches on the pitch but lasting social connections off it.

These exchanges forged strong bonds between the two clubs, friendships that continue to this day and remain a proud part of Wendover FC's history. Pictured here are Wendover FC captain Kieron Thomas (right) and Liffre FC captain Bruno Bourcier during one such visit in 1990.



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Outlay & vision.

U17s & 18s > 19-40s > 40s – 60s > 60s +
 Wendover FC development > Wendover FC > Wendover FC vets > Wendover FC walking

Requirements:

Pitch
 As a minimum, the adult grass pitch will require a levelled playing area measuring approximately 100m x 60m. The pitch should be constructed to an entry-level secondary standard, incorporating appropriate ground drainage with sand or gravel banding to ensure durability and year-round usability.

Clubhouse
 To comply with FA regulations, a clubhouse incorporating separate changing facilities for home and away teams will be required. These facilities must include suitable washing and shower amenities. The proposed footprint for the building is approximately 50m x 25m, constructed on a hardstanding base and supported by a cold-water supply and a 63-amp single-phase electrical connection, with a TN-C-S earthing arrangement.

Access
 Safe and reliable road access is essential, with priority routes for emergency services to both the clubhouse and pitch side. In addition, pedestrian footpath access from the village should be provided to ensure safe and convenient access for players, officials, and supporters.

Additional Space
 It would be highly desirable for additional land to be available at the far end of the pitch, measuring approximately 50m x 50m, to allow for future development. This space could support expanded activities such as small-sided summer football, midweek training sessions, or a dedicated playing area for the club's affiliated senior walking football team.

