Report Title	Area Committee Budget 2026/27
Meeting	Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee
Meeting Date	2 December 2026
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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 07/11/26)

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.

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

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. Where there are ongoing revenue consequences of capital schemes, in terms of ongoing cost, the Committee must be satisfied that the applicant has the ability to fund these.

6.2 Schemes may incur additional charges for internal services, e.g. Engineers' costs in delivering the scheme, these must be factored into the scheme costs.

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 may be 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

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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	3,922	0	Completed
2	05/08/26 - £3,081 **Premises Improvement Grants**	M Williams (PBC)	2,919	3,081	6,000	0	6,000	The spend may not be up to date. Economic Growth report fully on this.
3	**Litter and Dog Waste Bins**	R Reynolds (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	0	1,750	1,750	0	Completed.
9	**Bus shelter**	P Rosthorn (Higham PC)	400	0	400	400	0	Completed
10	**Notice Board**	P Rosthorn (Higham PC)	165	-165	0	0	0	Completed. £165 deallocated on 10/06/26
16	05/08/26 - £2,500 **Toilet Block Improvement**	D Heap (Barley PC)	0	2,500	2,500	0	2,500	
17	05/08/26 - £1,500 **Rose Garden and Herb Garden at Hill Top**	I Lord (Barrowford PC)	0	1,500	1,500	0	1,500	
18	05/08/26 - £1,000 **New Gates to Recreation Ground**	K Wood (Blacko PC)	0	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	
19	05/08/26 - £1,894 **Information Boards**	J Sutcliffe (Goldshaw Booth PC)	0	1,894	1,894	0	1,894	

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20	05/08/26 - £500 **Bus Shelter Notice Board**	P Rosthorn (Higham PC)	0	500	500	500	0	Completed
21	05/08/26 - £750 **Village Wall Restoration**	P Rosthorn (Higham PC)	0	750	750	750	0	Completed
22	05/08/26 - £700 **Village Entrance Project**	P Rosthorn (Old Laund Booth PC)	0	700	700	0	700	
23	05/08/26 - £500 **Community Notice Boards Project**	P Rosthorn (Old Laund Booth PC)	0	500	500	0	500	
24	05/08/26 - £1,000 **Defibrillator Installation Project**	P Rosthorn (Old Laund Booth PC)	0	1,000	1,000	0	1,000	
25	05/08/26 - £500 **Grass Cutting Equipment**	P Rosthorn (Old Laund Booth PC)	0	500	500	0	500	
26	05/08/26 - £1,600 **Woodland Clearance and Renovation**	J Bailey (Roughlee PC)	0	1,600	1,600	0	1,600	
27	05/08/26 - £300 **Shuttle Planter**	P Wilkinson (Barrowford In Bloom)	0	300	300	300	0	Completed
28	05/08/26 - £1,500 **Globes Project**	S Earnes (H'ford Res. Action Group)	0	1,500	1,500	0	1,500	
29	05/08/26 - £640 **Barrowford Library Bench**	A Pritchard (FOBL)	0	640	640	640	0	Completed
30	05/08/26 - £50 **PL Insurance for Events**	R Oliver (FOVP)	0	50	50	0	50	

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	Subtotals		**9,897**	**17,850**	**27,747**	**8,262**	**19,485**	
	Uncommitted Funds		**0**	**0**	**0**	**–**	**0**	
	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE 2026/27		**9,897**	**17,850**	**27,747**	**8,262**	**19,485**	