

**PENDLE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
2018/19 GENERAL FUND REVENUE BUDGET – SAVINGS PROPOSAL**

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| <b>1. SERVICE</b>              | Environmental Services  |
| <b>2. IMPLEMENTATION DATE:</b> | 1/4/18  |
| <b>3. CORPORATE PRIORITY</b>   | Ensuring a clean, healthier, safer and cohesive Pendle<br><br>Maintaining a sustainable, resilient and efficient organisation |
| <b>4. TITLE OF PROPOSAL</b>    | Grounds Maintenance in Parks – Phased Reduction in DSO Costs  |

**5. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:**

To seek increased contributions from parish and town councils towards the cost of the current level of the grounds maintenance service in parks.

**6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (NET ADDITIONAL SAVINGS)**

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	2020/21 £
Revenue	90,000	90,000	90,000
Capital	0	0	0

**7. IMPACT ON SERVICE PROVISION, IMPLEMENTATION AND OTHER ISSUES**

In preparation for the 2017/18 Budget detailed work was undertaken on the make-up and incidence of the Grounds Maintenance DSO budget in Parks and Parks Games of c£360k.

Following discussions with local town and parish councils an arrangement was implemented under which local councils would, by agreement, contribute towards the Council's costs of maintaining the current level of service in the Parks. This saved the Council c£90k,

The proposal for 2018/19 is the continuation of this arrangement with local councils being asked to make an increased contribution of towards these costs of a further c£90,000 (c£180,000 in total).

This proposal runs alongside the possible transfer of parks to the town and parish councils starting from April 2018/19 in the cases of Barrowford Parish Council and Barnoldswick Town Council with most other councils agreeing in principle without a firm date at this stage.

The aim is to deliver ongoing savings to the Borough Council of £90k per annum.