

Report Title	Area Committee Budget 2026/27
Meeting	Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee
Meeting Date 13 May	8 July 2026
Report Author	Julie Mousdale
Directorate	Resources
Lead Executive Member(s)	Leader Portfolio
Wards Affected	Barrowford and Pendleside Fence and Higham
Public. Part Exempt, or Fully Exempt	Public
Appendices (if any)	Appendix 1: Budget Table (spend up to 25/06/26) Appendices 2 – 19: Funding Bids

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 The budget for 2026/27 is £17,850 plus £9,897 carried forward from the previous year. Therefore, the total funds made available for 2026/27 is £27,747. This has been committed as per the budget table shown in appendix 1.

1.2 New Bids

- 1.3 **Barley PC, £2,500** – Barley Village Toilet Block Improvement (appx.2)
Barrowford PC, £1,500 – Rose Garden and Herb Garden at Hill Top (appx.3)
Blacko PC, £1,000 – New Gates to Recreation Ground (appx.4)
Goldshaw Booth PC, £3,054 – Information Boards (appx.5)
Higham PC, £500 – Bus Shelter Notice Board (appx.6)
Higham PC, £750 – Village Wall Restoration (appx.7)
Higham PC, £1,500 – Phone Box Community Library Project (appx.8)
Higham PC, £600 – Memorial Garden Enhancement Project (appx.9)
Old Laund Booth PC, £700 – Village Entrance Project (appx.10)
Old Laund Booth PC, £500 – Community Notice Boards Project (appx.11)
Old Laund Booth PC, £2,000 - Defibrillator Installation Project (appx.12)
Old Laund Booth PC, £500 – Grass Cutting Equipment (appx.13)
Roughlee PC, £1,600 – Woodland Clearance and Renovation (appx.14)
Barrowford in Bloom, £300 – Shuttle Planter| (appx.15)
Higherford Residents Action Group, £1,500 – Globes Project (appx.16)
St Thomas Church, £4,000 – Restoration of Church Tower (appx.17)
Friends of Barrowford Library, £640 – Barrowford Library Bench (appx.18)
Friends of Victoria Park, £50 – PL Insurance for events (appx.19)
PBC, £3,081 – Premises Improvement Grants (as per Economic Growth's Report to BWPC on 13/05/26)

Total bids £26,275

Available £19,765

See Appendices 2 -18.

2. Recommendations

For the reasons set out in this report, BARROWFORD & WESTERN PARISHES COMMITTEE is recommended to:

- 2.1 Note the budget as committed. See appendix 1.
- 2.2 Note the financial implications stipulated in paragraph 6:4
- 2.3 To consider the bids detailed in 1.3.

3. Information: the Rationale & Evidence for the Recommendations

- 3.1 To enable the committee to allocate its budget effectively and in line with financial regulations.

4. Link to Council Plan Priorities: (Providing High Quality Services and Facilities, Proud and Connected Communities and Places, Good Growth and Housing and Healthy Communities)

- 4.1 Providing High Quality Services and Facilities - this report shows the current budget position which enables Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee to make informed decisions when allocating its money to schemes.

5. Implications (see Items 6 – 10)

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1 Awards can be made for schemes which are either revenue or capital in nature so there could be revenue consequences of capital schemes in terms of ongoing cost.
- 6.2 Schemes may incur additional charges for internal services, e.g. Engineers' costs in delivering the scheme.
- 6.3 Schemes should be completed and payment made by 31 March. Any slippage will need to be agreed by the Council in line with Financial Regulations.
- 6.4 The maximum carry-forward figure is £17,850 as it is capped at the equivalent of 1 year's budget. If the committee have more than £17,850 unspent at the end of the year it will need to use the following year's budget to make up the difference.

7. Legal and Governance Implications

- 7.1 There are legal implications relating to some schemes in terms of necessary permissions, agreements and possible long-term liabilities and responsibilities.

8. Climate and Biodiversity Implications

- 8.1 There are no climate and biodiversity implications from the recommendations.

9. Human Resources Implications

- 9.1 There are no human resources implications from the recommendations.

10. Equality and Diversity Implications

- 10.1 There are no equality and diversity implications from the recommendations.

11. Consultation

- 11.1 n/a

12. Alternative Options Considered

- 12.1 n/a

13. Statutory Officer Sign Off (please put an x in the relevant box below)

Section 151 Officer	X
Monitoring Officer	X

14. Background Documents

- 14.1 None

Contact Officers

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Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee – Budget Table 2026/27

Appendix 1

Sch. No.	Scheme Details	Lead Officer/ Service Area	c/f from previous year	Allocated 2026/27	Total Allocation	In-Year Spend	Remaining	Status of Scheme/Remarks
1	Barrowford Memorial Park River Wall	I Lord Barrowford PC	3,922	0	3,922	0	3,922	
2	Premises Improvement Grants	D McCarthy PBC	2,919	0	2,919	0	2,919	The spend may not be up to date. Economic Growth report fully on this.
3	Litter and Dog Waste Bins	J Lord (PBC)	741	0	741	0	741	The spend may not be up to date. Operational Services report fully on this.
4	Fence Village Hall	D Hall (Fence Village Hall Cttee)	1,750	-1,750	0	0	0	£1,750 deallocated on 10/06/26.
9	Bus shelter	P Rosthorn (Higham PC)	400	0	400	0	400	
10	Notice Board	P Rosthorn (Higham PC)	165	-165	0	0	0	Completed. £165 deallocated on 10/06/26
	Subtotals		9,897	-1,915	7,982	0	7,982	
	Uncommitted Funds		0	19,765	19,765	–	19,765	
	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 2026/27		9,897	17,850	27,747	0	27,747	

BID FOR CAPITAL FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES May 2026
PRO FORMA

1. Short project title: **Barley Village Toilet Block Improvement**

2. Bid submitted by: **Derek Heap (Chairman)**

3. On behalf of (please include contact details):

**Barley with Wheatley Booth Parish Council
C/O 2 Barley Green, Barley, Burnley, Lancashire BB12 9JU
Tel. 01282 692264**

4	(a) Does your organisation have a constitution: Council	Parish
	(b) Does it have a board a committee that oversees its work?	Yes
	(c) Does your organisation have its own bank account?	Yes
	(d) How many signatures are required to authorise a bank payment?	Two

5. Is your organisation VAT-registered? *
Yes

6. Amount requested:
£2,500.00

7. Total Amount of Project
£6,000.00

8. Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?
Yes

If so, please give details:

Barley Parish Council will be providing the additional £2.5k of project funding.

9. Brief details of project: **To upgrade the car park toilet block:**

- a. **New doors to Disabled toilet and Storeroom,**
- b. **New storage racking in Storeroom,**
- c. **Replacement of old Manhole Covers.**

THIS IS THE FINAL PHASE OF A £50k IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

10. Main outcomes to be achieved:
- **Improved experience for thousands of visitors using the facility,**
 - **Reduced maintenance costs by replacing old, dilapidated items,**
 - **Existing manhole covers are over 50 years old and need upgrading for safety.**

11. When will the project be implemented? **Start Sept'26** **Completion November 2026**

12. Who will undertake the project works? Approved Facilities Contractor

13 Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?

Yes

Inspection and maintenance will be funded by Barley Parish Council.

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA**

1. **Project title:** Rose Garden & Herb Garden at Hill Top
2. **Bid submitted by:** Mr. I A. Lord
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Barrowford Parish Council
4. a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Parish Council
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Councillors
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Three
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No but can reclaim VAT
6. **Amount requested:** £1,500.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £2,500+vat
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Barrowford Parish Council £1,000.00
9. **Brief details of project:** Reduce size of existing trees and shrubs to improve the habit and keep the pavement unobstructed, replanting of Roses, Shrubs and Herbs where necessary.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** To improve the visual amenity of the area and enable new growth to the existing shrubs and trees making future management and pruning easier whilst allowing light to the planted areas.
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: September 2026 to January 2027 outside the bird nesting season
Expected Completion Date: End of February 2027 at the latest.
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** The tree and shrub work will be carried out by an arboriculturist, with the planting being done by either Barrowford In Bloom or the Parish Handymen.
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
Future maintenance costs will be met by Barrowford Parish Council.

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA**

1. **Project title:** New Gates to Recreation Ground
2. **Bid submitted by:** Kelly Wood
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):**
Blacko Parish Council. Clerk@blackoparishcouncil.gov.uk 07713125677
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £ 1,000.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £2,500.00
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Yes Blacko Parish Council
9. **Brief details of project:**
The wooden gates are old and need replacing, we are looking to replace them with recycled plastic gates if possible instead of wood.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:**
Safety of the children on the recreation ground
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: 01.07.26
Expected Completion Date: 30.07.26
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** We are sourcing Estimates from local firms
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA**

1. **Project title:** Three new information boards in Goldshaw Booth Parish.
2. **Bid submitted by:** Jennifer Sutcliffe
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):**

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council

clerk@goldshawbooth.org.uk

Tel: 07977 913090

4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** No
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Parish Councillors
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £3,054
7. **Total amount of project:** £3,054
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details:
9. **Brief details of project:**

The hamlets of Newchurch-in-Pendle, Spenbrook and Sabden Fold in Goldshaw Booth attract a high volume of tourists each year, and currently there is only one information board sited in Newchurch, which is extremely worn and outdated (it has been there for nearly 20 years).

We believe that having a new information board in each hamlet, displaying local historical and environmental points of interest would positively impact the visitor experience. It would also increase residents' pride in and knowledge about their community.

We have secured the services of Pendle Forest History Group to help develop the content for the boards and as part of the project, delivered a well-attended event

for residents, where a local historian from the Group talked about our local history, heritage and culture in March 2026.

10. Main outcomes to be achieved:

The main two outcomes will be an improved visitor experience for those visiting the villages of Newchurch-in-Pendle, Sabden Fold and Spenbrook, including the vast numbers of tourists who come here every year, who will be able to better appreciate the rich heritage of the area. The second outcome will be a deeper understanding of residents about the history of where they live, resulting in increased pride in place. Residents' thirst for local knowledge was clearly demonstrated at the local history event we delivered, which was attended by approximately 50 local residents.

11. When will project be implemented?

Start Date: As soon as funding becomes available

Expected Completion Date: December 2026

12. Who will undertake the project works? Parish Councillors, Pendle Forest History Group and Ron McCombe Wildlife Photography

13. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?

None. Should any repairs be required these will be funded by the Parish Council.

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA**

1. **Project title:** Bus shelter/Notice Board
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Higham with West Close Booth Parish Council – clerk@highamparishcouncil.com – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** 2
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £500
7. **Total amount of project:** £500
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: No
9. **Brief details of project:** The wooden bus shelter in the centre of the village is in urgent need of either repair or replacement due to weather damage and rotting. The bus shelter also houses an internal wooden noticeboard which needs replacement felting due to weather damage.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** To provide safe, adequate shelter and waiting area for people using the village bus and to provide a dry, secure notice board to allow people to display their notices and posters.
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: August
Expected Completion Date: September 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Phil Hardman, Lengthsman

13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No
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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA 2026/27**

1. **Project title:** Village Wall Restoration
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Higham with West Close Booth Parish Council – clerk@highamparishcouncil.com – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £750
7. **Total amount of project:** £750
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: The Parish Council will fund any shortfall
9. **Brief details of project:** This project aims to repair, rebuild and secure sections of village walls that are currently in a state of disrepair. The works will ensure public safety while preserving the character and heritage of the village. The project will improve the look of the local environment, prevent further deterioration and ensure public safety
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** Several sections of village boundary walls have deteriorated due to age and weather exposure. In their current condition, they could potentially pose a safety risk so there is a clear need to carry out essential repair works
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: July 2026
Expected Completion Date: July 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** The Lengthsman
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA 2026/27**

1. **Project title:** Phone Box Community Library Project
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Higham with West Close Booth Parish Council – clerk@highamparishcouncil.com – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £1,500
7. **Total amount of project:** £1,500
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Parish Council
9. **Brief details of project:** This project aims to purchase and refurbish an old-fashioned red telephone box, transforming it into a free, accessible community library/book exchange for residents and visitors. The initiative will promote reading, encourage social interaction and foster community pride, while preserving an iconic heritage feature which will be located on a historic site within the village
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** The conversion of a red phone box into a community library will provide a valuable shared resource, offering free access to books for residents and visitors. The project will encourage reading, support the recycling and reuse of books and promote outdoor activity and community interaction. It will enhance the visual appeal of the village, while fostering a strong sense of pride, ownership and community spirit among residents
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: July 2026
Expected Completion Date: August 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Quotes will be obtained from a range of suppliers. Local contractors will be engaged to carry out the refurbishment and installation works
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Memorial Ground Enhancement Project
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Higham with West Close Booth Parish Council – clerk@highamparishcouncil.com – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £600
7. **Total amount of project:** £600
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: The Parish Council will fund any shortfall
9. **Brief details of project:** The memorial ground has become overgrown with brambles and unmanaged vegetation, making access difficult and creating potential safety hazards for visitors. The current condition detracts from the dignity and significance of the site. This project, therefore, aims to clear overgrown brambles, vegetation and debris from the village memorial ground to restore it as a safe, accessible and respectful space for visitors
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** The work will improve the site's appearance, enhance safety and ensure the memorial ground remains a well-maintained and valued area for reflection and remembrance.
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: October 2026
Expected Completion Date: October 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** The Lengthsman
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Village Entrance Enhancement Project
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Old Laund Booth Parish Council – clerk@oldlaundboothparishcouncil.co.uk – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £700.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £700.00
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: The Parish Council will provide match funding to cover any shortfall required to complete the project
9. **Brief details of project:** We are seeking funding to install planters and renovate three village signs at key entrances to the village, helping to create a more welcoming and attractive environment for residents and visitors. The planters will enhance the visual appeal of the area through seasonal planting, contributing to village pride and improving the overall streetscape
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** By improving key areas and renovating the village signs, the project will significantly enhance the visual appearance of village entrances, creating a more welcoming and attractive environment for both residents and visitors. It will also foster a stronger sense of community pride and provide appealing features for those walking and driving through the village
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: July 2026
Expected Completion Date: July/August 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Quotes will be sourced with a preference for utilising local tradespeople; helping to support local businesses and ensuring the project benefits the wider community

13. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Community Notice Boards Improvement Project
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Old Laund Booth Parish Council – clerk@oldlaundboothparishcouncil.co.uk – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £500.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £600.00 approx
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Parish Council
9. **Brief details of project:** We are seeking grant funding to replace two community notice boards within the village. The current notice boards have deteriorated due to age and exposure and are no longer fit for purpose, limiting their effectiveness as a communication tool for the community. These notice boards will be used to display parish meeting agendas and minutes, community updates, local event posters and public notices, helping to keep residents informed and engaged.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** By improving communication, the boards will support greater participation in village life, strengthen community connections, and ensure that key information is readily available to all, including those who may not have access to digital platforms.
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: July 2026
Expected Completion Date: July/August 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Quotes will be sourced with a preference for utilising local tradespeople; helping to support local businesses and ensuring the project benefits the wider community
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Community Defibrillator Installation Project
2. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Old Laund Booth Parish Council – clerk@oldlaundboothparishcouncil.co.uk – 07931 687175
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £2,000.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £3,000.00 approx
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Parish Council
9. **Brief details of project:** We are seeking funding to install two publicly accessible defibrillators at either end of the village ensuring that vital emergency equipment is available within a short distance to all residents. Each unit will be housed in a secure, weatherproof cabinet with clear signage to ensure it can be easily located and accessed. Ongoing maintenance arrangements will be put in place to ensure the equipment remains in good working order and hopefully an opportunity for basic awareness training will be promoted within the community to increase confidence in using the devices
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** These devices will provide potentially life-saving support in the event of a cardiac arrest while awaiting emergency services. By increasing the availability of this essential equipment, the project will enhance community safety, provide reassurance to residents and contribute to potentially saving lives
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: July 2026
Expected Completion Date: August/September 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Quotations will be sourced from established providers, such as the British Heart Foundation or Northwest

Ambulance Service, to ensure quality and compliance with appropriate standards with installation carried out by suitably qualified local tradespeople to support the local economy

- 13. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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14. **Project title:** Grass cutting equipment
15. **Bid submitted by:** Patricia Rosthorn
16. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Old Laund Booth Parish Council – clerk@oldlaundboothparishcouncil.co.uk – 07931 687175
17.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
18. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
19. **Amount requested:** £500.00
20. **Total amount of project:** £500.00
21. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Parish Council
22. **Brief details of project:** The Parish Council is seeking grant funding to purchase grass-cutting equipment to maintain the public green spaces within the parish. This equipment will support the ongoing upkeep of grass verges, the recreational areas and community spaces, ensuring they remain safe, accessible and visually appealing for residents and visitors
23. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** Regular and effective grass cutting will improve the overall appearance of the parish, creating a cleaner, greener and more welcoming environment for our residents and visitors. Keeping the grass and verges trimmed will also improve safety by reducing hazards such as obstructed visibility on roads and pathways. Investing in equipment will reduce reliance on external contractors and will hopefully deliver long-term cost savings for the council
24. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: August 2026
Expected Completion Date: August 2026
25. **Who will undertake the project works?** Quotes will be obtained to ensure value for money
26. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET

PRO FORMA

1. Project title: **Woodland Clearance and Renovation**
2. Bid submitted by: **Jonathan Bailey**
3. On behalf of (please include contact details):
Roughlee Parish Council
Jon Bailey jon@jonbailey.org.uk
01282 615099
4. a) Does your organisation have a constitution? **Yes**
b) Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work? **Yes**
c) Does your organisation have its own bank account? **Yes**
d) How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account? **Minimum two**
5. Is your organisation VAT-registered?* **No but we claim VAT as an unregistered body**
6. Amount requested: **£1,600**
7. Total amount of project: £ 3,800 as attached Estimate
8. Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere? **Yes**
If so, please give details:
From Roughlee Parish Council's funds.
9. Brief details of project:
The clearance of dead ash trees and replacement with disease resistant specimens.

**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
PRO FORMA**

1. **Project title:** Shuttle Planter
2. **Bid submitted by:** Barrowford in Bloom and Environmental Group
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):**
Pam Wilkinson Tel: 07400446662 Chair of the Group
4. a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
- b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
- c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
- d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** 2
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £300.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £1600.00
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Yes:
Pride in Place Funding: £854.00
Barrowford PC Match Funding £146.00
Barrowford PC Grant Application £300.00
9. **Brief details of project:** To install a shuttle shaped planter at the junction of Gisburn Road and Church Street. To mark Barrowford's long association with weaving and shuttle making past.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** To improve a drab space and adding interest to the street scape for both residents and visitors.
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: July/Aug 2026
Expected Completion Date: February 2027
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** An outside contractor, overseen by Barrowford PC through the Pride in Place Fund.
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
Future planting and maintenance will be done by the In Bloom Group

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Higherford Globes Project
2. **Bid submitted by:** Susan Eames, 4-6 Calder View, Higherford, BB9 6AQ.

higherfordglobes@hotmail.com
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):**
Higherford Residents Action Group – higherford@hotmail.co.uk
4. a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** YES

b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** YES
c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** YES
d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** 2 of 3
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** NO
6. **Amount requested:** £1500
7. **Total amount of project:** £2150 (storage, installation, batteries)
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: Yes. We will request donations from the public and businesses, use the small profit from the Globe sales or the Higherford 100 club.
9. **Brief details of project:** The idea for the Higherford Globes project originated from the group's desire to brighten up such a prominent location at Christmas time. Starting with a trial in 2014 featuring just 10 globes on one tree, the project has since grown to around 90 globes in the trees at Dicky Nook in Higherford. People from far and wide now travel to see them. It's a magical sight for all passers-by!
Community involvement has been integral to our project. In the initial stages, we organised workshops for locals to learn how to create their own globes and invited local schools to make globes in their respective school colours. Our team of volunteers, from the local community, retrieve the globes from storage each November. They ensure they are in working order by replacing batteries before taking them to Dicky Nook for installation. Come January, they repeat the process in reverse, showcasing their commitment to our community project.
Running such a project comes with its costs. Each year, we replace any malfunctioning globes and replace batteries, incurring expenses of approximately £250 to £300. The cost of storage space for the globes has notably increased to just under £900, while installation is approximately £1000. In previous years we had firms offering to undertake the installation for free, but with the changing financial climate and the length of time involved in undertaking the installation we can no longer secure free installation.

Here are some comments from our social media page –

- *“Driving past I had a tear in my eye when I saw them.... They're beautiful, thank you to the kind people for doing this again.”*
- *“It looks amazing... as we drove past my 2 year old said “it’s magic”!*
- *“they looked fabulous this evening. the Higherford Illuminations”*
- *“They look beautiful. Really make me smile when I drive home in an evening”*
- *“Love driving up to our house and looking at these every night 😊 Hats off to all involved in making this happen!”*
- *“A joy to see at Xmas . So special. Thanks to the volunteers”*
- *“Quite spectacular... I will enjoy seeing them daily”*
- *“Wow it looks stunning”*

9. Main outcomes to be achieved: To sustain community spirit and ensure the ongoing success of the project, allowing all travellers passing through Higherford to see the magic of the Higherford Globes!

10. When will project be implemented?

Start Date: Beginning of December 2026

Expected Completion Date: Beginning of January 2027

11. Who will undertake the project works?

Jake Sanderson will do the installation of the globes, which requires specialist equipment so cannot be undertaken by volunteers

12. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?
NO

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Restoration of Church Tower
2. **Bid submitted by:** Roy Fewster
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** St Thomas Church
Barrowford, Wheatley Lane Road Barrowford. 07484274554
roy.fewster1@btinternet.com
4.
 - a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
 - b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 - c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 - d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £4000
7. **Total amount of project:** £8950
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?** Yes
If so, please give details: Donations from Parishioners
9. **Brief details of project:** Repairs and restoration to the Church tower at St Thomas Church including re-rendering and repairs to brickwork for the full height of the tower.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** To prevent further decay to the structure of the tower and improve the visual appearance.
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: Fourth quarter 2026
Expected Completion Date: November 2026
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Barrowford Plastering
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Barrowford Library Have a Chat Bench
2. **Bid submitted by:** Andy Pritchard and Terry McGinn (Chair)
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):**

Friends of Barrowford Library
4. a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes

 b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
 c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
 d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?*** No
6. **Amount requested:** £640
Costs including VAT
Bench- £735.36
Anchor kit for hard ground- £51.00
Delivery- £11.40
TOTAL £ 797.76
7. **Total amount of project:** Lancashire County Council will be funding and laying paving slabs and footings to accommodate the bench. Lancashire County Council will be undertaking the installation of the bench onto this surface- costs not known.
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: No
9. **Brief details of project:**
The Friends of Barrowford Library would like to install a bench outside Barrowford library for use by the local community. The bench will be intentionally bright and colourful to promote it as a welcoming and friendly space. The bench will be promoted as being a 'have a chat' bench, where residents can sit and be open to having conversations and meeting neighbours. The aim is to enable the community to have a comfortable and welcoming place to sit with an aim of reducing social isolation and loneliness. The bench will be installed on the busy pathway outside of Barrowford Library and is anticipated to be a well-used place to sit, rest, chat and read. There are currently no other external seating options

in the immediate area surrounding the library and so it would be a beneficial resting place for many.

Main outcomes to be achieved:

Provide a comfortable resting place for library visitors and residents, including elderly residents, residents with mobility issues and families with young children.
To enable library visitors to spend longer outside, to relax, chat and read.
To encourage positive mental wellbeing.
To reduce social isolation and loneliness.
To encourage community interaction.

10. When will project be implemented?

Start Date: Autumn 2026

Expected Completion Date: Autumn 2026

11. Who will undertake the project works?

Lancashire County Council to install paving slabs and footings under bench and to install the bench.

Bench and anchor kit purchased from Tudor Environmental.

[The Baginton Recycled Plastic Garden Bench, Coloured Anchor Kit for Hard Ground | Tudor Environmental](#)

12. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?

Specific bench chosen due to it being heavy duty, totally weatherproof with minimal maintenance requirements. Friends of Barrowford Library will maintain where necessary.

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**BID FOR FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEE BUDGET
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1. **Project title:** Public Liability Insurance for events in Victoria Park
2. **Bid submitted by:** Robert Oliver
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Friends of Victoria Park,
Pendle; 6 Langholme Close, Barrowford, Nelson, Lancs, BB9 6DH
4. a) **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
- b) **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** Yes
- c) **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
- d) **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** Two
5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?***
6. **Amount requested:** £50.00
7. **Total amount of project:** £100.00
8. **Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere?**
If so, please give details: A parallel bid for £50 is also being made to Nelson, Brierfield & Reedley Area Committee
9. **Brief details of project:** The Friends of Victoria Park are continuing with small events again this year to encourage use of the Park. These require annual payment for Public Liability Insurance which stopped being covered for us by Pendle Council some years ago.
10. **Main outcomes to be achieved:** Proper insurance for Park events
11. **When will project be implemented?**
Start Date: 9 June 2026
Expected Completion Date: 8 June 2027
12. **Who will undertake the project works?** Friends of Victoria Park
13. **Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**
No

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