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Summons for 2026 Parish Council Meeting Backwell Parish Council (Quorum 5)

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To Councillors,

You are summoned to attend the next Parish Council Meeting which will take place on **Thursday 1st October 2026 at 19:30 hours at BACKWELL PARISH HALL** to consider the business set out on the attached Agenda. In the event of you being unable to attend, will you kindly advise me at the earliest opportunity.

Members are reminded that they are required to provide a Declaration of Interests prior to the appropriate Agenda item and should state the nature of the interest. The Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights.



Clare Melton
Clerk to the Council

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Cllr J Gordon
Cllr B Harland
Cllr P Harris
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Notice of Full Council Meeting and Agenda
Backwell Parish Council

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Date: Thursday 1st October 2026
Time: 7:30pm
Venue: Backwell Parish Hall
Public Participation: Members of the public may speak during Item 2 Agenda items only.

1. Administration

1.1. To receive apologies for absence
1.2. To receive declarations of interest and consider written applications for dispensations
1.3. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 3rd September 2026

2. Public Participation

2.1. To receive public questions and statements (10 minutes maximum)

3. Reports

3.1. To receive a report from the District Councillor
3.2. To receive communications from the Chairman
3.3. To answer questions from Councillors
3.4. To receive and note the Minutes of the Planning and Placemaking Committee meeting held on 17.09.26
3.5. To receive an update from the Clerk
3.6. To receive an update from the Rights of Ways and Highways Working Party
   a) To consider and approve in principle whether to seek legal advice regarding the footpath from the Jubilee Stone
   b) To consider whether to apply for Tree Preservation Orders (TPOs) for the trees that are on the lane that adjoins the Playing Fields at the end of Rushmoor Lane
3.7. To receive an update from the Enhancement Working Party
3.8. To receive an update from the Finance Working Party
   i) To approve accepting a late grant application from Backwell Junior School PTA for funding for football kit
3.9. To receive an update on Downside

4. Planning

4.1. To receive an update on major planning sites within the parish, including:
   a) Sites with planning outline permission granted (e.g. Grove Farm)
      i) To note the response to the Grove Farm Reserved Matters application (26/P/1443/RM), prepared by Lucy White Planning Ltd on behalf of BPC
   b) Sites with full consent at Reserved Matters stage or subject to Discharge of Conditions of Active (e.g. Farleigh Fields East and West, Land West of Rodney Road)
      i) To discuss and approve the draft report on Farleigh Fields West Drainage
   c) Sites at pre-application stage or subject to emerging proposals (e.g. Land East of Backwell, Land North of Farleigh Road, South Nailsea)

i) To discuss and approve the draft response to Mac Mic's application 26/P/1324/OU2 Land North of Farleigh Road

4.2. To receive an update on the Local Green Space

4.3. To receive an update on the Local Plan

i) To approve a 50% contribution (£4,000 plus VAT) for Hashi Mohamed KC's briefing time regarding the Local Plan examination, with the remaining 50% to be funded by Nailsea Town Council (further to the expenditure approved in Minute 937, 5th February 2026)

4.4. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan

a) To receive an update on for planning ahead for young people
b) To receive an update on the safe route to school project

4.5. To receive an update on Bristol Airport

4.6. To receive and consider the monthly report from Lucy White Planning Ltd

4.7. To consider and determine the Council's response to planning applications received prior to the meeting, as set out in the Planning document circulated separately to members, and any applications received after publication of the Agenda

4.8. To consider and determine the Council's response to the Government's consultation on Planning Powers for Mayors in England

5. Transport and Infrastructure

5.1. To receive an update on the Bus Services Improvement Plan

5.2. To receive an update on Vehicle Activated Signs

6. Environment and Community

6.1. To receive an update on tree planting locations

6.2. To receive an update on the digital noticeboard

6.3. To receive an update on the ditch clearance at Backwell Allotments

a) To receive an update on the quote for the further ditch excavation

6.4. To receive an update on the invitation from North Somerset Council's Senior Anti-Social Behaviour Officer

6.5. To receive an update on the screening of *People's Emergency Briefing*.

7. Governance and Policy

7.1. To review the Policies and Procedures Schedule:

a) To consider and approve updated Press and Media Policy
b) To consider and approve updated Backwell Honours Board Policy
c) To consider and approve updated Equality and Diversity Policy

8. Contracts and maintenance

8.1. To consider and determine the quotation for new Backwell Christmas Tree lights at a cost of:

a) Multicoloured lights - non flashing @ £688.07 plus VAT
b) Multicoloured lights - with 10% cool white flash @ £751.19 plus VAT

8.2. To consider decorating or painting the old metal barriers that surround the Christmas tree

8.3. To note the written agreement with Bicknell Holdings Plc regarding the digital noticeboard situated on the corner of Rodney Road and West Town Road

8.4. To consider and approve the quotation for weed control spray around the village at a cost of £695.00 exc VAT

8.5. To note the contract with Lebara as the network provider for the digital noticeboard, at a monthly cost of £10.00, with the first three months charged at £5.00

9. Finance

9.1. To receive and consider Receipts and Payments schedule for October 2026 (Checked by a member of the Finance Working Party prior to the meeting)

9.2. To authorise expenditure for the month of October 2026

9.3. To receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Statement of Accounts and Cashbook

9.4. To note the following, authorised under the Clerk's delegated authority:

a) Sim card and monthly fee for use in the digital noticeboard purchased from Lebara at a cost of £5.00

b) Stone chippings for the Allotments purchased from Tarmac at a cost of £390.00 plus VAT

9.5. To note that following the implementation of the 2026/27 National Joint Council (NJC) pay award, staff salaries have been updated accordingly, and backdated pay from 1st April 2026 will be processed in the October payroll

9.6. To consider and approve the implementation of a temporary fund transfer process for the NatWest account, as recommended by the Finance Working Party, pending further research into long-term options

10. Confidential

That pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting for the following items due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

10.1. To receive an update on the Local Green Space, determine any next steps and agree any necessary authorisations

10.2. To receive an update on *Backwell as a Strategic Site*

10.3. To agree a reserve fund of up to £24,000 to ensure Backwell Parish Council can uphold our Planning and Placemaking principle.

10.4. To note the calculated new pay rates and backdated pay amounts for staff in relation to Agenda item 9.5

10.5. To consider and determine a proposal to increase the Clerk's contracted working hours, following successful completion of CiLCA

11. Meeting Dates

To note the date of the next meeting as Thursday 5th November 2026 to be held in Backwell Parish Hall at 7:30pm

Dated this 25th day of September 2026



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Appendix 1 – Planning Applications

Backwell Parish Council Full Council Meeting 3rd September 2026

Agenda item 4.7

a) **26/P/0693/FUH – Fallowfield, Backwell Hill, Backwell (Reconsultation)**
Proposed creation of a first-floor with rear balcony, erection of a two storey side extension with external stairway and canopy porch to the East elevation.
Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) objects to this amended application.

While BPC appreciates the submission of additional diagrams and illustrations with these revised plans, the overall scheme does not appear to have been scaled back.

The adjustments made do not adequately address the primary reasons for the objection previously raised. This objection is made in regard to the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) and North Somerset Council's adopted Core Strategy and Sites and Policies Plan Part 1.

Scale, Height and Design Clarity

- **Recognition of Amendments: BPC acknowledges the additional illustrations and revised plans; however, the proposal still represents a substantial scale with a volume increase of over 100% relative to the original structure. The scheme has not been scaled back in any meaningful way**
- **Impact & Visibility: Despite the updated diagrams, the height and overall massing remain oversized and out of character for the area. The plot remains highly visible to neighbouring properties due to low boundaries**
- **Balcony & First-Floor Plans: The revised drawings still fail to clearly demonstrate the direct overlook impact from the proposed rear balcony. Furthermore, the first-floor plan remains overlaid on top of the original layout, making it difficult to assess the exact changes. BPC continues to request a clear, standalone drawing of the proposed first floor for full transparency**
- **Policy Reference: NPPF Chapter 12; North Somerset Policies DM32 and DM38.**

Green Belt and Conservation Area Considerations

- **Appropriateness: The amendments do not alter the fact that the property is situated within the Green Belt and a Conservation Area**
- **Policy Reference: NPPF Chapters 13 and 16; North Somerset Policies DM3 and DM12.**

Bat and Ecology Considerations

- **Ecological Position: BPC notes the photographs submitted to the Natural Environment department demonstrating that the roof is currently in a stripped-back state, offering no present opportunities for bat roosting. On this**

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basis, BPC accepts the ecologist's revised position regarding roosting potential on site

- **Lighting Strategy Requirement: Given the site's sensitive location relative to the North Somerset and Mendip Bats SAC corridor and Brockley Hall Stables SSSI, BPC requests that if the planning officer is minded to approve the application, strict lighting conditions must be attached as outlined in the Ecologist's response, securing appropriate low-level, bat-friendly lighting and Lux controls**
- **Policy Reference: NPPF Chapter 15; North Somerset Policies CS4 and DM8; North Somerset and Mendip Bats SAC SPD.**

Use Restrictions, HMO Concerns, and Highway Impact

- **Potential for Intensified Use / HMO: The inclusion of external stairways strongly suggests an intention for potential independent living or House in Multiple Occupation (HMO) use. An HMO or intensified short-term let use in this Green Belt location would be exceptionally challenging on what is a highly car-dependent site**
- **Traffic & Highway Constraints: The site is car-dependent along a narrow, constrained rural lane. The amendments do not mitigate the potential traffic impact**
- **Use Conditions: BPC maintains its request for robust planning conditions explicitly prohibiting use as an Airbnb, short-term holiday let, or HMO to prevent exacerbated traffic on Backwell Hill**
- **Policy Reference: NPPF Chapter 9; North Somerset Policy DM24, DM28, and Parking Standards SPD.**

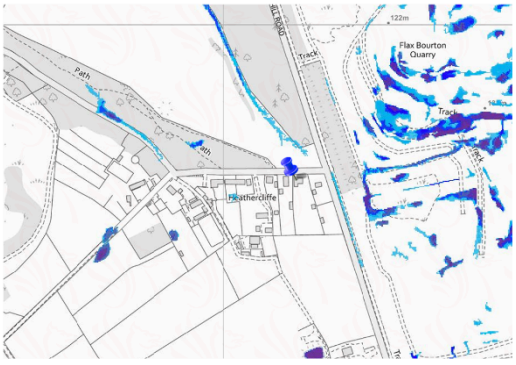
Construction Traffic Management Plan (CTMP)

If the officer is minded to approve the following should be conditioned:

- **Due to single-track road constraints and HGV restrictions, BPC re-iterates the necessity of a conditioned CTMP (restricting delivery times, delivery vehicle sizes, and working hours to 8:00am-5:00pm Mon-Fri and 8:00am-1:00pm Sat)**
- **Simple CTMPs have been conditioned in similar locations within the Parish, indeed further along this road. (see Cherrywood) BPC is supportive of these kinds of safety mitigation measures.**

Surface Water Drainage, Flood Risk, and Waste Storage

Surface water map:



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- **Drainage: The increased roof area from the unreduced design still risks accelerating surface water run-off down Backwell Hill. A Sustainable Drainage System (SuDS) or soakaway scheme must be secured by condition**
- **Waste Provision: Details on recycling and waste storage remain omitted and must be conditioned.**
- **Policy Reference: NPPF Chapters 12 and 14; North Somerset Policies DM1 and DM32.**

Committee Referral Request

If the planning officer is minded to approve this amended application without securing clearer standalone first-floor plans and the required conditions (drainage, CTMP, low-level lighting controls, and explicit use restrictions against HMO/holiday lets), BPC formally requests that the application be referred to the Planning Committee for determination.

b) 26/P/1660/NMA – Land At Farleigh Fields And 54 And 56 Farleigh Road Backwell
Non-Material amendment to application 23/P/2508/RM (Reserved matters application for matters of access (internal only), appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 90no. dwellings, including provision of an additional 6no. self build plots which will be subject to separate reserved matters application(s) pursuant to Outline permission 21/P/1766/OUT (Outline planning application for demolition of 54 and 56 Farleigh Road; residential development of up to 125 dwellings (Class C3); strategic landscaping and earthworks, surface water drainage and all other ancillary infrastructure and enabling works with means of site access (excluding internal roads) from the new junction off Farleigh Road for approval; all other matters (internal access, layout, appearance, scale and landscaping) reserved for subsequent approval.)) to allow for the addition of parking bays to the site entrance.
Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) has no objection to this application and supports the addition of the parking bays, subject to the following conditions being met:

1. **Surface Materials: In accordance with the approved masterplan, all of those parking spaces in the bay must be constructed using grasscrete therefore the three additional spaces must be made of grasscrete (meaning the three currently proposed as tarmac should be changed to grasscrete to maintain consistency across the entire bay)**
2. **Signage & Restrictions: Clear, permanent signage must be installed indicating that the spaces are strictly for Car Club, residents, and visitors only; as Backwell experiences significant unofficial airport parking, unallocated spaces without explicit signage would become prime targets for long-stay holidaymakers.**

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Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) objects to this application due to significant concerns regarding the extent of the proposed felling.

- **Lack of Definitive Justification: BPC notes that the submitted Arboricultural Statement prepared on behalf of Esure is not definitive; its conclusions are based on probabilities and explicitly recommend further investigation. Complete tree removal is therefore premature and unproven**
- **Conservation Area & Screen Value: This property is located within a Conservation Area. While the sycamore is the largest tree on site and an obvious candidate for felling due to its lower arboricultural value, the ash and birch trees appear healthy, are situated along the boundary, and are furthest from the house. These boundary trees provide vital screening for the property against noise, air pollutants, and intrusive headlights from the busy A370**
- **Appropriate Action (Wisteria & Laurel): BPC agrees with the survey's observations regarding vegetation near the structure at the house ground level-the wisteria and laurel growing directly at the base of the house are the most obvious candidates for removal to protect the building from potential structural damage**
- **BPC is confused by the report which clearly indicated the Sycamore T1 as the key target with everything else requiring regular pruning yet the application is for a further 5 trees to be removed**
- **Request for Site Visit: BPC requests a formal site visit by the North Somerset Council Tree Officer to independently assess the trees and determine a proportionate resolution before any major works or felling are permitted. If felling is ultimately deemed necessary, robust native replacement planting must be secured by condition. Following a site visit and assessment BPC will support the recommendations of the tree officer**

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Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 3rd September 2026 at 19:30 in Backwell Parish Hall
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PRESENT: Councillors Sarah Ould (Chairman), Mo Bowerman, John Gordon, Barbara Harland, Charles Hatcher, Paddy Horner, Margaret Rogers Bob Taylor and Anthony Young

IN ATTENDANCE: Clare Melton (Clerk), District Councillor Bridget Petty, one member of the public

1. Administration

1.1 To receive apologies for absence

479. Cllrs Harris, Hollis, Robert Martin and Hilary Power

1.2 To receive declarations of interest and consider written applications for dispensations

480. Personal interest:
Cllr Harland – Agenda item 4.1b) – Backwell resident
Cllr Rogers – Agenda item 4.1b) – Backwell resident
Cllr Bowerman – Agenda item 4.1c) – Backwell resident

481. Prejudicial interest:
None.

482. Disclosable Pecuniary Interests:
None.

1.3 To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 6th August 2026

483. The Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held on 6th August 2026 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

1.4 To consider nominations for inclusion on the Honours Board in Backwell Parish Hall

484. Members considered nominations for inclusion on the Honours Board in Backwell Parish Hall. Cllr Gordon proposed that the nomination process be publicised more widely. **Agreed**.

485. **Action**: Clerk to implement.

486. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the nomination of Doreen Smith for inclusion on the Honours Board in Backwell Parish Hall.**

2. Public Participation

2.1 To receive public questions and statements (10 minutes maximum)

487. A resident informed members that Jean Routley received her British Empire Medal (BEM) yesterday in recognition of her services to church music and the local community. The Council noted the achievement and offered its congratulations.

488. The resident then requested an update regarding the Local Green Space (LGS). Although the item was already listed on the Agenda, Cllr Ould advised that there were no major developments to report at present, other than a recent meeting with an ecologist.

3. Reports

3.1 To receive a report from the District Councillor

489. Dt Cllr Petty had no further additions to her previously submitted written report.

3.2 To receive communications from the Chairman

490. Cllr Ould reported that she had asked Cllr Young to review upcoming changes to planning legislation and the associated consultation. Cllr Young provided members with a brief overview, and it was **agreed** that Cllr Young would draft a response to the consultation for consideration at the next meeting. Members were encouraged to forward any comments or questions to Cllr Young in the interim.

3.3 To answer questions from Councillors

491. No questions received.

3.4 To receive and note the Minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 20.08.26

492. Received and noted.

3.5 To receive an update from the Clerk

493. No update this month.

3.6 To receive an update from the Rights of Ways and Highways Working Party

494. Cllr Power submitted a written report to members prior to the meeting in her absence. Topics covered included the Farleigh Road overnight closure, construction of the new footpath on NSC land near West Leigh Infant School, and the proposed Mic Mac bypass road.

3.7 To receive an update from the Enhancement Working Party

495. Cllr Bowerman requested that members collect pinecones for the Over 60s Tea Party. Members were also reminded to drop off any donated raffle items at the Parish Office.

3.8 To receive an update from the Finance Working Party

496. Cllr Ould reported that the Finance Working Party had been unable to meet in advance of the meeting, and therefore no recommendations would be presented to members for consideration this month.

497. Cllr Taylor informed members that the Finance Working Party would shortly be reviewing the Grant Application list. It was noted that the six-month financial review would be presented at the October meeting, and that budget planning is now under way.

3.9 To receive an update on Downside

498. Cllr Harland reported that the temporary bus stop at Downside was now operational and being used.

499. An update was received regarding Bristol Airport, noting that a meeting with key organisations was scheduled to take place in early October.

4. Planning

500. Cllr Ould handed over to Cllr Harland as Chair of Planning.

4.1 To receive an update on major planning sites within the parish, including:

a) Sites with planning outline permission granted (e.g. Grove Farm)

i) To receive an update on the planned road closure of Chelvey Road in relation to Grove Farm

501. Cllr Harland advised that a joint meeting with Brockley Parish Council, North Somerset Council (NSC), and Highways is taking place next week, to be led by Transport Consultant Neil Brant Highways on BPC's behalf

ii) To note the letter to North Somerset Council regarding drainage issues at Grove Farm

502. Noted

b) Sites with full consent at Reserved Matters stage or subject to Discharge of Conditions of Active (e.g. Farleigh Fields East and West, Land West of Rodney Road)

503. Cllr Harland reported that issues regarding noisy manhole covers at Farleigh Fields East were ongoing. It was noted that previous welding attempts on the covers had proven unsuccessful, and disturbance to residents continues

504. Cllr Harland reported that the two-week demolition phase at Farleigh Fields West (Dark Lane) had proceeded reasonably well, with mitigation works scheduled to commence in early October. It was noted that the Construction Distribution and Traffic Management Plan (CDTMP) is comprehensive, and Cllr Harland confirmed she would monitor operations to ensure compliance

i) To receive an update on Taylor Wimpey's proposal to use land adjacent to West Leigh Infant School as a temporary car park until December 2027 in relation to Land West of Rodney Road

505. Cllr Harland informed members that the new paved footpath linking Rodney Road to West Leigh Infant School would open on Monday 7th September. Additionally, Taylor Wimpey have confirmed they will set back the Heras fencing to enclose only the car park perimeter, improving access along the path

c) Sites at pre-application stage or subject to emerging proposals (e.g. Land East of Backwell, Land North of Farleigh Road, South Nailsea, Land North Of Farleigh Road)

506. Cllr Harland reported that, whilst the deadline for resident comments regarding the MacMic application for Land North of Farleigh Road had been extended to 11th September, residents can continue to submit feedback after this date up until determination

507. Cllr Harland reported that Gleesons had recently submitted new documentation regarding the South Nailsea development. It was noted that Cllr Horner would review these details ahead of the next Planning and Placemaking Committee meeting, and Cllr Harland confirmed she is liaising with Nailsea Town Council to coordinate their response

4.2 To receive an update on the Local Green Space

508. Cllr Harland informed members that due diligence was ongoing. It was noted that a recent meeting with an NSC Ecologist had been very helpful in providing valuable background knowledge and context for the Council

4.3 To receive an update on the Local Plan

509. Cllr Harland informed members that she, Cllr Horner, and a small team of consultants are scheduled to meet with the Barrister next month regarding the Local Plan

4.4 To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan

510. Cllr Harland reported that projects regarding youth provision and active travel, specifically focusing on safe routes to school, were now getting underway. Cllr Ould advised that Cllrs Young and Rogers had been requested to lead the active travel initiative. Additionally, Dt Cllr Petty noted that she could provide a contact at NSC who may be able to assist by providing background information

a) To consider Highways Consultant JR Transport Planning fee proposal of £3,250.00 plus VAT, for work related to producing a safety report with suggested mitigation to improve children's walking routes to school in Backwell village, with a focus on West Leigh and Backwell Junior Schools

511. Members reviewed the fee proposal submitted by JR Transport Planning. It was noted that the cost of these services could be considered for funding through Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funds

512. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the fee proposal of £3,250.00 plus VAT from JR Transport Planning to produce a safety report with suggested mitigation for children's walking routes to school**

b) To discuss next steps for planning ahead for young people

513. Cllr Ould reported that she would be asking Cllrs Gordon and Hollis to lead an audit of the youth services currently available within the village. Cllr Gordon noted that Long Ashton Parish Council had recently conducted a similar survey, suggesting that their approach could serve as a useful model for Backwell

4.5 To receive an update on Bristol Airport

514. Cllr Harland provided an update on a recent useful meeting with Bristol Airport regarding their 15mppa application. Discussions covered concerns over safety, passenger numbers, and early morning flight schedules, alongside commitments to address local impacts on Downside and potential funding support for parking schemes to mitigate airport traffic in Backwell

4.6 To receive and consider the monthly report from Lucy White Planning Ltd

515. Received and noted

4.7 To consider and determine the Council's response to planning applications received prior to the meeting, as set out in the Planning document circulated separately to members, and any applications received after publication of the Agenda
(BPC's decisions submitted to NSC are set out below; full details and reasons are included in Appendix 1)

a) 26/P/0693/FUH Fallowfield, Backwell Hill, Backwell (Reconsultation)
Proposed creation of a first-floor with rear balcony, erection of a two-storey side extension with external stairway and canopy porch to the East elevation

516. **Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) objects to this amended application**

b) 26/P/1660/NMA Land At Farleigh Fields And 54 And 56 Farleigh Road Backwell
Non-Material amendment to application 23/P/2508/RM (Reserved matters application for matters of access (internal only), appearance, landscaping, layout and scale for the erection of 90no. dwellings, including provision of an additional 6no. self build plots which will be subject to separate reserved matters application(s) pursuant to Outline permission 21/P/1766/OUT

517. **Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) has no objection to this application and supports the addition of the parking bays, subject to conditions being met**

c) 26/P/1498/TRCA 98 West Town Road Backwell BS48 3BE
T1 -Mixed species group T2 - Ash T3 - Ash T4 - Ash T5 - Ash T1- Hazel (common)- The tree works are proposed to stop the influence of the tree(s) on the soil below building foundation level and provide long term stability

518. **Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) objects to this application**

due to significant concerns regarding the extent of the proposed felling.

5. Transport and Infrastructure

5.1 To receive an update on the Bus Services Improvement Plan

519. Members noted that resurfacing works on the A370 were currently underway, with overnight closures in effect to facilitate the project

5.2 To consider a request for support for a proposed school holiday bus service connecting Bristol, Long Ashton, Flax Bourton, Backwell, Nailsea and Yatton

520. Members discussed the request and **agreed** to issue a letter of support, noting that no financial commitment or support is involved.

6. Environment and Community

6.1 To receive an update on tree planting locations

521. No update was given, although it was noted that an email regarding tree planting support had been received during the week

6.2 To receive an update on the digital noticeboard

522. Cllr Martin has visited the site ahead of the installation of the concrete plinth and power cabling. The Clerk confirmed that notification had been received confirming the digital noticeboard is undergoing final checks prior to dispatch

6.3 To receive an update on the ditch clearance at Backwell Allotments

523. Members discussed ongoing research to establish ownership of the drain

a) To receive an update on the quote for the further ditch excavation

524. It was **agreed** to defer consideration of any further action to the next meeting, pending clarification of potential costs

6.4 To note the revised quotation of £9,374.56 plus VAT from £6,482.89 plus VAT for the provision of a second springer at Moor Lane Play Area, totalling four springers up from three, as agreed under Minute 452

525. Noted

6.5 To receive an update on the invitation from North Somerset Council's Senior Anti-Social Behaviour Officer

526. No update in Cllr Power's absence

6.6 To receive an update on the proposed screening of People's Emergency Briefing

527. Cllr Ould informed members that the screening will take place on 24th September in the Parish Hall and encouraged attendance.

7. Governance and Policy

7.1 To review the Policies and Procedures Schedule:

a) To consider and approve updated Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy and new risk assessment

528. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the updated Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy and new risk assessment**

b) To consider and approve the Collaborative Construction in Backwell Policy

529. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the Collaborative Construction in Backwell Policy**

c) To consider and approve the Resident Guide to Risk-Aware & Respectful Renovation

530. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the Resident Guide to Risk-Aware & Respectful Renovation**

d) To consider and approve the CTMP Requirements for major developments within the village

531. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the CTMP Requirements for major developments within the village**

e) To consider and approve the updated Investment Strategy

532. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the updated Investment Strategy**

7.2 To consider and approve the updated Terms of Reference for the Planning and Place Making Committee

533. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the updated Terms of Reference for the Planning and Place Making Committee.**

8. Contracts and maintenance

8.1 To receive an update on the disposal of unused items in the Parish Office

534. The Clerk reported on the clear-out and compliant disposal of obsolete office items, including chairs and filing cabinets. It was also noted that unusable IT equipment had been transferred to PC Dial for secure data wiping and recycling where possible

8.2 To consider quotation for £695.00 plus VAT to supply and install a hard-wired video door security system to the Parish Office

535. Members considered the security quotation. The Clerk provided context regarding the necessity of the system following an incident involving aggressive behaviour from a member of the public

536. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the quotation of £695.00 plus VAT to supply and install a hard-wired video door security system at the Parish Office**

8.3 To discuss Christmas lighting and whether further works are required to the electrical timers

537. Members discussed the maintenance and timing requirements for the festive lighting. It was noted that contractors advised keeping the LED lights illuminated overnight is more cost-effective than replacing the timers. Members considered the potential local impact, noting that the lights remained on all night during the previous year without complaint and that bat activity is minimal due to winter hibernation. As the Parish Council is only one year into a three-year contract, it was **agreed** to review the replacement of timers upon contract renewal.

9. Finance

9.1 To receive and consider Receipts and Payments schedule for September 2026 (Checked by a member of the Finance Working Party prior to the meeting)

538. Received and noted.

9.2 To authorise expenditure for the month of September 2026

539. The Clerk informed Members of an error on the Receipts and Payments Schedule, noting that the Unity T1 account bank charge should be £13.00 rather than £7.00

540. Noted

541. The Clerk reported thirteen additional payments totalling £3,429.34 (as detailed in Appendix 2) and a bank transfer of £25.00 from the Unity T2 account to the HSBC Savings account. This nominal amount was transferred to keep the HSBC account active while alternative options are explored

542. The confirmed total expenditure for the month, including the additions set out in Appendix 2, was £11,712.75

543. **Resolved: Unanimously Backwell Parish Council (BPC) authorise expenditure of £11,712.75**

9.3 To receive and note the Bank Reconciliation, Statement of Accounts and Cashbook

544. Received and noted

9.4 To note the following, authorised under the Clerk's delegated authority:

a) Attendance by Cllr Rogers on the ALCA Essential Councillor course on 23rd September 2026 at a cost of £45.00 inc. VAT

545. Noted

b) Attendance by Cllr Rogers on the Data Protection Training for Parish and Town Councillors course on 20th August 2026 at a cost of £35.00 inc VAT

546. Noted

c) Attendance by Cllr Hollis on the Climate Comeback: Growing climate action locally NALC course on 30th September 2026 at a cost of £35.00 plus VAT

547. Noted

9.5 To note the completion of the Annual Governance & Accountability Return 2025/26 and to receive the External Auditor's report

548. The Clerk reported that the AGAR 2025/26 and External Auditor's report have been successfully completed with no matters arising. Noted

549. Members expressed their thanks to the Clerk

9.6 To agree to continue to appoint Auditing Solutions Ltd to carry out the Internal Audit of BPC's accounts, at a maximum total cost of £825.00 plus VAT for two visits in December 2026 and April 2027

550. Members considered the re-appointment of Auditing Solutions Ltd and reviewed the Letter of Engagement

551. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) agree to re-appoint Auditing Solutions Ltd to carry out the Internal Audit of the Parish Council's accounts for the 2026-27 financial year at a maximum total cost of £825.00 plus VAT, to authorize the signing of the Letter of Engagement, and to formally confirm the Council's consideration of auditor independence. The Letter of Engagement was signed by the Chairman.**

10. **Confidential**

That pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting for the following items due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

552. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council agree that members of the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting.**

21:18 *Dt Cllr Petty and one member of the public left the meeting.*

10.1 To receive an update on Local Green Space, determine any next steps and agree any necessary authorisations

553. Cllr Ould informed Members that there was no further update at present beyond what had already been reported under minute item 4.2

10.2 To consider and approve the document Backwell as a Strategic Site

554. Cllr Harland explained the background to the document and answered questions.

555. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council approve the document 'Backwell as a Strategic Site' subject to final amendments.**

11. Meeting Dates

11.1 To note the date of the next meeting as Thursday 1st October 2026 to be held in Backwell Parish Hall at 7:30pm

556. Noted.

557. There being no further items of business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 21:30 hours.

Signed…….Chairman

APPENDIX 2 – AGENDA ITEMS 9.1 – 9.2

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 3RD SEPTEMBER 2026

	Name	Invoice no	Details	Date	Payment	Net Amount	VAT	Total
Receipts								
26:R12	HSBC	n/a	Bank interest to 22nd July 26	23.07.26	IN	£69.29	£0.00	£69.29
26:R13	NatWest	n/a	Bank interest	31.07.26	IN	£210.13	£0.00	£210.13
26:R14	HSBC	n/a	Bank interest to 23rd August 26	23.08.26	IN	£71.68	£0.00	£71.68
						£351.10	**£0.00**	**£351.10**
				Plus receipts received after Agenda		**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**
							GRAND TOTAL	**£351.10**

Corporate Purchasing Card				**Date**		**Net Amount**	**VAT**	**Total**
26:221	UK Printing	N/A	Lanyard printing	11.08.26	PURCHASE	£225.50	£45.10	£270.60
		N/A			PURCHASE	£0.00	£0	£0.00
					Total	**£225.50**	**£45.10**	**£270.60**

Payments								
PO24/	Jet Property Management	N/A	Office monthly rent September 2026	01.09.26	SO	£750.00	£0.00	£750.00
26:223	Lloyds Commerical Banking	N/A	Card monthly fee	27.07.26	CHG	£3.00	£0.00	£3.00
26:222	Unity Trust Bank	N/A	Unity T1 - bank charge 31 July 26	31.07.26	CHG	£13.00	£0.00	£13.00
26:240	North Somerset Council	800524702	Office fortnightly waste disposal	01.10.26	DD	£48.40	£0.00	£48.40
26:253	British Gas	727320201	Parish Office 15 July to 25 August 26	10.09.26	DD	£21.58	£1.07	£22.65
26:236	EDF	29118525	Parish Lighting 01 Jul-31 Jul 26	19.08.26	BACS	£163.84	£8.19	£172.03
26:234	ALCA	INV-23578	Essential Councillor Training - Cllr M Rogers	24.09.26	BACS	£45.00	£0.00	£45.00
26:227	CPS Grounds Ltd	INV-12355	Additional charges for June & July following price adjustment	03.09.26	BACS	£318.20	£63.64	£381.84
26:226	CPS Grounds Ltd	INV-12356	Moor Lane - hedge and shrub tidy up	03.09.26	BACS	£540.00	£108.00	£648.00
26:225	CPS Grounds Ltd	INV-12287	Grounds maintenance August	03.09.26	BACS	£446.06	£89.21	£535.27
26:237	ALCA	INV-23566	Cllr Training - Freedom of Information Cllr Rogers	03.09.26	BACS	£14.00	£0.00	£14.00
26:238	ALCA	INV-23567	Cllr Training - Freedom of Information Cllr Gordon	03.09.26	BACS	£14.00	£0.00	£14.00
26:235	ALCA	INV-23568	Cllr Training - Freedom of Information Cllr Young	03.09.26	BACS	£14.00	£0.00	£14.00
26:239	BDO LLP	INV-00869093	Audit review	03.09.26	BACS	£840.00	£168.00	£1,008.00
26:241	Vision	100282608	Photocopier technical service 24 July to 21 Aug	24.09.26	DD	£82.24	£16.45	£98.69
26:228/26:229/26:230/26:231	Staff salaries	N/A	Salaries Sept 2026	30.09.26	BACS	£4,214.87	£0.00	£4,214.87
26:242	A Symonds	N/A	Expenses - mileage	03.09.26	BACS	£5.06	£0.00	£5.06
								£0.00
				Corporate Purchasing Card		£225.50	£45.10	£270.60
						£7,758.75	**£499.66**	**£8,258.41**
				Plus invoices received after Agenda		**£3,341.84**	**£87.50**	**£3,429.34**
				Plus bank transfer after Agenda				**£25.00**
							GRAND TOTAL	**£11,712.75**

Bank transfers								
N/A	Unity T2	N/A	Lloyds Bank Corporate Card	10.08.26	IN	£17.93	£0.00	£17.93
								£0.00
			TOTAL			**£17.93**	**£0.00**	**£17.93**

BACKWELL PARISH COUNCIL

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 3RD SEPTEMBER 2026 (rec. post Agenda)

Payments

	Name	Invoice no	Details	Date	Payment	Net Amount	VAT	Total
26:248	CBS (Accounting) Lt	25806	Payroll services Aug 26	03.09.26	BACS	£27.50	£5.50	£33.00
26:233	NALC	INV-02113	Cllr Training - The Climate Comeback Cllr Hollis	03.09.26	BACS	£35.00	£7.00	£42.00
26:244	Mr A Savage	BCO 0012	Office cleaning, village orderly - August 2026	03.09.26	BACS	£748.00	£0.00	£748.00
26:252	Mr A Savage	BDB 0013	Litter bin monthly August 2026	03.09.26	BACS	£132.00	£0.00	£132.00
26:249	Mr A Savage	BDB 0013	Dog bin & litter bin monthly fee August 2026- **MOOR LANE**	03.09.26	BACS	£242.00	£0.00	£242.00
26:245	Mr A Savage	BDB 0013	Dog bin monthly fee August 2026	03.09.26	BACS	£286.00	£0.00	£286.00
26:246	PC Dial	PCD-INV-198	Business emails and IT support Aug 26	01.09.26	SO	£220.00	£44.00	£264.00
26:253	Virgin Media	747067601/0 01/0826	Office internet and phone 18 Sept-17 Oct 26	18.09.26	DD	£43.00	£8.60	£51.60
26:254	EDF		Parish Office electricity Aug 26	26.09.26	BACS	£48.07	£2.40	£50.47
26:256	Avon Pension Fund	N/A	Pension contributions - Aug 2026 (mth 5)	03.09.26	BACS	£1,331.09	£0.00	£1,331.09
26:255	HM Revenue & Customs	N/A	PAYE & NI – Aug 2026 (mth 5)	06.09.26	BACS	£125.49	£0.00	£125.49
26:250	GB Sports & Leisure	20767	Operational playground inspections - August 26	03.09.26	BACS	£50.00	£10.00	£60.00
26:247	G.Wells	N/A	Allotment expenses (wheelbarrow tyre & vouchers for Village Show prizes)	03.09.26	BACS	£53.69	£10.00	£63.69
			TOTAL			**£3,341.84**	**£87.50**	**£3,429.34**

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 3RD SEPTEMBER 2026

	Name	Invoice no	Details	Date	Payment	Net Amount	VAT	Total
Receipts								
		n/a			IN	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
		n/a			IN	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
						£0.00	**£0.00**	**£0.00**

Bank transfers								
N/A	Unity T2 account	N/A	Transfer to HSBC Savings account (to keep account active)		IN	£25.00	£0.00	£25.00
N/A		N/A			IN	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
								£0.00
			TOTAL			**£25.00**	**£0.00**	**£25.00**

Corporate Purchasing Card				**Date**		**Net Amount**	**VAT**	**Total**
		N/A			PURCHASE	£0.00	£0.00	0
								0

Proposal: The Backwell Community Time Bank

https://timebanking.org

Executive Summary

A proposal to establish a local time bank scheme in Backwell, North Somerset. This initiative aims to strengthen community ties, reduce social isolation, and create a reciprocal network where residents exchange skills, services, and support using time as currency.

What is a Time Bank and How Does it Work?

A time bank is a community-based exchange system where people trade their skills and services using time, rather than money, as the currency. The fundamental principle is that everyone's time is valued equally, regardless of the task being performed.

Here is how it would work:

- **Earning Credits:** For every hour you spend helping someone in the community, you earn one "time credit."
- **Spending Credits:** You can spend that time credit to receive an hour of help from anyone else in the network.
- **Equality of Time:** One hour equals one credit. An hour of giving someone a lift to an appointment holds the exact same value as an hour of website design, gardening, or tutoring.
- **The Broker:** Exchanges are facilitated by a "broker" or coordinator who matches requests for help with offers of skills, ensuring everyone can participate safely and fairly.

For example, you might spend two hours helping a neighbour clear their overgrown garden, earning you two time credits. You could then spend those credits having someone else help you practice a language for an hour, and someone else assist you with some DIY for another hour.

The Local Context

Backwell benefits from a vibrant community spirit and a history of successful local initiatives. From active engagement in local planning to the strong presence of civic, community, voluntary, religious and sporting hubs there is a proven foundation of residents working together. A local time bank will harness this existing goodwill, providing a structured yet flexible framework for neighbours to support one another. As our village continues to grow, it will provide an opportunity to bring social cohesion to an ever-changing local landscape.

Core Objectives

- **Skill Sharing:** To map and mobilise the diverse skills of Backwell residents, recognizing that everyone has something valuable to contribute.
- **Mutual Support:** To build a localised, relationship-based economy that fosters trust and practical assistance.
- **Asset Integration:** To partner with established local entities such as the parish council, local businesses, churches, the GP surgery, schools, and sporting clubs to amplify community engagement and provide a broader network of support.

Implementation Phase: First Steps

1. **Community Consultation:** Host an initial, informal gathering with interested neighbours and friends to gauge local interest and begin identifying what services people can offer and request.
2. **Asset Mapping:** Engage with local charities, clubs, and businesses in North Somerset to explore how a time bank could align with and support their current activities.
3. **Forming a Core Team:** Assemble a dedicated group of volunteers to oversee the project, notably appointing a coordinator (or "broker") responsible for matching exchanges and keeping the network active.
4. **Resource Strategy:** Outline the initial funding requirements for essential operational costs, such as venue hire and promotional materials. This will lay the groundwork for eventually acquiring a comprehensive starter package (like the Time Bank Starter Kit) for access to software platforms, safeguarding policies, and member handbooks.

Here are a few notable examples of successful time banks operating in the UK that demonstrate how communities of various sizes have successfully implemented the model.

1. Rushey Green Time Bank (London)

Launched in 2000, Rushey Green was the first time bank in the UK to be based in a healthcare setting. Housed within a GP practice in Lewisham, it operates as an independent charity.

- **The model:** It focuses heavily on health and well-being. Doctors and nurses can "socially prescribe" time banking to patients suffering from isolation, mild depression, or recovering from illness.
- **Success factor:** By embedding itself within an existing anchor institution (the doctor's surgery), it gained immediate legitimacy and a steady stream of members who directly benefited from mutual support.

2. Fair Shares (Gloucestershire)

Fair Shares started in 1998 in Stonehouse and is credited with being the very first time bank in the UK. They now run several local schemes across Gloucestershire, often operating in small towns and distinct local neighbourhoods.

- **The model:** They are highly neighbourhood focused. One of their successful projects included a community workshop where members repaired furniture and learned woodworking skills, exchanging this time for other services.
- **Success factor:** They place a strong emphasis on inclusivity, particularly engaging older adults, people with disabilities, and those who have felt marginalised by the traditional job market, proving that everyone has skills to offer.

3. Woolmer Forest Timebank (Hampshire)

Operating in the town of Bordon and its surrounding rural villages, Woolmer Forest made headlines in 2021 for logging Timebanking UK’s 6 millionth exchanged hour.

- **The model:** It operates a classic, broad-spectrum community time bank. Exchanges range from telephone befriending to help with gardening, pet care, and IT support.
- **Success factor:** They have a highly active broker who maintained a lifeline of contact for vulnerable members, shifting to telephone check-ins and practical shopping help. Their success proves that a dedicated coordinator is key to keeping a local network active.

4. Gorbals Time Bank (Glasgow)

Launched in a densely populated inner-city area of Glasgow, this scheme was set up as part of a wider regeneration initiative to rebuild community spirit lost during 1960s urban redevelopment.

- **The model:** It acts as a hyper-local network to rebuild neighbourly connections. For example, members have exchanged services like home decorating for sitting with disabled neighbours.
- **Success factor:** It actively matched practical trades with social care, helping residents meet direct physical needs (like home repairs) while providing social support for isolated residents.

What Makes Them Successful?

When looking at these examples, smaller community schemes generally succeed because they share a few core traits:

- **A dedicated co-ordinator or broker:** Someone whose job is to actively match requests with offers. Without a broker, people are often too shy to ask for help.
- **A physical hub:** A visible location, such as a doctor's surgery, community centre, or local cafe, gives the time bank a physical presence.
- **Partnerships:** Working alongside parish councils, charities, and local health services helps the time bank integrate into the wider community structure.

FUNDING:

1. Grants and Charitable Trusts

The vast majority of time banks get off the ground using grant money. These funds are usually tied to specific community outcomes, such as reducing loneliness or improving local health.

- **The National Lottery Community Fund:** A major supporter of UK community projects. Many time banks start with smaller "Awards for All" grants (up to £20,000) to cover initial set-up costs.
- **Independent Trusts:** Organisations like the Tudor Trust, Esmée Fairbairn Foundation, and local community foundations such as the Backwell Quarry Fund and Bristol Airport regularly fund projects that build local resilience and community connection.

2. Local Government and Parish Councils

- **Parish and Town Councils:** A parish council (like Backwell Parish Council) might provide a modest annual grant.

- **County Councils:** Local authorities often have small community pots designed to support neighbourhood-level initiatives, although in the current climate it is unlikely that money would be available from North Somerset District Council.
- **3. Health and Social Care Funding**

Because timebanking is proven to combat isolation and improve mental health, it is increasingly being funded by the healthcare sector through **Social Prescribing**.

- **Primary Care Networks (PCNs):** Groups of GP practices sometimes pool funds to support local time banks. Doctors can then refer patients to the time bank as a non-clinical way to improve their well-being (like the Rushey Green example).
- **NHS Trusts:** Mental health trusts have funded time banks because the model empowers people to both give and receive, building self-esteem in a way traditional volunteering does not.

4. Anchor Institutions and "In-Kind" Support

Not all funding comes as cash. Many successful time banks survive by partnering with local "anchor institutions" that provide resources in lieu of money.

- **Housing Associations:** Often support or directly host time banks because it helps build cohesion among their tenants and reduces anti-social behaviour.
- **Community Venues:** A local church, library, or community centre might offer free office space for the coordinator or free room hire for time bank events, drastically reducing overhead costs.

What Does the Money Actually Pay For?

If the exchanges are free, where does the money go?

- **The Coordinator/Broker:** This is the single biggest expense. A time bank only thrives if there is a dedicated person securely vetting members, matching requests with offers, and keeping people engaged.
- **Software and Network Memberships:** Paying for the Timebanking UK membership, the Starter Kit, and the Time Online 2 (TOL2) software to safely track the hours.
- **Overheads:** Public liability insurance, DBS checks for members (if required), marketing leaflets, and a dedicated mobile phone line.

What's next?

Circulate this proposal to key local stakeholders and organise a public meeting to gauge local interest.

[redacted] *6th August 2026*

Bridget Petty District Councillor Report – October 2026

Local Boundary Commission Recommendations are due on 29th September 2026, which would be the outcome of their review to whether boundaries should change for North Somerset. If there is a proposed change, then it would be good to discuss briefly.

Local Plan Examinations

North Somerset Local Plan 2041 | Helen Wilson Consultancy Limited: Information was shared on 23rd September with a draft timetable for the examination. Day 1 – 10th November. Green Belt, Wednesday 11th Nov. Transport and Infrastructure Thursday 19th. Nailsea and Backwell Wednesday 2nd December. My current intention is try to attend at least these days.

Bristol Airport

Am awaiting confirmation when the new documents will be published and revised consultation will go live (it may be for a four week process.) It is understood that NSC and Bristol Airport have agreed an extension to the 31st December 2026, given new information needs reviewing and re-consulting.

Dark Lane Road Closure

I have contacted the Highways team to raise questions about – proposed diversion route, signage, communications (including with the Quarry, and visitors for the HWRC centre – potentially using the booking page).

I have a meeting with a Governors representative from Backwell School in the coming weeks, so hope there can be more joined up working all together for safer school routes and crossings in the future.

EV charging in the community

I have sought an update from the council team – the wait for chargers at Nailsea and Backwell station has been significant. The council has been let down by contractors.

Peoples Emergency Briefing

Held 24th September, what outcomes, what community resilience and what actions on a local level might we work together on.

Other

I have been appointed to the Local Government Association Improvement Committee. A cross-party committee that considers ways the association can provide the right training and research for councils and councillors. The organisation also lobbies government departments on behalf of local councils.

Appendix 1 – Planning Applications
Backwell Parish Council Planning Committee Meeting 17th September 2026

Agenda item 2.1.

a) Sites with planning outline permission granted (e.g. Grove Farm)
   i) To agree a response to Reserved Matters for Grove Farm (26/P/1443/RM)
   Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council agree to submit the response to the Grove Farm Reserved Matters application, as prepared by Lucy White Planning Ltd, subject to final amendments relating to footpaths and shared pedestrian/cycle access.

c) Sites at pre-application stage or subject to emerging proposals (e.g. Land East of Backwell, Land North of Farleigh Road, South Nailsea)
   i) To receive details regarding the EIA Screening Opinion request for the proposed restoration of Coles Quarry, and to agree any comments or action (currently awaiting registration on the North Somerset Council planning portal, submitted by Stokes Morgan on behalf of Bacoile Restoration Ltd)
   Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council agree to submit the response to the EIA Screening Opinion request for the proposed restoration of Coles Quarry subject to final amendments relating to surface water and flooding.

Agenda item 2.1.

a) 26/P/1718/S73 – The Connors Acre, Backwell Common, Backwell, BS48 3AD

Section 73 application to remove conditions 3 and 4 (householder permitted development rights) attached to permission 22/P/1726/FUL (Conversion of stable block into 1no.residential dwelling, erection of fencing, entrance gate, post box and construction of bunds (part retrospective) to allow for the proposed removal of householder permitted development rights.

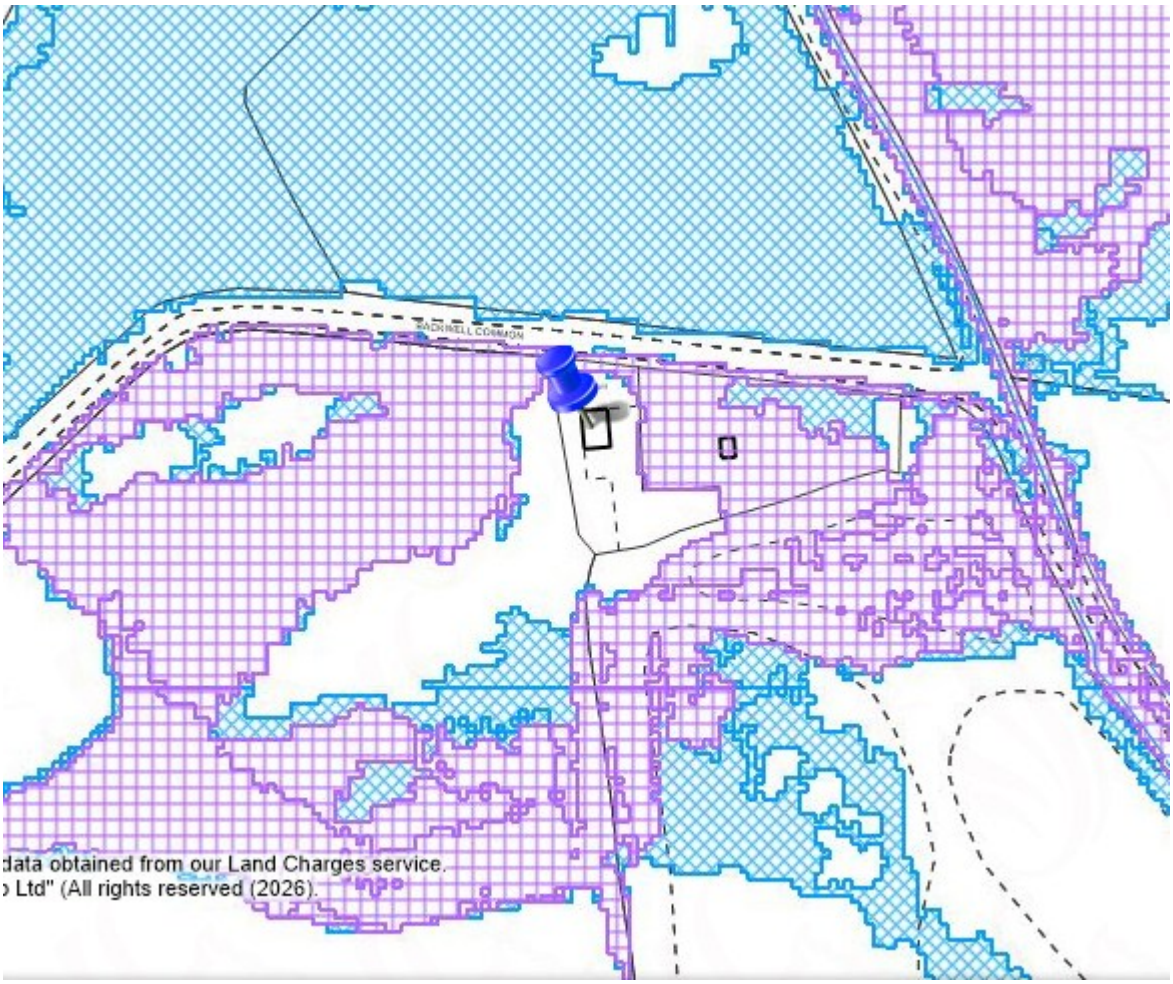
Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council objects to planning application 26/P/1718/S73 for the removal of Conditions 3 and 4 attached to permission 22/P/1726/FUL on the following grounds:

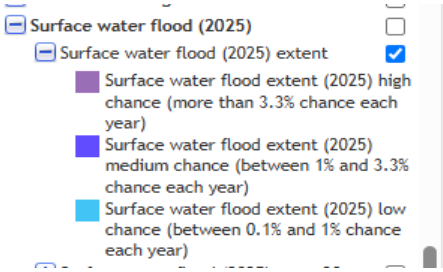
Necessity and Validity of Conditions: North Somerset Council (NSC) deliberately imposed Conditions 3 and 4 to retain control over future extensions and outbuildings, directly safeguarding the visual integrity of the site and the openness of the Green Belt in accordance with Policies DM12 and DM32 (North Somerset Sites and Policies Plan Part 1) and CS6 and CS12 (North Somerset Core Strategy). Removing these conditions would undermine the original planning permission's intent.

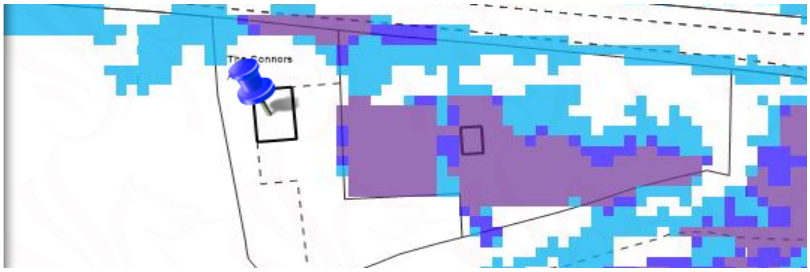
- **Environmental & Policy Sensitivity: The application site lies outside the settlement boundary, within the Green Belt, and is surrounded by Flood Zones**

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2 and 3. Additionally, the site has ecological significance, serving as a habitat for both Lesser Horseshoe bats (Class B) and Greater Horseshoe bats (Class A). This property is in an environmentally sensitive position, and the conditions are well placed and valid in this context







- **Lack of Transparency: The applicant has submitted no detailed plans outlining future intentions for the site, seeking only a blanket removal of statutory oversight**
- **Enforcement & Planning Process Integrity: Granting the removal of permitted development controls creates a high risk of uncoordinated future development. Relying on retrospective planning applications for unapproved**

Signed……Chairman Date……

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structures places an unnecessary strain on the planning system, complicates enforcement, and creates uncertainty for all parties involved.

Parish Council Recommendation
Backwell Parish Council maintains its longstanding position regarding this site: if the applicant cannot comply with the conditions established under 22/P/1726/FUL, they must submit a full planning application for any proposed modifications or structures to allow proper statutory consultation and environmental assessment.

b) 26/P/1612/FUH – 20 Chapel Hill, Backwell, BS48 3PP

Proposed Loft conversion with a flat roof rear dormer and addition of 2no. rooflights to the front roof slope.

Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) objects to application 26/P/1612/FUH on the following grounds:

1. **Heritage, Design, and Inappropriate Precedents**
   - **Flat Roof Dormer in Conservation Area: The proposed flat roof rear dormer is visually intrusive, incongruous, and out of keeping with the traditional rooflines and historic character of the Conservation Area.**
   - **Inappropriate Precedent Comparison: The applicant's reference to the approved development at 37 Moorland Road BPC assumes this is in Weston Super Mare, a large town and not comparable as context with a semi- rural village setting in a conservation and heritage area; it is an entirely inappropriate comparison which BPC requests the officer disregard. Citing a modern or urban development in Weston-super-Mare out of context fails to account for the unique, sensitive rural heritage context of Backwell's Conservation Area and terrace rooflines. Planning applications must be determined on their own merits relative to their specific local setting.**
   - **Inadequate Documentation: There are very few clear drawings or detailed explanations detailing the full scope of works. The block plan fails to show historic vs. proposed building lines, side elevations, or the exact relationship with adjoining properties. The rear street scene is mentioned although no drawings are provided to prove the point. In addition the application says that there is NO impact to the front of the property but goes on to provide drawings with two velux windows.**
   - **Policy Conflict: The design fails to conserve or enhance the historic environment, contrary to NPPF Chapters 12 & 16, North Somerset Sites and Policies Plan (Part 1) Policy DM3 (Conservation Areas), Policy DM32**

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(Development Criteria), and Core Strategy Policies CS5 (Landscape and Historic Environment) and CS12 (Achieving High Quality Design).

2. **Lack of Quality Plans, 45-Degree Rule & Heritage Impact**
    - **Front Velux Rooflights: Front-facing Velux windows are unacceptable on the front slope in a Conservation Area as they disrupt the traditional roofline and street scene.**
    - **Omission of Street and Heritage Views: The application lacks essential front and rear street view elevations. The rear heritage view is particularly critical as the site sits within the shadow and setting of broader Tyntesfield heritage views and directly in proximity to the historic church behind.**
    - **Failure to Demonstrate Compliance with the 45-Degree Rule: In accordance with the North Somerset Residential Design Guide (Section 2: Extensions and Alterations), developments must avoid causing unacceptable loss of light or outlook to neighbouring habitable room windows. Without 45-degree assessment diagrams, it is impossible to confirm compliance.**
    - **Prior Historical Concerns & Application of Safeguards: BPC reiterates concerns from previous planning history on this site. If the Case Officer is minded to approve, they must ensure strict assessment of overbearing impact, overshadowing, loss of light, and the established building line pattern.**
3. **Living Standards & Space Requirements**
    - **Overdevelopment / Living Space: The proposal converts or extends a 3-bedroom dwelling without demonstrating compliance with the Nationally Described Space Standards (NDSS) and North Somerset Residential Design Standards regarding Gross Internal Floor Area (GIA), head height, and usable storage space.**
4. **Severe Ecological Constraints (Bat Habitat)**
    - **Ecological Due Diligence: The site is located directly within Greater Horseshoe Bat Zone A and Lesser Horseshoe Bat Zone B, approximately 50–100 ft from Zone 4 and Zone 6 Greater Horseshoe connectivity index land, adjacent to open countryside.**
    - **Policy Conflict: Contrary to North Somerset Sites and Policies Plan Policy DM8 (Nature Conservation) and Core Strategy Policy CS4 (Nature Conservation).**

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- **Mandatory Bat Survey: An assessment by a qualified bat ecologist is mandatory prior to determination to verify presence/absence, usage, and foraging/commuting routes.**
- **Light Spill Controls: Proposed rooflights must incorporate specialized glazing to restrict light spill (Condition ECO14), and any external lighting must strictly comply with Condition ECO12.**

5. **Off-Street Parking & Highway Safety**
   - **Inadequate Parking & Local Constraints: Terraced housing in this location suffers from severely restricted off-street parking. Chapel Hill itself is steep, narrow, and entirely unsuitable for additional on-street parking.**
   - **Policy Conflict: Contrary to North Somerset Sites and Policies Plan Policy DM24 (Development Impact on Road Network) and Policy DM28 (Parking Standards). The application must demonstrate that it provides and retains a minimum of 2 compliant off-street parking spaces for a 3-bedroom property.**

BPC Requests to the Local Planning Authority:

1. **Officer Site Visit: The Case Officer must undertake a site visit (including viewing from neighbouring properties, assessing views toward the church, and evaluating wider landscape/heritage impacts relative to Tyntesfield) prior to determination.**
2. **Additional Heritage & Context Drawings: Require full front/rear street views, side elevations, and 45-degree rule assessment diagrams before public consultation closes.**
3. **Alternative Design Requirement: If the Local Planning Authority is minded to approve roof additions, the intrusive flat-roof dormer should be refused in favor of a traditional gabled/pitched dormer or an 'eyebrow' dormer, which would be significantly more in keeping with the heritage context of the Conservation Area.**
4. **Conditions if Minded to Approve: Require removal of the front Velux windows, enforce matching external finishes/rainwater goods, restrict future side-facing windows/rooflights, guarantee off-street parking provision, and attach full ECO12 and ECO14 bat mitigation conditions.**
5. **If minded to approve, a simple CTMP is conditioned due the sensitivity of the vicinity and constraints of the narrow, steep access road close to the A370. This has been conditioned on similar properties within the Parish**

Backwell Parish Council is always open to reviewing amended plans which are sympathetic to their context and take on board the comments made here.

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Many thanks for your consideration.

c) 26/P/1590/FUH- 16 Long-thorn Backwell BS48 3G (Additional Documents)
Proposed erection of a single storey front porch extension.
Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) agree to support application 26/P/1590/FUH, subject to the conditions set out in its previous response and the following additional point:
BPC has noted the additional illustration for the proposed porch with thanks. A street view showing the house within the context of its neighbours was requested but having completed a site visit of Long-thorn with the new drawing has re-enforced BPC's support for this scheme. Indeed, we like the brick 'eyebrow' over the door to match the windows.

For the Officer; BPC's other comments and requests stand.

We wish the applicant all the best for this project.

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Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on 17th September 2026 at 19:00 in Backwell Parish Hall Backwell Parish Council

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PRESENT: Councillors Mo Bowerman, Barbara Harland (Chairman), Bob Martin, Sarah Ould and Bob Taylor.
IN ATTENDANCE: Clare Melton, Clerk

1. Administration

1.1. To receive apologies for absence

095. Cllr Hatcher. Cllrs Horner and Young absent.

1.2. To receive declarations of interest and consider written applications for dispensations

096. **Personal interest**
Cllr Harland – Agenda item 2.1b) and c) – Backwell Resident
Cllr Bowerman – Agenda item 2.1c) – Backwell Resident
Cllr Horner- Agenda item 2.1c) – Backwell Resident
Cllr Ould - Agenda item 2.1c) – Backwell Resident

097. **Prejudicial interest**
None.

098. **Disclosable Pecuniary Interests**
None.

1.3. Public Participation

19:01 *Cllrs Horner and Young joined the meeting*

099. No members of the public were present

1.4. To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 20th August 2026

95. The Minutes of the Planning and Placemaking Committee Meeting held on 20th August 2026 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2. Planning

2.1. To receive an update on major planning sites within the parish, including:

a) Sites with planning outline permission granted (e.g. Grove Farm)

i) To agree a response to Reserved Matter for Grove Farm (26/P/1443/RM)

96. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) agree to submit the response to the Grove Farm Reserved Matters application, as prepared by Lucy White Planning Ltd, subject to final amendments relating to footpaths and shared pedestrian/cycle access.** *(BPC's full response is included in Appendix 1).*

b) Sites with full consent at Reserved Matters stage or subject to Discharge of Conditions of Active (e.g. Farleigh Fields East and West, Land West of Rodney Road)

i) To consider reserved matters update from Farleigh Fields West

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97. Cllr Harland reported that BPC is awaiting a statement from Chris Whitlow and Associates, which is expected shortly. It was noted that the application is now being dealt with by a new North Somerset Council (NSC) planning officer. Cllr Harland has spoken with the officer and is preparing a summary of the outstanding issues. BPC is due to meet with Persimmon at the end of September to discuss arrangements ahead of Dark Lane mitigation works commencing in October.

98. Cllr Harland updated that concerns remain regarding the noisy manhole covers on the A370 by the Farleigh Fields East site. Some teething problems have also been reported by residents who have moved into the new homes, with the expectation that these will be addressed through the snagging process. The Clerk informed members that the NSC Area Officer had recently met with the office team, who provided a list of issues for follow-up, including the manhole covers. The working relationship was reported to be very productive so far.

99. Members were pleased that the new footpath from Rodney Road to West Leigh Infants is now open and noted that Taylor Wimpey had done a good job. Residents had been surprised by the width of the footpath, and some concerns had been raised about the open aspect of the area.

100. An update was provided on the next steps, including ongoing discussions regarding the transfer of responsibility for the two streetlights and the installation of a section of footpath to the playing fields near 17 Rodney Road.

101. Next steps regarding the land adjacent to West Leigh were also discussed.

c) Sites at pre-application stage or subject to emerging proposals (e.g. Land East of Backwell, Land North of Farleigh Road, South Nailsea)

i) To receive details regarding the EIA Screening Opinion request for the proposed restoration of Coles Quarry, and to agree any comments or action (currently awaiting registration on the North Somerset Council planning portal, submitted by Stokes Morgan on behalf of Bacoile Restoration Ltd).

102. Cllr Horner noted that an addition regarding flooding was required before the response could be submitted. Cllr Harland requested that the Clerk email the planning officer the following day to advise that the response would be submitted on Monday, 21st September.

103. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) agree to submit the response to the EIA Screening Opinion request for the proposed restoration of Coles Quarry subject to final amendments relating to surface water and flooding.** (*BPC's full response is included in Appendix 1*).

104. Cllr Harland proposed that BPC request a fee proposal from a consultant to assist with responding to the anticipated Coles Quarry planning application. It was suggested that Lucy White Planning Ltd lead on the response, with support from BPC. Highways and hydrology would be key considerations, with BPC providing relevant information to assist Lucy White in preparing the response.

105. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) agree to request a fee proposal from Lucy White Planning Ltd to assist with the response to the application.**

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106. Cllr Harland updated that. BPC's consultants continue to work on the response to Mac Mic's application for land North of Farleigh Road, which will be ready for consideration at the Council meeting on 1st October.

107. A resident has reviewed recently uploaded documents from Gleeson's and written to both Gleeson's and North Somerset Council (NSC) with questions. It was suggested that BPC follow this up. **Agreed**.

108. Cllr Harland reported that the NSC Planning Officer had indicated that the application would be treated as a new application due to the number of new documents recently submitted by Gleeson's. Cllr Harland will liaise with Nailsea Town Council (NTC) to coordinate a response.

2.2. To receive an update on the Local Green Space

109. No update.

2.3. To receive an update on the Local Plan

110. Cllr Harland reported that work on preparing for the examination continues.

2.4. To receive an update on the Neighbourhood Plan

a) To receive an update on the Social Cohesion Project, including progress to date and any developments regarding youth provision and opportunities for engagement with young people in the community

111. No update.

b) To receive an update on the Safe Routes to School initiative, including any progress, discussions, and next steps

112. It was noted that Cllrs Young and Rogers are liaising with John Russell Transport.

2.5. To receive an update on Bristol Airport

113. Cllr Harland reported that a meeting with Dt Cllr Petty, Bristol Airport and NSC Highways regarding safety issues in Downside was being arranged for October.

114. NSC has requested feedback from BPC as part of its review of the A2 bus service. Airport-related parking in the village and Downside remains an issue despite the introduction of the A2. Cllr Harland asked members to consider how BPC would wish to be involved in the review and how relevant information could be gathered.

2.6. To receive an update on the Bus Services Improvement Plan

115. It was noted that the A370 works are due to finish on Thursday. Problems with the traffic light sensors have caused significant disruption for road users. The new road surface was welcomed.

2.7. To receive an update on Backwell as a Strategic Site

116. Cllr Harland reported that she has shared the document with NSC. NSC has agreed to BPC's request for additional consideration and support for the village in light of the high volume of development and the resulting safety concerns and constraints for residents.

2.8. To consider the planning applications set out below, plus any received after the publication of this Agenda, and to agree the Council's response *(BPC's decisions submitted to NSC are set out below; full details and reasons are included in Appendix 1)*:

a) 26/P/1718/S73 – The Connors Acre, Backwell Common, Backwell, BS48 3AD
Section 73 application to remove conditions 3 and 4 (householder permitted development rights) attached to permission 22/P/1726/FUL (Conversion of stable block into 1no.residential dwelling, erection of fencing, entrance gate, post box and construction of bunds (part retrospective) to allow for the proposed removal of householder permitted development rights

117. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council objects to planning application 26/P/1718/S73 for the removal of Conditions 3 and 4 attached to permission 22/P/1726/FUL**

b) 26/P/1612/FUH – 20 Chapel Hill, Backwell, BS48 3PP

Proposed Loft conversion with a flat roof rear dormer and addition of 2no. rooflights to the front roof slope

118. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) objects to application 26/P/1612/FUH**

c) 26/P/1590/FUH- 16 Long-thorn Backwell BS48 3G (Additional Documents)

Proposed erection of a single storey front porch extension

119. **Resolved: Unanimously, Backwell Parish Council (BPC) agree to support application 26/P/1590/FUH, subject to the conditions set out in its previous response and one additional point.**

3. Confidential

That pursuant to the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Public and Press be excluded from the meeting for the following items due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

3.7. To receive an update on Local Green Space.

120. No update

3.8. To receive an update on the next steps for the Local Plan examination and allocated sites

121. Cllr Harland provided an update regarding the proposed briefing and site visit with a Barrister. Options for proceeding were discussed.

122. Members discussed the potential for further housing applications and the need for BPC to be prepared to respond. The approach to any future applications was discussed.

3.9. To receive an update on a North Somerset Council enforcement matter

123. Deferred to next meeting.

4. Meeting Dates

To note the date of the next Planning Committee Meeting – Thursday 15th October 2026 in the Committee Room at Backwell Parish Hall at 7:00pm.

124. Noted.

125. There being no further items of business, the Chairman closed the meeting at 20:58 hours.

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Your Ref: 26/P/1443/RM
Our Ref:

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21 September 2026

Dear Kathryn,

GROVE FARM, BACKWELL: 26/P/1443/RM - RESERVED MATTERS PURSUANT TO OUTLINE PLANNING PERMISSION 23/P/2368/OU2

On behalf of Backwell Parish Council (BPC) I write to provide the following comments on the reserved matters application for the first phase of development. These comments are made in respect of documentation uploaded onto the NSC planning portal on 9th July 2026. BPC reserves the right to comment further on any scheme amendments.

BPC recognises that the principle of development has been established and this application deals solely with the detailed matters reserved at outline stage. However, the reserved matters submission is absent of detailed landscaping proposals and therefore does not represent a complete set of reserved matters for approval. It is also not possible to establish whether the masterplan is capable of meeting the S106 obligations, in particular those relating to the provision of open space.

In addition, due to the absence of information pursuant to the other planning conditions, it is not possible to ascertain the suitability of the reserved matters proposals in isolation. BPC urges the LPA to request submission of further information to discharge conditions in parallel with and ahead of determination of this reserved matters application to ensure the proposed layout and design does not prejudice the discharge of planning conditions.

Layout and Building Design

BPC welcomes the building height strategy of maintaining 2 storey development throughout phase 1.

However, BPC objects to the proposed affordable housing strategy which does not align with the S106 obligations to cluster no more than 6 affordable housing units together. A cluster is defined by the S106 as a group of affordable housing units with contiguous boundaries with each other. However,

units 22 – 30 are all located within the same development block and each shares a boundary with at least one other property in that group. This represents a cluster of 8 social-rented homes.

A further 5 social rented properties are located directly opposite units 27-30, creating a group of 13 affordable dwellings. Units 74-80 are located opposite units 24/25 and provide a further cluster of 7 units in relative proximity to the above units. Units 93-96 and 103-108 deliver a further 10 social rented properties within the same development block, 8 of which share common boundaries.

We request a comprehensive review of the affordable housing strategy, to ensure compliance with the S106 and avoid higher concentrations of affordable housing units within single development blocks. This is critical to ensure affordable housing units are distributed relatively evenly throughout the development, having regard to the fact that this is only the first phase of a scheme which could deliver 515 homes of which 35% would be affordable. BPC notes the absence of affordable housing units to the west of the site which could accommodate a cluster of units to better distribute units across this phase.

Landscaping

The application description states that the proposals include landscaping details. However, the submitted plans only include an illustrative landscape masterplan. Further landscape details should be submitted before a decision is made on this application.

The illustrative landscape masterplan refers to two pocket parks with potential for 'play on the way' features. This proposed provision fails to comply with the Section 106 obligations to deliver three local equipped areas of play across the development, with at least 6 pieces of play equipment in each area of play.

It is not possible to ascertain whether the landscape masterplan would fulfil the other open space requirements, including adequate provision of neighbourhood open space, community park, conservation site, woodland and MUGA or whether sustainable urban drainage systems have been excluded from the open space calculation, as required by the S106.

The indicative landscaping proposals conflict with the existing public rights of way. As illustrated below, the PROW would traverse the proposed attenuation ponds.



The proposed footpaths through the public open space should align with the PROW to maintain the existing routes wherever possible and provide betterment through an upgraded surface along these routes. The submitted proposals are effectively diversion of PROW by stealth through the conflict with the masterplan features and the provision of formal footpaths close to but separate from the public rights of way.

Please can the Applicant explain the long-term intentions for existing public rights of way through the site and whether these would be subject to separate applications for diversion. Whilst we acknowledge this involves a separate process outside planning, it would be appreciated if in the interests of transparency and cooperation between the Applicant, NSC and the Parish Council and local community the Applicant could clarify the plans for existing public rights of way and new pedestrian/cycle routes across the site wide masterplan as a whole.

Although this is not a matter for these reserved matters, BPC wish to raise early concerns regarding the proposed layout for phase 2 with the existing PROW. As illustrated below, the layout does not accommodate the existing route.



Allotments

Two areas of allotments are proposed within the layout, one to the far north of the proposed housing and one to the south beyond the new access road. BPC has expressed an interest in acquiring the allotments upon completion to manage in perpetuity. The provision of two separate areas of allotments (three areas across the village as a whole) would present issues for future management. A single area of allotments would be strongly preferred, enabling infrastructure such as car parking and water supply to be readily shared. Vehicular access and parking provision for the northern allotments is unclear and requires clarification. There is no apparent access into the allotments shown on the proposed layout. BPC urges TW to revisit the current split provision in favour of a single allotment.

MUGA

In the absence of sufficient landscape details it is difficult to comment on the location of the MUGA. BPC assume this is identified to the east of the proposed school site. BPC has encouraged the provision of the MUGA adjacent to the existing Backwell Playing Fields to provide the potential for a long-term pedestrian connection between the playing fields and the MUGA to aid connectivity and shared use. BPC welcome this change if this is reflected in the detailed landscape plans.

Flood and Drainage

BPC broadly supports the comments of the LLFA. As outlined above, matters of landscape detail have not been submitted through this application, however the attenuation ponds are detailed within the areas of open space. In the absence of details to discharge the relevant drainage conditions it is not possible to determine the suitability of the drainage strategy or the associated attenuation ponds. In the absence of landscape details, it is also impossible to ascertain whether the attenuation ponds can be appropriately accommodated in the areas of open space.

Approval of the reserved matters as submitted would predetermine the drainage strategy.

In addition, we share the LLFA's concerns that the submitted engineering layouts for the drainage basins are marked as indicative, together with those of house plots, garages and spot levels. In the

absence of confirmed levels it is not possible to verify the safety of the surface water drainage strategy and provide assurance that the proposed development is not at risk of flooding.

To address these concerns, confirmed levels must be provided throughout ALL reserved matters drawings. Full landscape details must be submitted, with levels and full details must be submitted in parallel, pursuant to planning conditions 23, 24 and 25 of 23/P/2368/OU2.

In light of the proposed reprofiling and realignment of the existing watercourse, we fully support the LLFA's requirement for the Applicant to submit an existing and proposed hydraulic model. This should be submitted in support of the Reserved Matters to the satisfaction of the LLFA before permission is granted.

Highway and Access

BPC broadly supports the points raised by the Highways and Transport Development Management Team in their response dated 28 August 2026. We note the Reserved Matters is confined to on-site highway works to be delivered through a S38 agreement, with the main vehicular access detail approved at the outline stage. We would welcome sight of the S278 drawings for the main vehicular access to ensure a comprehensive set of detailed highway drawings are available for consideration.

In addition, the highway works defined within the S106 agreement by Plan 4 Highway Works (Toucan Crossing) and Highway Works (Pedestrian Improvements) require a highway agreement to be entered into and works completed prior to occupation of the first dwelling. It is therefore usual to have sight of the S278 drawings for these works in parallel with the first reserved matters submission. BPC would appreciate sight of these drawings.

BPC welcomes the ongoing input of Active Travel England (ATE) to the development proposals for Grove Farm. It is unfortunate that outline planning permission was granted despite outstanding concerns from ATE regarding the absence of pedestrian and cycle connections from the site into the village centre. This is a matter which ATE continues to pursue and BPC offers its support in this regard.

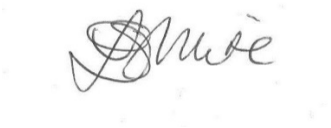
As highlighted by Active Travel England (ATE), provision of pedestrian and cycle routes and connections to existing facilities and the village centre are critical to encourage new residents to travel on foot or by bike to local facilities and reduce the reliance on the private car. Segregated footpaths and cycle paths should be incorporated to ensure safe routes for all modes of travel, as advised by ATE. We note the Applicant has proposed shared footway/cycleways through the scheme. If segregated routes cannot be delivered, please can the Applicant explain why this is not feasible. We support ATE's comment that a 'Copenhagen' style crossing should be used where the route crosses side roads. The layout should be amended accordingly.

Opportunities to create pedestrian/cycle connections from the site into the Backwell Playing Fields should continue to be investigated by the Applicant to make walking and cycling a genuine alternative to the private car for short trips into the village centre. BPC recognises that this will be a matter for the second phase reserved matters which adjoin the existing built-up edge of Backwell. BPC is willing to work with the Applicant to provide any support it can to help facilitate new connections.

BPC's comments are intended to be constructive, with the intention of achieving good placemaking to assimilate the development into the village in the safest and most sustainable manner appropriate. The Parish Council is willing to engage through further dialogue with Officers at North Somerset and the Applicant to agree appropriate amendments in response to these comments and those of other consultees.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



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Monthly Planning Update for Backwell Parish Council

September 2026 Issued 25.09.26

North Somerset Cabinet and Council Meetings

A full Council meeting was held on 8th September. There were no matters of interest for Backwell.

The Cabinet meeting on 16th September included an update on the Forward Plan. Councillor Waite updated members on progress with developing a coordinated, place-based approach to managing large-scale developments and parish and town council and community engagement in considering the impact of such development on communities. Councillor Bell reported on Local Devolution, the continued progress in transferring responsibilities for local assets and services to town and parish councils.

NSC Local Plan 2041

The Inspectors have published the Matters, Issues and Questions which will form the basis of the hearing sessions in November/December 2026. A draft timetable has been published (this is subject to change).

The proposed strategic location at Nailsea and Backwell (Policy LP3) will be discussed at the hearing session on 2nd December.

BPC is working with Nailsea Town Council and will jointly agree which other hearing sessions it is worth participating in.

The deadline for notifying the Inspectors of your intention to participate in the hearing sessions is 9th October.

All hearing statements must be submitted by 27th October.

Emerging Planning Policies

No relevant consultations.

NSC Stakeholder Workshops

No workshop this month.

Government planning policy updates

None.

Other Relevant Matters

None.

Planning Applications Report – Backwell Parish Council Full Council Meeting 1st October 2026

Agenda item 4.7

a) **26/P/1857/FUL – Land East Of 2 Fairfield Close, Backwell, BS48 3PS (Target date 5 November 2026)**
Proposed erection of 1no. detached dwelling and detached double garage, alongside alterations to landscaping and hard standing.

b) **26/P/1480/FUH - 4 Russetts Cottages Backwell Common Backwell BS48 3AD**
Proposed erection of a part-two storey, part-first floor rear extension. (Amended plans)

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Consultation on Planning Powers for Mayors in England

Note for Councillors with proposed response

24 Sept 2026

A. Background

The Government wants to gather views on the implementation of planning powers for mayors of strategic authorities in the English Devolution and Community Empowerment Act 2026, in particular:

- mayoral powers in relation to planning applications of potential strategic importance, principally for mayors outside London but includes further changes to the approach in London;
- Mayoral Development Orders
- Mayoral Community Infrastructure Levy for mayors outside London.

The link to the Consultation is here https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/planning-powers-for-mayors-in-england/planning-powers-for-mayors-in-england. **The submission deadline is 5th Oct 2026.**

The topic was introduced at the full Council meeting on 3rd Sept – please see the briefing note.

As a quick reminder:

- The Government's stated objective is to enable elected mayors to take a more strategic approach to housing, employment, infrastructure and economic growth, rather than leaving planning entirely to individual local planning authorities.
- It will cover 4 Principal Areas:
    - Applications of **potential strategic importance (PSI)** – particularly for more than 150 homes
    - **Mayoral Development Orders (MDOs)** - mechanism by which a mayor can grant planning permission proactively for specified development
    - **Mayoral Community Infrastructure Levy**
- North Somerset is moving towards full membership of the West of England Mayoral Combined Authority (**WECA**), and the new North Somerset Local Plan 2041 proposes substantial additional growth around Nailsea and Backwell.
- WECA will introduce a Spatial Development Strategy (**SDS**) - a high-level regional planning document to coordinate housing, infrastructure, and environmental growth over large, cross-boundary areas. It will sit above Local Plans in terms of hierarchy. Local Plans must align with and confirm to the relevant SDS.

WECA approved the appointment of independent expert advisers to support preparation of the SDS, with the contract running to 31 December 2028, and a stated aim for completing the SDS by end of current Parliament (Aug 2029).

B. Backwell's position

Context of our response:

- Constructive, informed comment
- Highlights Backwell's concerns in light of the development impact to date and proposals in the Local Plan
- Identify opportunities to be informed, to influence, to be represented
- Backwell has borne a disproportionate burden of regional housing targets, and this is likely to continue. It is in some senses a victim of its proximity to Bristol, in having a railway station, good schools, healthcare facilities, an attractive rural setting and many other blessings. It would be all too easy for WECA to load Backwell with further housing development, and getting no benefit in return. This response therefore highlights certain concerns.

For convenience, this note references 'WECA' as the mayoral authority, the mayor and the party that would exercise the powers in the proposed legislation.

C. Summary Response

There are good reasons for giving WECA greater strategic planning powers. Housing, transport, employment and infrastructure increasingly need to be planned across local authority boundaries. A strategic authority may also be better placed to coordinate major infrastructure and housing delivery. This is to be welcomed, and the Council supports this in principle.

The Council is though concerned that WECA may favour politically driven, expedient decisions, that are made for the supposed greater good of the region, but with ulterior motives to access funding, meet targets or curry favour. Or put more simply, convenient decision-making and imposing further development on villages that have already been hit the hardest, because that's the easiest thing to do.

The following responses focus on Backwell's primary concerns:

1. **Ensuring the SDS is properly used with appropriate safeguards –** in particular to ensure the SDS is used with appropriate safeguards i.e. genuinely strategic development; it does not increase burdens beyond those outlined in the Local Plan; that Parish Councils – particularly those which have already been hit hard by development have a genuine opportunity to engage in the SDS consultation.

2. **Housing allocations and cumulative development –** Any development in the SDS – or any PSIs or MDOs – must recognise the impact of cumulative development, and development holistically (and not as a series of individual projects). If the SDS, PSI or MDO ensures that schools, health facilities, transport infrastructure etc. develops in parallel with (at least) or preferably in advance of housing development, this will be a beneficial aspect of increased mayoral planning powers.

3. **Infrastructure –** this should be where WECA can use its wider region SDS, aligned with appropriate MDL to ensure infrastructure supports housing development – i.e. not "how much development can we impose" but "what infrastructure is needed to support the imposition". This is one area we hope WECA will deliver meaningful and positive improvement.

4. **Green Belt –** Backwell is concerned that WECA does not sacrifice valuable agricultural land for expedient housing targets. PSIs or MDOs must genuinely meet strategic importance thresholds and not watered down to make WECA's life easy. In parallel with this, the 'Green Gap' between Nailsea and Backwell must be protected.

5. **Meaningful engagement –** at parish council level will be vital to ensure enhanced planning powers are balanced with enhanced levels of influence, contribution, challenge and awareness of how new strategic powers will be employed.

C. Detail

1. Ensuring the SDS is properly used with appropriate safeguards

The North Somerset Local Plan 2041 already proposes around 3,500 homes across the Nailsea and Backwell area, including a major new allocation of 889 homes east of Backwell. The plan also identifies substantial transport, education, employment and environmental infrastructure needed to make that growth acceptable.

The principal concern is therefore that a mayoral planning system could result in further strategic growth being imposed on areas such as Backwell, with decisions increasingly being made at regional level and potentially reducing the influence of local communities.

The Council supports strategic planning in principle, but seeks strong safeguards for local democratic involvement:

1. Mayoral intervention is confined to genuinely strategic development;
2. The SDS does not simply add further housing pressure to areas already carrying significant growth;
3. Existing Local Plan allocations and infrastructure commitments are respected;
4. Development is genuinely infrastructure-led;
5. Green Belt and important countryside separation around Backwell are properly protected;
6. Parish councils have a formal and meaningful role in SDS preparation and major planning decisions; and
7. WECA should not be able to override locally agreed planning policies – i.e. Local Plan – without clear strategic justification.

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2. Housing allocations and cumulative development

The North Somerset Local Plan proposes 24,495 homes across North Somerset between 2026 and 2041, against a minimum housing need figure of 23,700. Nailsea and Backwell account for over 3,500 homes, or around 15% of the district's total housing provision.

The Parish Council is therefore concerned about cumulative impact, rather than considering individual applications separately.

For Backwell, relevant cumulative effects include:

- traffic on Station Road;
- the Backwell Crossroads;
- pressure on the A370;
- pressure on local rural lanes;
- school capacity;

- GP and healthcare capacity;
- drainage and surface water;
- pressure on recreation facilities;
- impacts on countryside and landscape;
- pressure on the railway station;
- pedestrian and cycling infrastructure; and
- loss of separation between Backwell and surrounding settlements.

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3. Infrastructure

Infrastructure must develop in tandem with housing development. This is arguably the most important issue for Backwell, and one that worries residents the most. WECA is well placed to ensure that key housing developments – whether a PSI or MDO or otherwise are tied to an infrastructure development strategy that is clearly set out in the SDS.

The Local Plan identifies significant infrastructure requirements associated with growth, including:

Transport

- measures to reduce pressure on Station Road;
- improvements to Backwell Crossroads;
- improved bus services and bus infrastructure;
- improvements around Nailsea and Backwell railway station;
- active travel routes;
- an extension to the Festival Way route; and
- improvements to public rights of way.

Education

The plan identifies three new 420-place primary schools across the Nailsea/Backwell growth area, together with contributions towards secondary, post-16, special educational needs and family centre provision. Two of the primary schools are specifically identified for east of Backwell and south of Nailsea.

Environment

The plan requires:

- a new Nature Park to mitigate impacts on bat habitats;
- protection of bat flight corridors;
- a new wetland area on Nailsea Moors;
- green infrastructure;

- biodiversity measures; and
- publicly accessible green space.

The SDS must assess if the infrastructure can be delivered at the rate at which the development is built, not "how much development can be imposed".

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4. Green Belt

The submitted Local Plan proposes significant Green Belt release because North Somerset considers that its housing requirement cannot be met sustainably without releasing some Green Belt land.

The plan identifies twelve sites for Green Belt release, providing more than 6,600 homes. These include strategic allocations at Nailsea and Backwell.

In the Nailsea/Backwell area, the plan specifically proposes Green Belt release for development to the north of Nailsea and east of Backwell.

At the same time, it proposes a new area of Green Belt south of Nailsea and west of Backwell, intended to maintain separation between settlements and prevent further encroachment into the countryside.

Growth should not gradually eliminate the physical and visual separation between Backwell, Nailsea and surrounding settlements.

The Parish Council should therefore support the principle that:

- the new Green Belt/strategic gap should be maintained;
- further expansion should not simply follow the release of existing Green Belt land;
- landscape, heritage and countryside setting should remain material considerations;
- important views and rural approaches should be protected; and
- the SDS should not identify additional growth around Backwell without compelling strategic evidence.

The existing Local Plan already recognises the importance of maintaining rural settings around Backwell and requires buffers and protection of important views for the east of Backwell development.

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5. Meaningful Engagement and accountability

Backwell recognises it is likely to be impacted by PSI applications and MDOs, given the housing allocations in the Local Plan.

At present, the Parish Council can:

- respond to planning applications;
- influence North Somerset's Local Plan;
- participate in neighbourhood planning;
- identify local infrastructure priorities;

- raise concerns about highways, drainage, landscape and community facilities; and
- represent local residents to North Somerset Council.

Under the new system, the Parish Council will potentially need to engage at three levels:

- **WECA -** Influencing the SDS and, potentially, major strategic planning decisions
- **North Somerset Council -** Continuing to engage with the Local Plan and ordinary planning applications
- **Individual development proposals -** Influencing masterplans, planning applications, infrastructure obligations and detailed design.

This makes the Parish Council's role potentially more important, not less.

However, it also means that the Parish Council will need to engage much earlier in the planning process. Backwell Council is keen to maintain its high level of engagement in the planning process, and welcomes the opportunity to ensure this is enshrined in the Mayoral planning regime.

WECA should be required to give proper weight to representations from parish councils, particularly on local highways, drainage, landscape, heritage, community facilities and infrastructure, since they understand the local issues best.

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Any decision by WECA to call in a planning application in a PSI should be accompanied by clear reasons explaining why the application is of strategic importance.

The operation of the mayoral planning powers should be independently reviewed after an appropriate period, with the opportunity to amend the system if local democratic accountability or infrastructure delivery proves inadequate.

Press and Media Policy
Backwell Parish Council

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Introduction
Effective communication with the press and media is a vital part of the Parish Council's commitment to openness and community engagement. This policy outlines the framework for such communication, ensuring accuracy, transparency, and consistency. The Communications Officer will be the primary point of contact for media enquiries and responsible for coordinating public messaging, in consultation with the Clerk.

Aims and Objectives
The Council aims to:
- Ensure consistent, factually correct and professional communication with the media.
- Promote informed public debate and understanding of Parish Council decisions and actions.
- Maintain the integrity and reputation of the Parish Council.

General Principles
- All contact with the media shall be conducted in a positive and proactive manner.
- Councillors and Officers must be mindful of the Parish Council's Code of Conduct and Standing Orders in all dealings with the media.
- When speaking to the media, Councillors must distinguish between personal views and those of the Council.
- The Communications Officer will support Councillors and Officers to ensure that messages issued to the media align with Council policy and values.

Role of Councillors
- Councillors may respond directly to media enquiries but must consider:
  a. The capacity in which they are speaking (personal or on behalf of the Council);
  b. The potential implications of the information being shared;
  c. The need to consult with the Clerk or fellow Councillors when in doubt.
- If a Councillor is providing a personal opinion, this must be clearly stated as such.
- Councillors wishing to issue written statements or articles in their role as Councillor must first seek approval from the Clerk, who will circulate it to other members before publication.

Role of the Clerk and Communications Officer
- The Communications Officer is the primary point of contact for press and media enquiries and is responsible for coordinating responses, preparing statements, and issuing press releases on behalf of the Council.
- Given that the Communications Officer works part-time, there may be occasions when they are unavailable. In such cases, the Clerk will act as the main point of contact for media enquiries.
- The Clerk retains overall oversight of communication and will ensure that any public messaging aligns with the Council's decisions and policies.
- All formal media statements will be prepared by the Communications Officer (or the Clerk where appropriate), in consultation with the Clerk (or Chairman / Vice-Chairman).

- Statements will be circulated to relevant members for comment, with responses to be provided within the stipulated timeframe

Press Statements and Releases

- Press releases will usually be drafted by the Communications Officer, in consultation with the Clerk and relevant Councillors. Members will be given a deadline to provide comments before release.
- Where the Communications Officer is unavailable, the Clerk will take responsibility for drafting and issuing press releases.
- Members should not issue press releases on behalf of the Council.
- All official statements and press releases will be distributed to the Council's media contacts and retained for record-keeping purposes.
- Ward-related matters may require consultation with relevant Ward Councillors.

Use of AI Tools

The Parish Council may make use of artificial intelligence (AI) tools to support the drafting of media content and press releases. All use of AI is governed by the Council's separate AI Use Policy, which outlines the standards and safeguards in place

Freedom of Information

The Council acknowledges the media's right to access information under the Freedom of Information Act and will cooperate with such requests in line with statutory obligations.

Date of policy: September 2026
Date for next review: September 2028

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Backwell Honours Board Policy
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Background:
An honours board was put onto a wall in the Parish Hall in 2012. There are two sides:

Councillors **Villagers we honour.**

The emails from that time document considerable debate about how names should be selected but no written criteria have been found. The board purchased is of good quality and this investment should not go to waste by it not being used.

Proposals:

1. **Councillor section:**

   One proposal in the file is that Chairs of the Parish Council should be included on the left-hand section, perhaps when they stand-down. That seems logical and has the advantage of being clear so people who have been elected to chair the Parish Council and have served in that role for at least one full year should have their names added to the left of the board. The years of their chairmanship should be added.

2. **Villagers we honour section:**

   a) **Nominations:** A call for nominations will be made usually in June, including the distribution of nomination forms to Councillors, Clerk to the Council. Once a year (usually during the August full council meeting) the agenda should include receiving any such nominations. No consent / knowledge of the individual concerned is required for **nomination**. We hope that more than one name will go forward for further consideration, implying these individuals are all worthy of this award.

   b) **Selection:** After the Full Council meeting (and so in private) a discussion including all the Councillors and followed by a vote will (usually) result one of the names being selected per year. Voting will be by all councillors present (no-written / in absentia votes allowed) and each will vote for one nomination (abstentions will be permitted). In the event that there is not over 50% of votes for one nomination on the first occasion, the nomination with the lowest number of votes will be removed and the vote repeated, until an over 50% vote is achieved for one individual. In the event of a tie, the Chairman will have an additional casting vote. Names can normally appear on the

board only once, but unsuccessful nominations can be suggested again in subsequent years.

c) **Criteria:** It has been suggested that this be a posthumous honour after the death of a villager, but we proposed that NOT be the case and by preference this should normally be done when the individual can appreciate the respect being shown. However, this policy should not exclude the possibility of a nomination after someone has died.

- The criteria should NOT be on the basis of an individual being popular or having many friends but having made identified contributions to the village. Also work done as part of an already remunerated post / role will not count towards this assessment.

- The criteria DO include:
  a. Normal permanent residence is within the Parish
  b. Exceptional donation of time, effort or skill by an individual to the success, happiness or future of the village of Backwell and / or its residents.
  c. The Parish Council should be able to have identified the successes/implementations that resulted from the above efforts.

- It should be accepted that, despite our best efforts, many truly exceptional village people who have contributed very greatly (and sometimes more than the names selected) will not be identified.

d) Process:

- Upon selection of the name to be added, the individual (or in the event of a posthumous award, the next of kin) should when possible be informed and if that person states they do **not** want the name added to the board, that wish will be respected and if there was a nomination that came second in the voting, they will be selected. The Parish Council should clarify the accuracy of the spelling of the names (normally two names, maximum of three), but no titles or abbreviations/nicknames will be used. The year of each award should be added after the name.

- The council will arrange for the name to be added to the board and then the individual honoured will be invited to the Full Council meeting in December, when the name will be “unveiled”.

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Date for next review: September 2028

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CONFIDENTIAL: Nomination Form of an Individual for the Backwell Parish Council's Honours Board

	Criteria	Evidence	
1.	Give the person's name and confirm their normal permanent place of residence is in the Parish of Backwell	Name and postcode	
2.	Give up to three examples of time, effort or skill given by the nominated individual to the success, happiness or future of the village / villagers of Backwell.		
3.	Identify successes, implementations resulting from the above efforts.		
4.	Nominator (must also be Resident / Organisation / Business within the Parish of Backwell).	Name of nominator (individual or organisation)	

Equality and Diversity Policy
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Our commitment
The council is committed to providing equal opportunities in employment and to avoiding unlawful discrimination.

This policy is intended to assist the council to put this commitment into practice. Compliance with this policy should also ensure that employees do not commit unlawful acts of discrimination.

Striving to ensure that the work environment is free of harassment and bullying and that everyone is treated with dignity and respect is an important aspect of ensuring equal opportunities in employment.

The law
It is unlawful to discriminate directly or indirectly in recruitment or employment because of age, disability, sex, gender reassignment, pregnancy, maternity, race (which includes colour, nationality, caste and ethnic or national origins), sexual orientation, religion or belief, or because someone is married or in a civil partnership. These are known as "protected characteristics".

Discrimination after employment may also be unlawful, e.g. refusing to give a reference for a reason related to one of the protected characteristics.

The council will not discriminate against or harass a member of the public in the provision of services or goods. It is unlawful to fail to make reasonable adjustments to overcome barriers to using services caused by disability. The duty to make reasonable adjustments includes the removal, adaptation or alteration of physical features, if the physical features make it impossible or unreasonably difficult for disabled people to make use of services. In addition, service providers have an obligation to think ahead and address any barriers that may impede disabled people from accessing a service.

Types of unlawful discrimination
Direct discrimination is where a person is treated less favourably than another because of a protected characteristic.

In limited circumstances, employers can directly discriminate against an individual for a reason related to any of the protected characteristics where there is an occupational requirement. The occupational requirement must be crucial to the post and a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim.

Indirect discrimination is where a provision, criterion or practice is applied that is discriminatory in relation to individuals who have a relevant protected characteristic such that it would be to the detriment of people who share that protected characteristic compared with people who do not, and it cannot be shown to be a proportionate means of achieving a legitimate aim.

Harassment is where there is unwanted conduct, related to one of the protected characteristics (other than marriage and civil partnership, and pregnancy and maternity) that has the purpose or effect of violating a person's dignity; or creating an intimidating, hostile, degrading, humiliating or offensive environment. It does not matter whether or not this effect was intended by the person responsible for the conduct.

Associative discrimination is where an individual is directly discriminated against or harassed for association with another individual who has a protected characteristic.

Perceptive discrimination is where an individual is directly discriminated against or harassed based on a perception that they have a particular protected characteristic when they don't, in fact, have that protected characteristic.

Third-party harassment occurs where an employee is harassed and the harassment is related to a protected characteristic, by third parties.

Victimisation occurs where an employee is subjected to a detriment, such as being denied a training opportunity or a promotion because they made or supported a complaint or raised a grievance under the Equality Act 2010, or because they are suspected of doing so. However, an employee is not protected from victimisation if they acted maliciously or made or supported an untrue complaint.

Failure to make reasonable adjustments is where a physical feature or a provision, criterion or practice puts a disabled person at a substantial disadvantage compared with someone who does not have that protected characteristic and the employer has failed to make reasonable adjustments to enable the disabled person to overcome the disadvantage.

Equal opportunities in employment

The council will avoid unlawful discrimination in all aspects of employment including recruitment, promotion, opportunities for training, pay and benefits, discipline and selection for redundancy.

Recruitment

Person and job specifications will be limited to those requirements that are necessary for the effective performance of the job. Candidates for employment or promotion will be assessed objectively against the requirements for the job, taking account of any reasonable adjustments that may be required for candidates with a disability. Disability and personal or home commitments will not form the basis of employment decisions except where necessary.

Working practices

The council will consider any possible indirectly discriminatory effect of its standard working practices, including the number of hours to be worked, the times at which these are to be worked and the place at which work is to be done, when considering requests for variations to these standard working practices and will refuse such requests only if the council considers it has good reasons, unrelated to any protected characteristic, for doing so. The council will comply with its obligations in relation to statutory requests for contract variations. The council will also make reasonable adjustments to its standard working practices to overcome barriers caused by disability.

Equal opportunities monitoring

The council will monitor the ethnic, sex/gender and age composition of the existing workforce and of applicants for jobs (including promotion), and the number of people with disabilities within these groups, and will consider and take any appropriate action to address any problems that may be identified as a result of the monitoring process.

The council treats personal data collected for reviewing equality and diversity in accordance with the data protection policy. Information about how data is used and the basis for processing is provided in the council's privacy notices.

Dignity at work
The council has a separate dignity at work policy concerning issues of bullying and harassment on any ground, and how complaints of this type will be dealt with.

People not employed by the council
The council will not discriminate unlawfully against those using or seeking to use the services provided by the council.

You should report any bullying or harassment by suppliers, visitors or others to the council who will take appropriate action.

Training and prevention
The council will raise awareness of equal opportunities to those likely to be involved in recruitment or other decision making where equal opportunities issues are likely to arise.

The council will raise awareness of all staff engaged to work at the council to help them understand their rights and responsibilities under the dignity at work policy and what they can do to help create a working environment free of bullying and harassment

We will take active steps to try to prevent third-party harassment of staff. If any third-party harassment of staff occurs, we will take steps to remedy any complaints and to prevent it happening again. Action may include warning the harasser about their behaviour, banning them from our premises, reporting any criminal acts to the police, and sharing information with other branches of the business.

Your responsibilities
Every employee is required to assist the council to meet its commitment to provide equal opportunities in employment and avoid unlawful discrimination. Employees can be held personally liable as well as, or instead of, the council for any act of unlawful discrimination. Employees who commit serious acts of harassment may be guilty of a criminal offence.

Acts of discrimination, harassment, bullying or victimisation against employees or customers are disciplinary offences and will be dealt with under the council's disciplinary procedure. Discrimination, harassment, bullying or victimisation may constitute gross misconduct and could lead to dismissal without notice.

Grievances
If you consider that you may have been unlawfully discriminated against, you should use the council's grievance procedure to make a complaint. If your complaint involves bullying or harassment, the grievance procedure is modified as set out in the dignity at work policy.

The council will take any complaint seriously and will seek to resolve any grievance that it upholds. You will not be penalised for raising a grievance, even if your grievance is not upheld, unless your complaint is both untrue and made in bad faith.

Monitoring and review
This policy will be monitored periodically by the council to judge its effectiveness and will be updated in accordance with changes in the law.

This is a non-contractual procedure which will be reviewed from time to time.

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Date for next review: September 2027

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Notes:

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Backwell Parish Clerk <clerk@backwell-pc.gov.uk>

Backwell Christmas Tree - New lights needed?

[redacted] 22 September 2026 at 10:47
To: Backwell Parish Clerk <clerk@backwell-pc.gov.uk>

Hi LIsa,

Costs below [redacted] yes star is still functional

10mt multicoloured string £ 43.86 + vat 12 required total £ 526.32
or

10mt multicoloured string 10% cool white flash (looks really effective) £ 49.12 + vat 12 required total £ 589.44

And 1 x 150watt transformer & 1 x easy fit connector £ 141.75

Total Non Flash £ 668.07 + £20.00 carriage + vat

Total Flash £ 731.19 + £20.00 carriage + vat

Let me know if you want it ordered.

Regards

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

On 22 Sep 2026, at 09:39, Backwell Parish Clerk <clerk@backwell-pc.gov.uk> wrote:

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COMPLETE WEED CONTROL

COMPLETE GRITTING SERVICES

local help from a national company

www.completeweedcontrol.co.uk

quotation

Ms Jane Stone
Backwell Parish Council

Quotation Number	NWX12986	Date	11/09/2026

To supply and apply chemical weed control to streets 2026
Do not treat the playgrounds at Moor Lane and Oatfield with weedkiller, as the Parish Council does not want Glyphosate used in or around the playgrounds.

Site	Description	Applications	Price Per Application	Total
Streets	Weed Control	1	£695.00	£695.00
			Sub Total	£695.00
			Standard VAT at 20.00%	£139.00
			Grand Total	£834.00

This quotation is valid for a period of 30 days from 11/09/2026
We undertake to offer further treatment free of charge to any area where it is agreed at a joint inspection that a satisfactory initial treatment in accordance with this quotation has not been achieved providing that notification of defect is given within 30 days of initial completion, or 90 days in the case of total/residual herbicides.
The specific control of grass and weed growth cannot be guaranteed due to varying seasonal temperatures and rainfall affecting the overall result.

Customer Acceptance

For acceptance of this quotation please fill in and return to Complete Weed Control at the address below.

Signature		Date	
Order Number		Grand Total	

01454 415 921 07836 345 154 north.wessex@completeweedcontrol.co.uk www.completeweedcontrol.co.uk

Complete Weed Control (North Wessex) Ltd. Registered in England and Wales. Company No: 4056365. VAT No: 762339520
1st Floor, 25 King Street, Bristol, BS1 4PB Office: Unit 4, The Rearing Site, Oldbury Lane, Oldbury on Severn, BS35 1RF

Terms and Conditions of Contract

The following terms and conditions apply to and are incorporated into any agreement, unless expressly modified or excluded in writing and signed by the Contractor.

1. THE SCOPE OF THE WORK:

1.1 The Contractor shall carry out and complete the work described in the contract documents in a good and workmanlike manner. He shall have no obligation to execute any further work unless otherwise agreed in writing between the parties. If there shall be any discrepancy between any specification and any drawing the description contained in the specification shall prevail over the drawing.
1.2 The contract documents shall include the quotation, the specification, plans and drawings and any other document referred to in said quotation. No qualification in any acceptance issued by the Client shall form part of the contract unless specifically agreed to in writing by the Contractor.
1.3 The Client is responsible for obtaining any necessary planning permission for the works and for fulfilling statutory requirements including Water Board approval where necessary.

2. QUOTATION:

2.1 The Quotation is at a fixed price which shall remain open for acceptance within 30 days of the date shown and thereafter lapses automatically.
2.2 The Contractor also reserves the right to increase the contract sum should the date for completion of the contract become impossible to attain for reasons wholly or partly beyond his control.
2.3 Acceptance of the Contractor's quotation involves acceptance of these terms and conditions and of the contract documents, and will lead to a binding contract between the parties. It should be noted by the Client that any attempted or any actual cancellation thereof by the Client may involve the Client in a claim for recovery by the Contractor of any loss or expense incurred as a result, including a claim for a loss of profit.

3. PAYMENT:

3.1 The Client agrees that he will pay to the Contractor the contract sum together with any Value Added Tax properly chargeable upon the contract sum.
3.2 All accounts are net and do not provide for any discounts or retentions, also, payment by credit card is not accepted.
3.3 Unless otherwise stated accounts are payable immediately on receipt of invoice.
3.4 Interest will be charged from the due date of payment of all invoices at 2% per month until actual payment is received.

4. THE SITE:

4.1 The Client warrants that the site is free from springs, flooding, covered wells or other cavities, or other hazards including radiation or obstructions which are not discoverable upon visual inspection of the surface of the site or made known in writing by the Client to the Contractor prior to the date upon which the Contractor submits the quotation overleaf. If the Client breaches the above warranty, the Contractor shall be entitled to make a reasonable charge for all additional work necessarily and properly executed by the Contractor as a result.

5. DELAY/DISRUPTION:

5.1 Unless otherwise agreed, the Contractor undertakes to use all reasonable endeavours to complete the works within a reasonable time or, if a specific date for completion is agreed, by that date, but under no circumstances shall the Contractor incur any liability to the Client for any untimely performance unless a figure for liquidated and ascertained damages is specifically agreed

and quoted overleaf especially if access to the site is prevented due to other works or delays in completing other work.
5.2 In the event that the Contractor is unable to perform or complete performance of the contract due to any act of God, war, strike, governmental action, regulation, restriction or order, flood, tempest or other cause (whether or not of a similar nature) beyond the reasonable control of the Contractor then the Contractor may (during the continuance of such contingency) by written notice terminate the contract without liability to either party other than for work done and materials used.

6. MATERIALS ON SITE:

6.1 Material delivered to site become the responsibility of the Client, and the Contractor accepts no responsibility for loss, damage or expense after delivery of the materials to site for any reason, including pilfering while materials are on site during the course of the contract works, where such losses are beyond the Contractor's reasonable control.
6.2 All materials brought on site by the Contractor which prove to be in excess of his requirements shall remain the property of and shall be removable by the Contractor who shall have the right to enter the site for that purpose.

7. COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS:

7.1 The Contractor will comply with all applicable statutory legislation including the Food & Environment Protection Act 1985 the Control of Pesticides Regulations and the Health and Safety at Work Act (1974) in force at the time. The Contractor does not accept responsibility for the posting of warning signs nor warning of neighbours where this may be a requirement and under the terms of this contract this responsibility must pass to the Client and will indemnify the Contractor against any claims occurring as a result of failure to take such action.
7.2 The Contractor shall not in any circumstances be responsible for any economic loss or other indirect or consequential loss, damage or expense whatsoever, howsoever caused or occasioned, unless such loss, damage or expense shall have resulted directly from death or personal injury caused by the Contractors negligence.

8. WARRANTIES:

8.1 The Contractor will undertake further treatment free of charge to any areas where it is agreed at a joint inspection that a satisfactory initial treatment in accordance with the terms of the contract have not been achieved providing that notification of defect is given within 90 days of initial completion. 8.2 Due to variations in seasonal temperatures and rainfall the specific control of grass and hedge growth is not guaranteed. Where a failure to achieve a reasonable degree of control is due to poor workmanship the Contractor will undertake to carry out a further treatment.

9. DISPUTES:

9.1 In the event of any dispute or difference between the Client and the Contractor arising during the progress of the works, or after completion or abandonment thereof in regard to any matter or thing whatsoever arising out of this contract or in connection therewith, the said dispute or difference shall be and is hereby referred to the arbitration of such person as the parties may agree to appoint as Arbiter/Arbitrator or failing agreement within fourteen days after either party has given to the other written notice to concur in the appointment of an Arbiter/Arbitrator as may be appointed by the National Chairman of the National Association of Agricultural Contractors (NAAC) Arbitration proceedings shall be deemed to have been instituted on the date on which said written notice has been given. The Arbiter/Arbitrator shall be entitled to remuneration and reimbursement of his outlays. This contract shall be regarded as a English Contract and shall be construed and the rights of parties and all matters arising hereunder determined in all respects according to the Law of England and Wales unless this contract is made by the Contractor in Scotland when it shall be regarded as a Scottish contract and all matters determined accordingly under Scottish Law.

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ON 1ST OCTOBER 2026

	Name	Invoice no	Details	Date	Payment	Net Amount	VAT	Total
Receipts								
26:R16	NatWest	n/a	Bank interest	28.08.26	IN	£189.93	£0.00	£189.93
26:R15	North Somerset Council	n/a	Precept payment	04.09.26	IN	£134,633.43	£0.00	£134,633.43
	Backwell Residents Association	n/a	Donation	24.09.26	IN	£5,000.00	£0.00	£5,000.00
						£139,823.36	**£0.00**	**£139,823.36**
					Plus receipts received after Agenda	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**
							GRAND TOTAL	**£139,823.36**

Corporate Purchasing Card				**Date**		**Net Amount**	**VAT**	**Total**
26:265	Lebara	N/A	Monthly charge for Sim card for digital noticeboard	15.09.26	PURCHASE	£5.00	£0.00	£5.00
26:261	Total Mechandise	N/A	100 BPC pens	14.08.26	PURCHASE	£105.00	£21	£126.00
26:272	Blakemore Retail Backwell	N/A	Office milk & teabags	18.09.26	PURCHASE	£5.75	£0	£5.75
26:262	Lloyds Commercial Banking	N/A	Card monthly charge	26.08.26	CHG	£3.00	£0	£3.00
					Total	**£118.75**	**£21.00**	**£139.75**

Payments								
PO27/26:	Jet Property Management	N/A	Office monthly rent October 2026	01.10.26	SO	£750.00	£0.00	£750.00
26:266	Unity Trust Bank	N/A	Unity T1 - bank charge 31 Aug 26	31.08.26	CHG	£7.00	£0.00	£7.00
26:269	Unity Trust Bank	N/A	Unity T2 - bank charge 31 Aug 26	30.09.26	CHG	£13.15	£0.00	£13.15
26:268	North Somerset Council	800524702	Office fortnightly waste disposal	01.11.26	DD	£48.40	£0.00	£48.40
26:270	British Gas	727443969	Parish Office 26 August to 15 Sept 26	29.09.26	DD	£9.94	£0.49	£10.43
26:264	EDF	29451517	Parish Lighting 01 Aug -31 Aug 26	01.09.26	BACS	£169.68	£8.48	£178.16
26:263	EDF	KI-0C1375BA-0030	Christmas Lights Feeder Pillar	15.09.26	BACS	£25.78	£1.29	£27.07
PO21/26:	Digital Signage Limited	21	Digital noticeboard - pre despatch payment.	11.09.26	BACS	£7,491.75	£1,498.35	£8,990.10
26:258	Chris Whitlow & Associates	83.0706	Local Plan flood risk advice proposal	08.09.26	BACS	£4,000.00	£800.00	£4,800.00
26:259	Tarmac	468	Chippings for allotment carpark and pathway	08.09.26	BACS	£390.00	£78.00	£468.00
26:251	CPS Grounds Ltd	INV-12504	Grounds maintenance September	01.10.26	BACS	£446.06	£89.21	£535.27
26:267	BNP Leasing Solutions	B7980082	Photocopier leasing agreement	30.10.26	DD	£129.00	£25.80	£154.80
26:271	G Wells	N/A	Refund of overpayment	16.09.26	REFUND	-£10.00	£0.00	-£10.00
26:281	GB Sports & Leisure	21005	Operational playground inspections - September 26	01.10.26	BACS	£50.00	£10.00	£60.00
26:273/26:276/26:277/26:279	Staff salaries	N/A	Salaries Oct 2026	30.10.26	BACS	£5,055.87	£0.00	£5,055.87
26:275	HM Revenue & Customs	N/A	PAYE & NI – Sept 2026 (mth 6)	06.10.26	BACS	£818.68	£0.00	£818.68
26:274	Avon Pension Fund	N/A	Pension contributions - Sept 2026 (mth 6)	01.10.26	BACS	£1,172.60	£0.00	£1,172.60
26:280	L Galpin	N/A	Expenses - office milk	01.10.26	BACS	£10.20	£0.00	£10.20
26:278	R Taylor	N/A	Epenses - mileage, lock and rust repellant	01.10.26	BACS	£147.99	£0.00	£147.99
				Corporate Purchasing Card		£118.75	£21.00	£139.75
						£20,844.85	**£2,532.62**	**£23,377.47**
					Plus invoices received after Agenda	**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£0.00**
					Plus bank transfer after Agenda			**£0.00**
							GRAND TOTAL	**£23,377.47**

Bank transfers								
N/A	Unity T2	N/A	Lloyds Bank Corporate Card	09.09.26	TRANSFER	£399.60	£0.00	£399.60
								£0.00
			TOTAL			**£0.00**	**£0.00**	**£399.60**

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Prepared by: Clare Melton Date: 22nd September 2026

Name and Role (Clerk/RFO etc)

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

Name and Role (RFO/Chair of Finance etc)

	Bank Reconciliation at 22/09/2026			
	Cash in Hand 01/04/2026			432,332.52
	ADD			
	Receipts 01/04/2026 - 22/09/2026			279,056.70
				711,389.22
	SUBTRACT			
	Payments 01/04/2026 - 22/09/2026			171,352.15
A	**Cash in Hand 22/09/2026** (per Cash Book)			**540,037.07**
	Cash in hand per Bank Statements			
	HSBC Savings Account 2	22/09/2026	66,028.58	
	Unity Bank Savings	22/09/2026	24,394.72	
	Nat West Reserve	22/09/2026	291,476.38	
	Unity Bank T2 account (online payr	22/09/2026	150,185.39	
	Unity T1 account (Planning)	22/09/2026	7,952.00	
	Lloyds Bank Corporate Card	22/09/2026	0.00	
				540,037.07
	Less unpresented payments			
				540,037.07
	Plus unpresented receipts			
B	**Adjusted Bank Balance**			**540,037.07**
	A = B Checks out OK			

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					STARTING BALANCE					**432,332.52**	
2	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Pension	Mar 26 (mth 12	Pension	Avon Pension Fund	-1,436.34		-1,436.34	430,896.18	02/04/2026
30	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Subscriptions	ALCA & NALC	Annual Subscription	ALCA	-320.95		-320.95	430,575.23	02/04/2026
30	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Subscriptions	ALCA & NALC	Annual Subscription	ALCA	-659.35		-659.35	429,915.88	02/04/2026
22	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment	Meeting room t	Office Equipment	Office Boffins	-244.95	-48.99	-293.94	429,621.94	02/04/2026
20	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	IT Support & bu	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-202.00	-40.40	-242.40	429,379.54	01/04/2026
34	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office rent - out	Apr 26	Office Rent - out	Mr & Mrs Tingle	-750.00		-750.00	428,629.54	01/04/2026
13	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	office milk	Expenses	Clare Melton	-1.40		-1.40	428,628.14	02/04/2026
1	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Office supplies	Office Stationery	Rapide	-45.13	-9.03	-54.16	428,573.98	02/04/2026
11	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Councillors Expens	Mileage	Expenses	Mr R Taylor	-105.30		-105.30	428,468.68	02/04/2026
12	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Equipment Mainter	Arch bridge rep	Repairs at Moor Lane	Wicksteed Leisure	-839.20	-167.84	-1,007.04	427,461.64	02/04/2026
18	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	March 26	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	427,431.64	02/04/2026
5	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Station Road	Grass Cutting Station Road	Landscape Services	-18.89	-3.78	-22.67	427,408.97	02/04/2026
6	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Sites A,B,C	Grass Cutting	Landscape Services	-248.59	-49.72	-298.31	427,110.66	02/04/2026
7	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Moor Lane	Grass Cutting Moor Lane	Landscape Services	-340.14	-68.03	-408.17	426,702.49	02/04/2026
26	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	March 26	Emptying dog bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-315.00	-63.00	-378.00	426,324.49	02/04/2026
27	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	March 26	Emptying dog/litter bins Moor Lane	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-220.00	-44.00	-264.00	426,060.49	02/04/2026
28	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	March 26	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-120.00	-24.00	-144.00	425,916.49	02/04/2026
23	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	01 Feb - 28 Fel	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-16.22	-0.81	-17.03	425,899.46	02/04/2026
29	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	Festive lighting	Festive Lighting	Lite Ltd	-1,840.25	-368.05	-2,208.30	423,691.16	02/04/2026
18	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	March 26	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	423,661.16	02/04/2026
10	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	April Refuse co	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-46.71		-46.71	423,614.45	01/04/2026
25	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	March 26	Office/Village cleaning	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-704.00	-140.80	-844.80	422,769.65	02/04/2026
4	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Maintainenc	Ceiling repair a	Office Maintainence (inc repairs to the building)	Jet Property Managem	-262.33		-262.33	422,507.32	02/04/2026
24	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Payroll services	March 26	Payroll	Cobalt Accountants	-27.50	-5.50	-33.00	422,474.32	02/04/2026
32	01/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Digital noticeboard	Digital noticebc	Planning application fee	The Planning Portal	-396.00		-396.00	422,078.32	02/04/2026
3	06/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff NI	Mar 26 (mth 12	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-568.69		-568.69	421,509.63	07/04/2026
3	06/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	PAYE	Mar 26 (mth 12	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-470.80		-470.80	421,038.83	07/04/2026
1	10/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Precept NSC	Precept Payme	Precept	North Somerset Coun	134,633.43		134,633.43	555,672.26	10/04/2026
33	10/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Mar 26	Window cleaning	Sparkle Restore	-27.57	-5.51	-33.08	555,639.18	13/04/2026
2	17/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	VAT Refund	1 Oct 25-31 Ma	VAT Refund	HMRC (HM Revenue		7,566.43	7,566.43	563,205.61	22/04/2026
36	17/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Chairmans Allowar	For Lisa	Flowers	The Flower Gift (Joanr	-30.00		-30.00	563,175.61	21/04/2026
21	20/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Telephone/Broadba	18th April-17th	Telephone DD	Virgin Media Business	-46.04	-9.21	-55.25	563,120.36	20/04/2026
3	23/04/2026	HSBC Savings Ac	Bank Interest	Apr 26	Bank Interest	HSBC	71.37		71.37	563,191.73	23/04/2026

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19	24/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	20th Feb - 23rc	Photocopier charges	Vision Office Technica	-129.99	-25.99	-155.98	563,035.75	24/04/2026
31	26/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	Parish Office	Electricity DD	EDF	-17.44	-0.87	-18.31	563,017.44	27/04/2026
47	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Memories at the Barn	-450.00		-450.00	562,567.44	29/04/2026
48	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Life	-500.00		-500.00	562,067.44	29/04/2026
49	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Parish Hall	-3,116.00		-3,116.00	558,951.44	29/04/2026
50	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Playing Fielc	-16,000.00		-16,000.00	542,951.44	29/04/2026
51	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Senior Club	-175.00		-175.00	542,776.44	29/04/2026
52	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell & Nailsea Su	-400.00		-400.00	542,376.44	05/06/2026
53	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Great Western Air Aml	-2,200.00		-2,200.00	540,176.44	29/04/2026
54	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Somerset Internationa	-900.00		-900.00	539,276.44	29/04/2026
55	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Somerset Storyfest	-1,250.00		-1,250.00	538,026.44	29/04/2026
56	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	St Andrew's Church	-700.00		-700.00	537,326.44	30/04/2026
57	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Toddler Grou	-1,528.00		-1,528.00	535,798.44	29/04/2026
58	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Climate Actic	-600.00		-600.00	535,198.44	28/05/2026
59	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Foundation	-200.00		-200.00	534,998.44	05/05/2026
60	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Wellspring Counsellin	-3,000.00		-3,000.00	531,998.44	29/04/2026
61	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	West Backwell Bowlin	-650.00		-650.00	531,348.44	29/04/2026
62	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Athletic Junic	-2,500.00		-2,500.00	528,848.44	29/04/2026
63	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell Junior Schoc	-6,500.00		-6,500.00	522,348.44	29/04/2026
64	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Village Magazine	-500.00		-500.00	521,848.44	29/04/2026
65	28/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026-27 Grant	Grant	Backwell & Nailsea Ma	-350.00		-350.00	521,498.44	11/06/2026
5	30/04/2026	Nat West Reserve	Bank Interest	Apr 26	Bank Interest	Nat West Bank	209.16		209.16	521,707.60	30/04/2026
14	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	Apr 26 (mth 1)	Salary	[redacted]					30/04/2026
15	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	Apr 26 plus CiL	Salary						30/04/2026
16	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	Apr 26 (mth 1)	Salary						30/04/2026
17	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	Apr 26 (mth 1)	Salary						30/04/2026
8	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	Office photocop	Photocopier Lease Rental	BNP Paribas Leasing	-129.00	-25.80	-154.80	517,326.10	30/04/2026
76	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Street Lighting (Ro	01 Mar to 31 M	Street lighting	EDF	-173.00	-8.65	-181.65	517,144.45	30/04/2026
91	30/04/2026	Unity T1 account (	Bank Charges	Apr 26	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-7.00		-7.00	517,137.45	30/04/2026
43	30/04/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Bank Charges	Online	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-11.95		-11.95	517,125.50	30/04/2026
66	01/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	IT Support & bu	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-202.00	-40.40	-242.40	516,883.10	01/05/2026
87	01/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office rent - out	May 26	Office Rent - out	Mr & Mrs Tingle	-750.00		-750.00	516,133.10	01/05/2026
9	01/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Refuse collecti	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-46.71		-46.71	516,086.39	01/05/2026
88	05/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	Repayment of (	Grant	West Backwell Bowlin	650.00		650.00	516,736.39	05/05/2026

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42	05/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	01 Mar to 31 M	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-18.60	-0.93	-19.53	516,716.86	05/05/2026
4	06/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	CIL	CIL2025/26/H2	CIL receipt	North Somerset Coun	45.00		45.00	516,761.86	06/05/2026
75	06/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	18 Mar-21 Apri	Gas DD	British Gas	-63.78	-3.19	-66.97	516,694.89	06/05/2026
77	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Pension	April 26 mth1	Pension	Avon Pension Fund	-1,234.13		-1,234.13	515,460.76	08/05/2026
70	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff NI	April 26 mth1	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-593.32		-593.32	514,867.44	08/05/2026
41	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Stationery	Office paper et	Stationery	Rapide	-80.41	-16.08	-96.49	514,770.95	08/05/2026
78	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Audit Fees	Internal Audit	Audit Fees	Auditing Solutions Ltd	-265.00	-53.00	-318.00	514,452.95	08/05/2026
44	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Milk for office	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-0.90		-0.90	514,452.05	08/05/2026
45	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Ofice milk & co	Expenses	Mrs L Galpin	-14.90		-14.90	514,437.15	08/05/2026
74	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Councillors Expens	Refreshments a	Councillors Expenses	Mrs M Bowerman	-12.55		-12.55	514,424.60	08/05/2026
79	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Councillors Expens	Mileage	Expenses	Mr R Taylor	-48.60		-48.60	514,376.00	08/05/2026
68	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	April 26	Annual Play Inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	514,346.00	08/05/2026
37	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Station Road	Grass Cutting Station Road	Landscape Services	-18.89	-3.78	-22.67	514,323.33	08/05/2026
38	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Sites A,B,C	Grass Cutting	Landscape Services	-248.59	-49.72	-298.31	514,025.02	08/05/2026
39	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Moor Lane	Grass Cutting Moor Lane	Landscape Services	-340.14	-68.03	-408.17	513,616.85	08/05/2026
82	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	April 26	Emptying dog bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-286.00	-57.20	-343.20	513,273.65	08/05/2026
83	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	April 26 Moor L	Emptying dog/litter bins Moor Lane	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-242.00	-48.40	-290.40	512,983.25	08/05/2026
84	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	Litter bins April	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-132.00	-26.40	-158.40	512,824.85	08/05/2026
68	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	April 26	Annual Play Inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	512,794.85	08/05/2026
70	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	PAYE	April 26 mth1	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-490.80		-490.80	512,304.05	08/05/2026
85	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	CIL	Roundabout M	Play equipment	GL Jones	-16,125.00	-3,225.00	-19,350.00	492,954.05	08/05/2026
81	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	April 26	Office/Village cleaning	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-743.29	-148.66	-891.95	492,062.10	08/05/2026
46	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Climate Emergency	Litter picking ai	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-21.93		-21.93	492,040.17	08/05/2026
80	07/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Payroll services	April 26	Payroll	Cobalt Accountants	-27.50	-5.50	-33.00	492,007.17	08/05/2026
92	08/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Street Lighting (Ro		Street lighting	EDF	-205.21	-8.24	-213.45	491,793.72	08/05/2026
89	08/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	1 Apr - 4 May 2	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-23.40	-1.17	-24.57	491,769.15	08/05/2026
35	08/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Nailsea & District C	Contribution to	Service Level Agreement	Nailsea & District Com	-5,000.00		-5,000.00	486,769.15	08/05/2026
93	12/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment	Meeting room c	Office Equipment	Office Reality Ltd	-239.60	-47.92	-287.52	486,481.63	12/05/2026
6	13/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	2026	Village Orderly Grant	North Somerset Coun	685.14		685.14	487,166.77	15/05/2026
67	18/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Telephone/Broadba	18th May to 17	Telephone DD	Virgin Media Business	-43.00	-8.60	-51.60	487,115.17	18/05/2026
90	20/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	23 Mar - 24 Ap	Photocopier charges	Vision Office Technical	-114.80	-22.96	-137.76	486,977.41	20/05/2026
100	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Postage	Stamps for Felt	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-127.40		-127.40	486,850.01	22/05/2026
110	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Insurance	Year 1 of 3	Insurance	Zurich Municipal	-1,281.35		-1,281.35	485,568.66	22/05/2026
97	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	2 Extra office e	Email charge	PCD IT Support	-12.00	-2.40	-14.40	485,554.26	22/05/2026

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99	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Office Milk & te	Expenses	Clare Melton	-7.10		-7.10	485,547.16	22/05/2026
94	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Moor Lane 13tl	Grass Cutting Moor Lane	Landscape Services	-362.44	-72.49	-434.93	485,112.23	22/05/2026
95	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Last cuts of cor	Grass Cutting	Landscape Services	-284.16	-56.84	-341.00	484,771.23	22/05/2026
96	22/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Maintainenc	Drain smell	Drains	S J Price Plumbing &	-110.00	-22.00	-132.00	484,639.23	22/05/2026
7	23/05/2026	HSBC Savings Ac	Bank Interest	Bank Interest	Bank Interest	HSBC	69.14		69.14	484,708.37	23/05/2026
86	26/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	Parish Office	Electricity DD	EDF	-17.44	-0.87	-18.31	484,690.06	26/05/2026
114	28/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	IT Support & bu	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-220.00	-44.00	-264.00	484,426.06	01/06/2026
8	29/05/2026	Nat West Reserve	Bank Interest	May 26	Bank Interest	Nat West Bank	196.28		196.28	484,622.34	29/05/2026
69	29/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	May 26	Salary	[redacted]					29/05/2026
71	29/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	May 26 plus Ci	Salary						29/05/2026
72	29/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	May 26	Salary						29/05/2026
73	29/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	May 26	Salary						29/05/2026
123	31/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Bank Charges	DUPLICATE O	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank				480,295.78	03/06/2026
124	31/05/2026	Unity T1 account (	Bank Charges	Online	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-7.00		-7.00	480,288.78	31/05/2026
102	31/05/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Bank Charges	Bank charges	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-14.50		-14.50	480,274.28	31/05/2026
129	01/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office rent - out	Jun 26	Office Rent - out	Mr & Mrs Tingle	-750.00		-750.00	479,524.28	01/06/2026
104	01/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	22nd Apri to 15	Gas DD	British Gas	-18.08	-0.90	-18.98	479,505.30	01/06/2026
40	01/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Refuse collecti	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-46.71		-46.71	479,458.59	01/06/2026
98	01/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Additional recy	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-1.69		-1.69	479,456.90	01/06/2026
106	04/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Pension	May 26 mth2	Pension	Avon Pension Fund	-1,329.21		-1,329.21	478,127.69	05/06/2026
112	04/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	office milk	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-0.90		-0.90	478,126.79	05/06/2026
134	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grants	Additional gran	Grant	Backwell Parish Hall	-1,162.00		-1,162.00	476,964.79	05/06/2026
113	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Mileage for me	Expenses	Amy Symonds	-20.70		-20.70	476,944.09	05/06/2026
121	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Office milk & co	Expenses	Amy Symonds	-6.60		-6.60	476,937.49	05/06/2026
119	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Councillors Expens	Felton meeting	Expenses	Mrs M Bowerman	-21.03		-21.03	476,916.46	05/06/2026
103	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Equipment Mainter	Cradle swing s	Repairs at Moor Lane	GB Sport & Leisure	-309.20	-61.84	-371.04	476,545.42	05/06/2026
116	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	May 2026	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	476,515.42	05/06/2026
130	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Street Lighting (Ro		Street lighting	EDF	-167.50	-7.68	-175.18	476,340.24	05/06/2026
126	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	May 26	Emptying dog bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-297.00		-297.00	476,043.24	05/06/2026
127	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	May 26	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-165.00		-165.00	475,878.24	05/06/2026
128	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	May 26	Emptying dog/litter bins Moor Lane	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-302.50		-302.50	475,575.74	05/06/2026
122	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	4 May to 31 Ma	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-14.40	-0.72	-15.12	475,560.62	05/06/2026
116	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	May 2026	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	475,530.62	05/06/2026
131	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	General Maintenar	1st Allotment ci	Maintenance at Allotments	CPS Grounds Ltd	-265.00	-53.00	-318.00	475,212.62	05/06/2026

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125	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	May 26	Office/Village cleaning	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-748.00		-748.00	474,464.62	05/06/2026
120	05/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Payroll services	May 26	Payroll	Cobalt Accountants	-27.50	-5.50	-33.00	474,431.62	05/06/2026
107	07/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff NI	May 2026 (mth	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-683.32		-683.32	473,748.30	08/06/2026
107	07/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	PAYE	May 2026 (mth	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-729.40		-729.40	473,018.90	08/06/2026
135	16/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Final cut	Grass Cutting	Landscape Services	-142.08	-28.42	-170.50	472,848.40	16/06/2026
117	18/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Telephone/Broadba	18 Jun - 17 Jul	Telephone DD	Virgin Media Business	-44.68	-8.94	-53.62	472,794.78	18/06/2026
144	18/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Glasses (wine	Expenses	Mrs L Galpin	-170.00		-170.00	472,624.78	03/07/2026
157	19/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Notice Boards	Installment 1	Digital Noticeboard - Quote ref 25070412b	Digital Media Systems	-7,491.75	-1,498.35	-8,990.10	463,634.68	22/06/2026
9	23/06/2026	HSBC Savings Ac	Bank Interest	To 22 June 26	Bank Interest	HSBC	71.52		71.52	463,706.20	23/06/2026
115	24/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	24 Apr 26 to 26	Photocopier charges	Vision Office Technica	-216.61	-43.33	-259.94	463,446.26	24/06/2026
158	26/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	IT Support & bu	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-220.00	-44.00	-264.00	463,182.26	01/07/2026
118	26/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	Parish Office 0	Electricity DD	EDF	-17.44	-0.87	-18.31	463,163.95	26/06/2026
10	30/06/2026	Unity Bank Saving	Bank Interest	Jun 26	Bank Interest	Unity Trust Bank	118.02		118.02	463,281.97	30/06/2026
11	30/06/2026	Nat West Reserve	Bank Interest	Jun 26	Bank Interest	Nat West Bank	216.75		216.75	463,498.72	30/06/2026
105	30/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	June 26 (mth)	Salary	[redacted]					30/06/2026
108	30/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	June 2026 plus	Salary						30/06/2026
109	30/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	June 26(mth)	Salary						30/06/2026
111	30/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	June 2026(mth	Salary						30/06/2026
140	30/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	16 May to 16 J	Gas DD	British Gas	-15.99	-0.79	-16.78	459,383.97	30/06/2026
181	30/06/2026	Unity T1 account (	Bank Charges	Jun 26	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-7.00		-7.00	459,376.97	30/06/2026
139	30/06/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Bank Charges	01.05.26-31.05	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-13.45		-13.45	459,363.52	30/06/2026
189	01/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office rent - out	Jul 26	Office Rent - out	Mr & Mrs Tingle	-750.00		-750.00	458,613.52	01/07/2026
101	01/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Refuse collecti	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-48.40		-48.40	458,565.12	01/07/2026
155	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Pension	Jun 26 (mth 3)	Pension	Avon Pension Fund	-1,217.52		-1,217.52	457,347.60	03/07/2026
137	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Subscriptions	Subs 2026-27	Annual Subscription	Parish Councils Airpor	-95.00		-95.00	457,252.60	03/07/2026
143	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Subscriptions	Annual data pr	Data Controller fee	Information Commissi	-52.00		-52.00	457,200.60	03/07/2026
146	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Allotment Train	Training	SLCC	-77.00	-15.40	-92.40	457,108.20	03/07/2026
141	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Milk for office	Expenses	Clare Melton	-3.80		-3.80	457,104.40	03/07/2026
145	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Mileage & park	Expenses	Amy Symonds	-8.24		-8.24	457,096.16	03/07/2026
147	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Office fan & mi	Expenses	Clare Melton	-43.34		-43.34	457,052.82	03/07/2026
136	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Hall Hire	June 4th meeti	Hall Hire	Felton Village Hall	-30.00		-30.00	457,022.82	03/07/2026
148	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Councillors Expens	Mileage	Councillors Expenses	Mr R Taylor	-56.70		-56.70	456,966.12	03/07/2026
168	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Equipment Mainter	post repair for	Bin repair	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-100.00		-100.00	456,866.12	03/07/2026
142	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	Annual inspect	Annual Play Inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-95.00	-19.00	-114.00	456,752.12	03/07/2026

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160	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	June 2026	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	456,722.12	03/07/2026
138	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	June 2026	Grounds maintenance	CPS Grounds Ltd	-286.96	-57.39	-344.35	456,377.77	03/07/2026
169	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	July 2026	Grounds maintenance	CPS Grounds Ltd	-286.96	-57.39	-344.35	456,033.42	03/07/2026
149	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Hedge cutting	Initial hedge cu	Hedge cutting	CPS Grounds Ltd	-285.00	-57.00	-342.00	455,691.42	03/07/2026
172	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Street Lighting (Ro	01 Jun to 30 Ju	Street lighting	EDF	-149.38	-7.47	-156.85	455,534.57	03/07/2026
162	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	June 2026	Emptying dog bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-297.00		-297.00	455,237.57	03/07/2026
165	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	June 2026	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-132.00		-132.00	455,105.57	03/07/2026
167	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	June 2026	Emptying dog/litter bins Moor Lane	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-242.00		-242.00	454,863.57	03/07/2026
163	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	01 June to 30 J	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-19.20	-0.96	-20.16	454,843.41	03/07/2026
142	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	Annual inspect	Annual Play Inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-95.00	-19.00	-114.00	454,729.41	03/07/2026
150	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	General Maintenar	Oatfield replac	Gate & Fence Repairs	Nailsea Fencing & Ga	-995.00	-199.00	-1,194.00	453,535.41	03/07/2026
160	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	June 2026	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	453,505.41	03/07/2026
170	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	General Maintenar	Drainage chan	Allotment maintenance	CPS Grounds Ltd	-1,680.00	-336.00	-2,016.00	451,489.41	03/07/2026
161	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clea	June 2026	Office/Village cleaning	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-748.00		-748.00	450,741.41	03/07/2026
171	02/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Payroll services	June 2026	Payroll	Cobalt Accountants	-27.50	-5.50	-33.00	450,708.41	03/07/2026
156	07/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff NI	June 2026	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-577.60		-577.60	450,130.81	07/07/2026
156	07/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	PAYE	June 2026	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-560.40		-560.40	449,570.41	07/07/2026
175	08/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Events	Drinks & nibble	Summer Drinks Event	Mr R Taylor	-70.29		-70.29	449,500.12	07/08/2026
187	14/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Equipment	Replacement d	New litter/dog bin for Moor Lane	Roadware	-249.25	-49.85	-299.10	449,201.02	14/07/2026
166	20/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Telephone/Broadba	18 July to 17 A	Telephone DD	Virgin Media Business	-43.00	-8.60	-51.60	449,149.42	20/07/2026
191	21/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Hedge cutting	A370/Farleigh	Hedge cutting	Glendale Countryside	-189.00	-37.80	-226.80	448,922.62	21/07/2026
12	23/07/2026	HSBC Savings Ac	Bank Interest	To 22 Jul 26	Bank Interest	HSBC	69.29		69.29	448,991.91	23/07/2026
159	24/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	26 May to 25 J	Photocopier charges	Vision Office Technica	-136.28	-27.25	-163.53	448,828.38	24/07/2026
164	26/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	01 June to 30 J	Electricity DD	EDF	-17.44	-0.87	-18.31	448,810.07	27/07/2026
199	28/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr Ould & A S	Training	NALC	-70.00	-14.00	-84.00	448,726.07	28/07/2026
200	28/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr Ould & A S	Training	NALC	-70.00	-14.00	-84.00	448,642.07	28/07/2026
202	28/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	IT Support & bu	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-220.00	-44.00	-264.00	448,378.07	03/08/2026
184	28/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	17 June to 14 J	Gas DD	British Gas	-14.11	-0.70	-14.81	448,363.26	28/07/2026
132	30/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	Office photocop	Photocopier Lease Rental	BNP Paribas Leasing	-129.00	-25.80	-154.80	448,208.46	30/07/2026
13	31/07/2026	Nat West Reserve	Bank Interest	Jul 26	Bank Interest	Nat West Bank	210.13		210.13	448,418.59	31/07/2026
151	31/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	July 26 (mth)	Salary	[redacted]					31/07/2026
152	31/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	July 26 plus Cil	Salary						31/07/2026
153	31/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	July 26 (mth)	Salary						31/07/2026
154	31/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	July 26(mth)	Salary						31/07/2026

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185	31/07/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Bank Charges	Online	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-12.10		-12.10	444,522.58	31/07/2026
222	31/07/2026	Unity T1 account (	Bank Charges	Jul 26	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-7.00		-7.00	444,515.58	31/07/2026
224	01/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office rent - out	Aug 26	Office Rent - out	Mr & Mrs Tingle	-750.00		-750.00	443,765.58	03/08/2026
133	01/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Refuse collecti	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-48.40		-48.40	443,717.18	03/08/2026
177	03/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	08.01.26-30.06	Water Rates DD Parish Office	Water2Business	-130.78		-130.78	443,586.40	03/08/2026
178	03/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Water Rates	09.01.26-02.07	Water Rates DD Allotments	Water2Business	-171.96		-171.96	443,414.44	03/08/2026
183	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff NI		PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-504.72		-504.72	442,909.72	07/08/2026
182	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Stationery	Paper, batterie	Stationery	Rapide	-25.54	-5.11	-30.65	442,879.07	07/08/2026
204	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Stationery	Office stationer	Stationery	Rapide	-84.72	-16.94	-101.66	442,777.41	07/08/2026
188	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr Harland 16	Training	NALC	-35.00	-7.00	-42.00	442,735.41	07/08/2026
213	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	Elements EPP	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-100.00	-20.00	-120.00	442,615.41	07/08/2026
173	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Drain cleaner &	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-10.40		-10.40	442,605.01	07/08/2026
197	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Hand soap	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-1.85		-1.85	442,603.16	07/08/2026
198	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Mileage Planni	Expenses	Amy Symonds	-5.06		-5.06	442,598.10	07/08/2026
208	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Footrest (Amy)	Expenses	Hannah MacCallum-N	-16.99		-16.99	442,581.11	07/08/2026
214	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Hall Hire	1st Apr-16 July	Hall Hire	Backwell Parish Hall	-254.00		-254.00	442,327.11	07/08/2026
203	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Councillors Expens	Mileage	Expenses	Mr R Taylor	-39.60		-39.60	442,287.51	07/08/2026
219	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Equipment Mainter	Replacement p	New litter/dog bin for Moor Lane	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-100.00		-100.00	442,187.51	07/08/2026
217	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	July 2026	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	442,157.51	07/08/2026
211	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	July 26	Emptying dog bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-346.50		-346.50	441,811.01	07/08/2026
216	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	July 26	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-165.00		-165.00	441,646.01	07/08/2026
218	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	July 26	Emptying dog/litter bins Moor Lane	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-302.50		-302.50	441,343.51	07/08/2026
212	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	01 June to 30 J	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-17.40	-0.87	-18.27	441,325.24	07/08/2026
217	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	July 2026	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	441,295.24	07/08/2026
183	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	PAYE		PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-500.40		-500.40	440,794.84	07/08/2026
179	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Planning (general)	Boundary Com	Planning Consultant	Lucy White Planning L	-650.00	-130.00	-780.00	440,014.84	07/08/2026
210	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	July 2026	Office/Village cleaning	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-748.00		-748.00	439,266.84	07/08/2026
206	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Maintainenc	Ladies toilet lea	Toilet leak repair	S J Price Plumbing & I	-90.00	-18.00	-108.00	439,158.84	07/08/2026
220	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Maintainenc	Toilet drains inv	Drains	Flow Sure Drains Ltd	-120.00		-120.00	439,038.84	07/08/2026
176	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Events	Catering for sui	Summer Drinks Event	AHM Catering Experie	-376.00	-75.20	-451.20	438,587.64	07/08/2026
186	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Events	Summer drinks	Expenses	Mrs M Bowerman	-16.00		-16.00	438,571.64	07/08/2026
180	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Local Green Space	Advice on FFE	Legal advice	Veale Wasbrough Viza	-2,514.00	-502.80	-3,016.80	435,554.84	07/08/2026
215	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Payroll services	Jul 26	Payroll	Cobalt Accountants	-27.50	-5.50	-33.00	435,521.84	07/08/2026
179	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	NSC Local Plan	Boundary Com	Planning Consultant	Lucy White Planning L	-260.00	-52.00	-312.00	435,209.84	07/08/2026

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Voucher	Date	Bank	Cost Code	Chq/Rec No.	Description	Supplier	Net	VAT	Total	Balance	Cashed date
179	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	NSC Local Plan	Boundary Com	Planning Consultant	Lucy White Planning L	-130.00	-26.00	-156.00	435,053.84	07/08/2026
179	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grove Farm	Boundary Com	Planning Consultant	Lucy White Planning L	-260.00	-52.00	-312.00	434,741.84	07/08/2026
179	06/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Planning Consultar	Boundary Com	Planning Consultant	Lucy White Planning L	-600.00	-120.00	-720.00	434,021.84	07/08/2026
193	07/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Pension	July (mth 4) 20	Pension	Avon Pension Fund	-1,140.52		-1,140.52	432,881.32	07/08/2026
201	10/08/2026	Lloyds Bank Corpc	Office expenses	Coffee for offic	Sundries Parish Office	Blakemore Retail Bacl	-3.75		-3.75	432,877.57	10/08/2026
190	10/08/2026	Lloyds Bank Corpc	General Maintenar	Wasp Nest Pov	Wasp Nest Powder	John Brown Harware	-9.32	-1.86	-11.18	432,866.39	10/08/2026
223	10/08/2026	Lloyds Bank Corpc	Bank Charges	Fee Jul 26	Bank Charges	Lloyds Bank Commerc	-3.00		-3.00	432,863.39	10/08/2026
261	14/08/2026	Lloyds Bank Corpc	Stationery	100 x blue BPC	BPC branded pens	Total Merchandise Ltd	-105.00	-21.00	-126.00	432,737.39	09/09/2026
207	18/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Telephone/Broadbz	18 Aug to 17 S	Telephone DD	Virgin Media Business	-44.70	-8.94	-53.64	432,683.75	18/08/2026
236	19/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Street Lighting (Ro	01 Jul to 31 Jul	Street lighting	EDF	-163.84	-8.19	-172.03	432,511.72	19/08/2026
14	23/08/2026	HSBC Savings Acc	Bank Interest	To 23rd Aug 26	Bank Interest	HSBC	71.68		71.68	432,583.40	23/08/2026
205	25/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Photocopier	25 Jun to 24 Ju	Photocopier charges	Vision Office Technica	-108.30	-21.67	-129.97	432,453.43	25/08/2026
209	26/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	Parish Office Ju	Electricity DD	EDF	-48.07	-2.40	-50.47	432,402.96	26/08/2026
262	26/08/2026	Lloyds Bank Corpc	Bank Charges	Fee Aug 26	Bank Charges	Lloyds Bank Commerc	-3.00		-3.00	432,399.96	09/09/2026
16	28/08/2026	Nat West Reserve	Bank Interest	Aug 26	Bank Interest	Nat West Bank	189.93		189.93	432,589.89	28/08/2026
192	28/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	August 26	Salary	[redacted]					28/08/2026
194	28/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	August 26	Salary						28/08/2026
195	28/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	August 26	Salary						28/08/2026
196	28/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Salaries	August 26	Salary						28/08/2026
266	31/08/2026	Unity T1 account (	Bank Charges	Aug 26	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-7.00		-7.00	426,960.66	31/08/2026
232	31/08/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Bank Charges	01.07.26-31.07	Bank Charges	Unity Trust Bank	-13.00		-13.00	426,947.66	31/08/2026
246	01/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office Equipment M	IT Support & bu	IT Support	PCD IT Support	-220.00	-44.00	-264.00	426,683.66	01/09/2026
257	01/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office rent - out		Office Rent - out	Mr & Mrs Tingle	-750.00		-750.00	425,933.66	01/09/2026
174	01/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Refuse collecti	NSC fornightly refuse collection	North Somerset Coun	-48.40		-48.40	425,885.26	02/09/2026
15	02/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Precept NSC	Precept Payme	Precept	North Somerset Coun	134,633.43		134,633.43	560,518.69	04/09/2026
256	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff Pension	Aug 26 (mth 5)	Pension	Avon Pension Fund	-1,331.09		-1,331.09	559,187.60	04/09/2026
239	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Audit Fees	review of year	Audit Fees	BDO (Auditors)	-840.00	-168.00	-1,008.00	558,179.60	04/09/2026
233	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr Jodie Hollis	Training	NALC	-35.00	-7.00	-42.00	558,137.60	04/09/2026
235	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr Young	Training	ALCA	-14.00		-14.00	558,123.60	04/09/2026
237	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr Rogers	Training	ALCA	-14.00		-14.00	558,109.60	04/09/2026
238	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Training	Cllr John Gord	Training	ALCA	-14.00		-14.00	558,095.60	04/09/2026
242	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office expenses	Milage Plannin	Expenses	Amy Symonds	-5.06		-5.06	558,090.54	04/09/2026
226	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Hedge/Shrub cuttir	Hedge & shurb	Landscape Maintenance Moor Lane	CPS Grounds Ltd	-540.00	-108.00	-648.00	557,442.54	04/09/2026
250	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	Aug 26	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	557,412.54	04/09/2026

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225	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	August 2026	Grounds maintenance	CPS Grounds Ltd	-446.06	-89.21	-535.27	556,877.27	04/09/2026
227	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Grass cutting	Additional char	Grounds maintenance	CPS Grounds Ltd	-318.20	-63.64	-381.84	556,495.43	04/09/2026
245	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	Aug 26	Emptying dog bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-286.00		-286.00	556,209.43	04/09/2026
249	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	Aug 26 (Moor L	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-242.00		-242.00	555,967.43	04/09/2026
252	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Emptying of Dog bi	Aug 26 (Rodne	Emptying dog bins/litter bins	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-132.00		-132.00	555,835.43	04/09/2026
250	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Safety Inspections	Aug 26	Play area inspection	GB Sport & Leisure	-25.00	-5.00	-30.00	555,805.43	04/09/2026
247	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	General Maintenan	Tyre & repair ki	Expenses	Mr G Wells	-38.69		-38.69	555,766.74	04/09/2026
244	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Office/Village Clear	Aug 26	Office/Village cleaning	Mr Andrew Savage (C	-748.00		-748.00	555,018.74	04/09/2026
247	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Backwell Village Sh	Tyre & repair ki	Expenses	Mr G Wells	-25.00		-25.00	554,993.74	04/09/2026
248	03/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Payroll services	Aug 26	Payroll	Cobalt Accountants	-27.50	-5.50	-33.00	554,960.74	04/09/2026
255	06/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Staff NI	Aug 26 (mth 5)	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	-685.09		-685.09	554,275.65	07/09/2026
255	06/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	PAYE	Aug 26 (mth 5)	PAYE & NI	HMRC (HM Revenue	559.60		559.60	554,835.25	07/09/2026
259	08/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	General Maintenan	Chippings for a	Allotment maintenance	Tarmac Trading Ltd	-390.00	-78.00	-468.00	554,367.25	09/09/2026
258	08/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	NSC Local Plan	Flood Risk Adv	Planning Consultant	Chris Whitlow & Assoc	-4,000.00	-800.00	-4,800.00	549,567.25	09/09/2026
221	09/09/2026	Lloyds Bank Corpo	Stationery	BPC lanyards x	Lanyards	UK Printing.com	-225.50	-45.10	-270.60	549,296.65	09/09/2026
243	10/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Utilities	15 Jul to 25 Au	Gas DD	British Gas	-21.58	-1.07	-22.65	549,274.00	10/09/2026
260	11/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Notice Boards	Installment 2	Digital Noticeboard - Quote ref 25070412b	Digital Media Systems	-7,491.75	-1,498.35	-8,990.10	540,283.90	11/09/2026
264	15/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Street Lighting (Ro	01 Aug to 31 A	Street lighting	EDF	-169.68	-8.48	-178.16	540,105.74	16/09/2026
263	15/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Festive Lighting	01 Jul to 31 Au	Electricity Feeder Pillar	EDF	-25.78	-1.29	-27.07	540,078.67	16/09/2026
271	16/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	General Maintenan	Return of overp	Refund	Mr G Wells	10.00		10.00	540,088.67	16/09/2026
253	18/09/2026	Unity Bank T2 acc	Telephone/Broadba	18 Sept-17 Oct	Telephone DD	Virgin Media Business	-43.00	-8.60	-51.60	540,037.07	18/09/2026
					CLOSING BALANCE - 22/09/2026					**540,037.07**	
							112,114.92	**-4,410.37**	**107,704.55**		

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	RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS
Opening Balance			
Balance at Bank		432,332.52	
Cash in Hand			
Staff Salaries			26,372.24
Staff Pension			7,688.81
Staff NI			3,612.74
Postage			127.40
Telephone/Broadband			264.42
Travelling			
Photocopier			1,175.22
Stationery			521.17
Website			
Insurance			1,281.35
Audit Fees			1,105.00
Subscriptions			1,127.30
Training			374.00
Chairmans Allowance			30.00
Office Equipment			484.55
Office Equipment Maintenance			1,396.00
Office rent - out			4,500.00
Non domestic rates			
Advertising			
Grants	685.14		42,031.00
Office expenses			371.87
Freedom of Information			
Hall Hire			284.00
Utilities			440.16
Prof. Fees Neighbourhood Plan/NSC Loc			
Recruitment			
Crime & Disorder			
Councillors Expenses			283.78
Election Costs			
History of Backwell			
Equipment			249.25
Equipment Maintenance/Repair			1,348.40
Grass Cutting			
Hedge/Shrub cutting			540.00
Safety Inspections			245.00
General Maintenance			
Water Rates			171.96
Spar Green - Floral			
Spar Green Maintenance			

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	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS
Grass cutting		3,788.16
Hedge cutting		474.00
Village Planters & War Memorial		
Farleigh Green maintenance		
Street Lighting (Rodney Rd)		1,028.61
Emptying of Dog bins/litter bins		4,224.50
Community Floral Enhancement		
Festive Lighting		1,975.25
Rights of Way		
Notice Boards		14,983.50
Grit Bins		
New equipment		
Equipment Maintenance/Repairs		
Safety Inspections		245.00
General Maintenance		995.00
Bank Interest	1,493.27	
Office Rent - in		
VO Grant		
Allotment rents		
General Maintenance		2,373.01
PAYE		2,192.20
Precept NSC	269,266.86	
Neighbourhood Plan		
Community Resilience		
BPFC Contractor		
VAT Refund		
Planning (general)		650.00
Defibrillator		
CIL	45.00	16,125.00
Bank Charges		119.15
Sundry receipts		
History of N & B Railway		
Office/Village Cleaning		4,850.68
Climate Emergency		21.93
Backwell Village Show		25.00
Maintenance of Parish Hall Clock		
Nailsea & District Community Transport		5,000.00
Legal advice (general)		
Maintainence of Parish Hall equipment		
Office Maintainence (inc repairs to the bu		582.33
Literature		
Delivery charge		
Refund		

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	RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Events			462.29	
Verge Maintanance (B'Farleigh to Stanco				
Local Green Space (FFE)			2,514.00	
Payroll services			165.00	
Neighbourhood Plan				
Farleigh Fields West (Dark Lane)				
East Backwell				
NSC Local Plan			4,390.00	
Bristol Airport				
Backwell Active Travel				
BSIP (Bus Services Improvement Plan)				
Planning contributions				
Grove Farm			260.00	
Digital noticeboard			400.17	
Legal advice (planning)				
Youth Worker				
Planning Consultant			600.00	
Credit Card payments				
VAT	7,566.43		12,111.98	
		279,056.70		**176,582.38**
Closing Balances:				
Balances in Bank Account				534,806.84
Cash in Hand				
TOTAL		**711,389.22**		**711,389.22**

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24 August 2026

2026-27 NATIONAL SALARY AWARD

The National Joint Council for Local Government Services (NJC) has agreed the new pay scales for 2026-27 to be implemented from 1 April 2026. Employers are encouraged to implement this pay award as swiftly as possible.

Backpay for employees who have left employment since 1 April 2026. If requested by an ex-employee to do so, we recommend that employers should pay any monies due to that employee from 1 April 2026 to the employee's last day of employment.

The attached Annex lists the new pay scales for clerks and other employees employed under the terms of the model contract including SCPs 50 and above. These should be retrospectively applied from 1 April 2026.

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ANNEX 1

	1 April 2025	1 April 2026			Scale Ranges
SCP	£ per annum	* £ per hour	£ per annum	* £ per hour	Based on SCP
1	*Deleted w e f 1st April 2023*				Below LC Scale (for staff other than clerks)
2	£24,413	£12.65	Deleted w e f 1st April 2026		
3	£24,796	£12.85	£25,614	£13.28	
4	£25,185	£13.05	£26,016	£13.48	
5	£25,583	£13.26	£26,427	£13.70	
5	£25,583	£13.26	£26,427	£13.70	LC1 (5-6) (below substantive range)
6	£25,989	£13.47	£26,847	£13.92	
7	£26,403	£13.69	£27,274	£14.14	LC1 (7-12) (substantive benchmark range)
8	£26,824	£13.90	£27,709	£14.36	
9	£27,254	£14.13	£28,153	£14.59	
10	£27,694	£14.35	£28,608	£14.83	
11	£28,142	£14.59	£29,071	£15.07	
12	£28,598	£14.82	£29,542	£15.31	

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	1 April 2025	1 April 2026			Scale Ranges
SCP	£ per annum	* £ per hour	£ per annum	* £ per hour	Based on SCP
13	£29,064	£15.06	£30,023	£15.56	LC1 (13-17) (above substantive range)
14	£29,540	£15.31	£30,515	£15.82	
15	£30,024	£15.56	£31,015	£16.08	
16	£30,518	£15.82	£31,525	£16.34	
17	£31,022	£16.08	£32,046	£16.61	
18	£31,537	£16.35	£32,578	£16.89	LC2 (18-23) (below substantive range)
19	£32,061	£16.62	£33,119	£17.17	
20	£32,597	£16.90	£33,673	£17.45	
21	£33,143	£17.18	£34,237	£17.75	
22	£33,699	£17.47	£34,811	£18.04	
23	£34,434	£17.85	£35,570	£18.44	
24	£35,412	£18.35	£36,581	£18.96	LC2 (24-28) (substantive benchmark range)
25	£36,363	£18.85	£37,563	£19.47	
26	£37,280	£19.32	£38,510	£19.96	
27	£38,220	£19.81	£39,481	£20.46	
28	£39,152	£20.29	£40,444	£20.96	
29	£39,862	£20.66	£41,177	£21.34	LC2 (29-32) (above substantive benchmark range)
30	£40,777	£21.14	£42,123	£21.83	
31	£41,771	£21.65	£43,149	£22.37	
32	£42,839	£22.20	£44,253	£22.94	
33	£44,075	£22.85	£45,529	£23.60	LC3 (33-36) (below substantive range)
34	£45,091	£23.37	£46,579	£24.14	
35	£46,142	£23.92	£47,665	£24.71	
36	£47,181	£24.46	£48,738	£25.26	
37	£48,226	£25.00	£49,817	£25.82	LC3 (37-41) (substantive benchmark range)
38	£49,282	£25.54	£50,908	£26.39	
39	£50,269	£26.06	£51,928	£26.92	
40	£51,356	£26.62	£53,051	£27.50	
41	£52,413	£27.17	£54,143	£28.06	
42	£53,460	£27.71	£55,224	£28.62	LC3 (42-45) (above substantive benchmark range)
43	£54,495	£28.25	£56,293	£29.18	
44	£55,801	£28.92	£57,642	£29.88	

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	1 April 2025	1 April 2026			Scale Ranges
SCP	£ per annum	* £ per hour	£ per annum	* £ per hour	Based on SCP
45	£57,139	£29.62	£59,025	£30.59	
46	£58,523	£30.33	£60,454	£31.33	LC4 (46-49) (below substantive range)
47	£59,922	£31.06	£61,899	£32.08	
48	£61,198	£31.72	£63,218	£32.77	
49	£62,852	£32.58	£64,926	£33.65	
50	£64,373	£33.37	£66,497	£34.47	LC4 (50-54) (substantive benchmark range)
51	£65,925	£34.17	£68,101	£35.30	
52	£68,053	£35.27	£70,299	£36.44	
53	£70,176	£36.37	£72,492	£37.57	
54	£72,307	£37.48	£74,693	£38.72	
55	£74,454	£38.59	£76,911	£39.86	LC4 (55-62) (above substantive benchmark range)
56	£76,572	£39.69	£79,099	£41.00	
57	£78,718	£40.80	£81,316	£42.15	
58	£80,821	£41.89	£83,488	£43.27	
59	£82,815	£42.93	£85,548	£44.34	
60	£84,852	£43.98	£87,652	£45.43	
61	£86,939	£45.06	£89,808	£46.55	
62	£89,081	£46.17	£92,021	£47.70	

* Hourly Rates

As per the NJC agreement, hourly rates are calculated by dividing annual salary by 52.143 weeks and then by 37 hours. Please note that these hourly rates do not now differ from those published by NJC for Principal Authorities as the calculation bases are in agreement.

Please also note that NJC resolved to delete SCP 1 w.e.f. 1st April 2023

Please also note that NJC have resolved to delete SCP 2 w.e.f. 1st April 2026