

Cyngor Tref Llanandras a Norton
PRESTEIGNE AND NORTON TOWN COUNCIL

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26th October, 2026

Dear Councillor

There will be a meeting of Presteigne and Norton Town Council Sites and Buildings Committee on **MONDAY 2nd November 2026 at 7.00 p.m.** in the Day Centre, Scottleton Street, Presteigne and via video conferencing and you are hereby summoned to attend.

Join Zoom Meeting

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Yours sincerely

Tracey Price
TOWN CLERK

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are requested to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in matters to be considered at this meeting in accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct Order) (Wales) Order 2008 and the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016.

3. **ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN 2026-27**
4. **ALLOTMENTS**

- a) To take a short report by the PNAA Representative on the last year. To include Association AGM report.
- b) To consider any PNAA Raised Matters from the above report.
- c) To consider condition of plots.
- d) Review of Work/Maintenance Plan for 2027-28. To include consideration of strimming works most recently undertaken by the Community Payback team
- e) Expenditure 2026-27 to date.

5. NATURE RESERVE

- a) To receive a general update from Ms. Van Den Ende.
- b) To consider a draft budget for works/training needed during 2027-28.

6. WENT'S AND EDDIE'S MEADOWS, MUGA/FOOTBALL PITCH

- a) Grass Cutting/Weed Killing:
 - To consider quotes for grass cutting in 2027-28 and 2028-29.
 - To consider quote for various strimming works and for additional strimming due to withdrawal of community payback team on outdoor gym, scout hut car park.
- b) Review of Items from May meeting:-
- c) Maintenance Plan for 2027-28. To include –
 - Mowing of back/car park field 2027.
 - Re-confirm movement of the mowing line in Lower Went's meadow to closer to the hedge.
 - Plan for mowing on Eddie's meadow.
 - Blocked public footpath – suggestions to clear/restore mowing.
 - Work day 2027: To agree a further work day and agree a date (please bring your diaries).
 - Hedge Cutting/Rough Ground – to note works requested by Mr. Graham and agree these be part of the 2026 cut.
- d) Rospa Inspection Report: To note inspection will be carried out during November.
- f) Community Barns: To consider any maintenance works required.
- g) Report on Community Payback Team.
- h) Pump Track: Update.
- i) Electrical Certificates for buildings. (Cllr. Kirkby).
- j) Ongoing Management of Eddie's Meadow (Cllrs. Ross and Ramsay).
- k) Budget Consideration for 2027-28 To consider budget needs for the coming financial year.

7. TOILET BLOCKS

- a) Report on year to date.
- b) Review of cleaning Arrangements and consideration of quotes for cleaning.
- c) To consider any further maintenance work needed.
- d) Gender Policy and recent guidance (see email in meeting papers)
- d) Budget Consideration for 2027-28. To consider budget needs for the coming financial year and prepare a draft budget.

8. URGENT BUSINESS INFORMATION (at discretion of Chair)

- Enc. Meadow, Allotment and Nature Reserve Spending Information.
 Toilets Spending Information.
 Rospa Inspection Report (by email only)
 May 2026 Minutes (as Information/Reminder)

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ANY QUOTE DETAILS ARE CONFIDENTIAL.

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MINUTES OF THE SITES AND BUILDINGS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 11TH MAY 2026 AT THE EAST RADNORSHIRE DAY CENTRE, SCOTTLETON STREET, PRESTEIGNE AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCING

Present: Cllrs. Edwards (Mayor), Preece (Committee Chairman), Price (Committee Vice-Chairman), J. Ramsay, Kirkby.

Outside Representatives: Mr. R. Rimington, Ms M. Galliers, Ms. L. Joyce, Ms K. Van Den Ende.

Apologies: Mr. G. Graham.

Absent: Cllr. Baynham.

In Attendance: Mrs T. Price, Town Clerk.

Declarations of Interest: Members were requested to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests they may have in matters to be considered at the meeting in accordance with the terms of the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct Order) (Wales) Order 2008 and the Local Authorities (Model Code of Conduct) (Wales) (Amendment) Order 2016.

Personal: None.

Personal and Prejudicial: None

MIN SB13/25 ALLOTMENTS

(1) Report by PNAA Representatives: Mrs Galliers and Ms Joyce gave a verbal report on the year so far and on the recent meetings of the Association. This was as follows-

- Annual Meeting attended by sixteen members and Cllr. Edwards representing the Town Council.
- Seven member Committee formed.
- Revised Association Handbook discussed.
- No events planned at present.
- Pump to Northern end of site – pipe too short. Clerk to arrange to be altered.
- Rabbits continuing to be a problem. Believed to be accessing via the closed bridge.
- Dislike the plastic barrier believing it to be unsightly.
- Request for name sign on main gate.
- Thanks to Payback team re. path strimming. Clerk confirmed that visibility splay was part of the list for strimming when on site.
- Request for Gazebo on Carnival Day: Clerk confirmed this would need to be done via the Carnival Committee which booked all the gazebos out as a block for the day.
- Playgroup now started planting. Some concerns voiced by Mrs Galliers. Cllr. Edwards stated that it was good to encourage young gardeners for the future.
- Still concerns over some plots not being tended sufficiently.
- Vacant Plots: Clerk hoped that all would be let shortly.

Mrs Galliers and Ms Joyce left the meeting at this point.

MIN SB14/25 NATURE RESERVE

(1) Update: Ms. Van Den Ende reported on matters generally including –

- Young trees flourishing.
- Wildflowers increasing and general biodiversity improving.
- Bioblitz Day on 7th June.
- Monitoring ongoing and now also included monthly fixed point photography.
- Bat etc monitoring now happening and a number of species identified.
- New hedge planted by residents at the rear of their property.
- 300 reed plants and seed obtained from County Council Local Places for Nature Fund.

- One Voice Wales Grants for trees, plants seed, dipping kits etc.
- Entrance now fully accessible.
- Mower maintenance – agreed to top up oil and lubricate moving parts. Costs to be submitted to Clerk for approval.
- More bentonite for bottom pond to be spread in due course.
- Tree work postponed to late Summer/Autumn. Cllr. Ramsay to supply a plan of access for equipment but if possible someone to attend on the day to see equipment onto site. In the meantime Cllr. Ramsay would arrange for the area to be roped off.
- Container Quotes: Clerk had obtained an updated quote from the previous contractor. Others no longer valid as obtained in 2025. Mr. Rimington to update. Clerk would need copies of actual quotes in due course.

MIN SB15/25 WENT'S AND EDDIE'S MEADOWS, MUGA, FOOTBALL PITCH

(1) Report on Work Day: Cllr. Preece reported on the work day and Members noted the written report by Mr. Graham. It was noted that numbers were low but a huge amount of work had been done on the day. Thanks were noted in particular to Mr. Graham, Mr. Shepherd. O. and R. Rimington. The Clerk would thank them formally. It was noted that there was some tree growth towards the electricity wires and it was agreed that the Clerk ask Western Power to look at cutting these back. The redundant gate post at the skateboard park had not been removed but Mr. Graham would try to do this in the coming weeks. Mr. Rimington agreed to sort the loose slates on the small hut. The second sign for the Brilliant Basics Grant would be put in place shortly.

(2) Report on concluded Brilliant Basics Grant Project (paths): Cllr. Preece reported that this had been completed and the contractor paid. Thanks noted to the contractors and to Mr. Graham for their hard work on the project and to Cllrs. Preece and Price for overseeing the project.

(3) Proposed Pump Track Project Update: Cllr. Kirkby reported that sourcing potential grant funding was proving tricky despite exploring a number of possibilities. However a People and Places application was probably possible and he was currently in discussions with the relevant officer at the Lottery on whether an application could be made. There was a need for a community consultation and this was underway. Supporting evidence was also being obtained from the Town of Culture Feedback Survey where a pump track was mentioned by a number of responders. He had spoken to the planning department and no planning permission was required and the work could be done under permitted development rights but he felt that a Lawful Development Certificate should be applied for so there would be formal confirmation.

(4) Arrangements for next Hedge Management Review: Cllr. Ramsay felt that the policy needed full review rather than updating the current policy. Cllr. Price felt that a meeting on site would be best and it was agreed that he and Cllr. Ramsay would meet on site to review and report to Council. Cllr. Price also stressed that if hedges were left for three years then the subsequent cut would appear more brutal than more regular cutting. He added that the work had been done a little earlier in 2025 in order to minimise damage to the ground. The Clerk stressed the need for any changes to be agreed by Council at the June or July meetings so there was time to brief the contractor on the work schedule for 2026.

(5) Update on Full Council decisions following last Committee Meeting:

- Mowing of Back Field: Previous volunteer had confirmed they were willing to continue to do this.
- Paths on Eddie's Meadow: Community Payback Team asked to do these. Clerk would chase.
- Repairs to Stone Bridge done.
- Tree stakes in orchard mostly removed.
- Tree work pending due to the very wet ground conditions.
- Toilet Budget: Had been adjusted by Full Council to use £2000 more from the toilet reserve held.
- No free tree offers had been found for giving away to individuals. Mr. Rimington reported that the Wildlife Trust sometimes had trees spare after planting but this was of course not suitable for a formal tree giveaway by the Council.
- Trees planted in Cemetery.

MIN SB16/25 TOILET BLOCKS

The Clerk reported the following –

- Disabled Cubicle alarm to be fitted in the next few days.
- Painting of Hereford Street Block still not commenced.

MIN SB17/25 URGENT INFORMATION.

(1) Long Term Management of Eddie's Meadow: Mr. Rimington suggested planting the site with trees and although this was not taken forward it was agreed that the Town Council consider having a Working Group discuss future management.

(2) Review of Items in Storage Container: Cllrs. Preece, Edwards and the Clerk would be reviewing/tidying the container in June.

Summary of Full Council Decisions Required –

Allotments: *The following items were recommended –*

Agree to check and if needed alter pump hose (Northern pump)

Agree to check gate on small bridge is fixed shut and remove plastic barrier.

To consider purchase of sign for main allotment gate.

Nature Reserve: *The following items were recommended –*

Quotes for Storage Container to be updated.

Meadows: *The following items were recommended -*

Redundant gatepost Skateboard Park: To accept the offer of Mr. Graham to remove and fill in hole.

Loose Slates, Little Hut: To accept the offer of Mr. R. Rimington to secure these.

Pump track: to note the update provided and agree that an application for a lawful development order be made in due course.

Hedge Management Review: To agree Cllrs. Price and J. Ramsay to meet on site to discuss the review and report back to Council at the June or July meetings.

To write letters of thanks as listed above.

Eddie's Meadow: To consider a review of the management of the site and if needed a Working Group be created to discuss.

Toilets: *None.*

General: *None.*

The meeting closed at 8.17 pm.

ALLOTMENT HOURS SPEND 2026-27			
Rental Income at start of rental year			990
One plot free (playgroup, two vacant at start of year)			
Two plots let June			60
Total rent for year			1050
Spent this year to date		works	582.25
		admin	374.01
			956.26
		Balance for year	93.74
Nine hours admin work owed			
Normally 15-20 hours worked for renewal period etc			
Say 24 hours £713.52			
Current reserve is £963.50			
plus one deposit recently retained £28			
Work will be needed to plot 18 before it can be re-let			
Strimming of plot 5 still to be invoiced.			

PRESTEIGNE AND NORTON TOWN COUNCIL PAYMENTS YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2027
MEADOW ACCOUNT

Approval Date	Minute	Payment Number	Name	Wkly Insp.	Maintenance	Dog Bags	Grass Cutting/ Weed Killing	Professional Inspections	Utilities	Nature Reserve	Allocments	Pump Track	Bank Charges	Misc.	VAT	Total
20.04.26	4605	Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd												0.81	16.99
20.04.26	4605	IB M1	Highground Maintenance Ltd				391.63								78.33	466.96
20.04.26	4605	Bank Deduction	HSBC										2.00			2.00
20.04.26	4605	IB M2	N. Close	72.00	16.00										4.41	88.00
20.04.26	4605	IB M3	Presteigne Building Supplies								22.03				3.37	26.44
18.05.26	4623	IB M4	Artisan Print		16.85										11.73	20.22
18.05.26	4623	Debit Card	Pump International								58.66				273.12	70.39
18.05.26	4623	IB M5	RB Landscaping		152.60						75.00				45.52	273.12
18.05.26	4623	IB M6	Presteigne Building Supplies		117.30										23.46	140.76
18.05.26	4623	IB M7	Pipe Dream Fittings (refund G. Graham)		67.68										13.54	81.22
18.05.26	4623	Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd						15.77						0.79	16.56
18.05.26	4623	IB M8	N. Close	52.00	16.00						24.00				82.63	92.00
18.05.26	4623	IB M9	Highground Maintenance Ltd				413.15				300.00					495.78
18.05.26	4623	IB M10	Alan Preece												14.27	300.00
15.06.26	4633	Debit Card	Ropes Direct							71.35					220.20	85.62
15.06.26	4633	IB M11	JRB Enterprises Ltd			1101										1321.20
15.06.26	4633	IB M12	Post Office Counters Ltd (postage LDC)		44.22							5.60			10.15	5.60
15.06.26	4633	IB M13	Presteigne Building Supplies		150.00						6.56				30.00	180.00
15.06.26	4633	IB M14	Purfect Cat Hire						17.13						0.86	17.99
15.06.26	4633	Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd								32.00					120.00
15.06.26	4633	IB M15	N. Close	56.00	32.00										11.00	66.00
15.06.26	4633	IB M16	Mole Valley Farmers (refund Rimington)				413.15			55.00					82.63	495.78
15.06.26	4633	IB M17	Highground Maintenance Ltd												70.00	420.00
15.06.26	4633	IB M18	RB Landscaping		350.00							5.30			60.00	360.00
15.06.26	4633	IB M19	C. Kirkby													74.00
20.07.26		IB M20	JUV Ltd		300.00											
20.07.26		Debit Card	Powys County Council									74.00				
20.07.26		IB M21	Highground Maintenance Ltd				413.15								82.63	495.78
20.07.26		Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd						28.81						1.44	30.25
20.07.26		IB M22	Presteigne Building Supplies							77.68					15.54	93.22
20.07.26		IB M23	N. Close	56.00	20.00						64.00					140.00
17.08.26		Direct Debit	Welsh Water						24.20						9.12	24.20
17.08.26		IB M24	Presteigne Building Supplies							45.60					2.66	54.72
17.08.26		Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd						53.20						82.63	55.86
17.08.26		IB M25	Highground Maintenance Ltd				413.15									495.78
17.08.26		IB M26	N. Close	56.00	16.00											72.00
17.08.26		IB M27	Purfect Cat Hire								200.00				40.00	240.00
17.08.26		IB M28	C. Kirkby									5.30				5.30
21.09.26		IB M29	Highground Maintenance Ltd				413.15								82.63	495.78
21.09.26		IB M30	Presteigne Building Supplies							101.95					20.39	122.34
21.09.26		Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd						16.29						0.81	17.10
21.09.26		IB M31	N. Close	64.00	40.00											104.00
19.10.26		IB M32	Highground Maintenance Ltd				413.15								82.63	495.78
19.10.26		IB M33	Presteigne Building Supplies							41.65					8.33	49.98

PRESTIGEINE AND NORTON TOWN COUNCIL PAYMENTS YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2027
MEADOW ACCOUNT

Approval Date	Minute	Payment Number	Name	Wkly Insp.	Maintenance	Dog Bags	Grass Cutting/ Weed Killing	Professional Inspections	Utilities	Nature Reserve	Allocments	Pump Track	Bank Charges	Misc.	VAT	Total
19.10.26		IB M34	Signworx (reservoir signs)											225.00	45.00	270.00
19.10.26		Direct Debit	EDF Energy Ltd						15.55						0.78	16.33
19.10.26		IB M35	N. Close	64.00	16.00											80.00
				420.00	1354.65	1101.00	2870.53	0.00	187.13	593.23	582.25	90.20	2.00	225.00	1238.29	8664.28

PAYMENTS TO END OCTOBER		PUBLIC CONVENIENCES	
Approved Date	Payment No.	Name	Amount
20.04.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	15.88
20.04.26	IB19	Amazon Uk (refund T. Price)	95.74
20.04.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	66.95
20.04.26	IB20	T. Lloyd-John	498.49
20.04.26	IB21	Lyreco	68.00
20.04.26	IB22	N. Close	96.00
18.05.26	IB33	T. Lloyd-John	735.23
18.05.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	14.87
18.05.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	44.50
18.05.26	IB35	N. Close	12.00
15.06.26	IB36	PHS Group	4.50
15.06.26	IB37	PHS Group	2.77
15.06.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	16.87
15.06.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	34.69
15.06.26	IB38	N. Close	12.00
15.06.26	IB39	T. Lloyd-John	765.23
20.07.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	16.19
20.07.26	IB47	T. Lloyd-John	735.23
20.07.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	46.04
20.07.26	IB50	N. Close	28.00
17.08.26	Direct Debit	Welsh Water	35.66
17.08.26	Direct Debit	Welsh Water	358.51
17.08.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	18.14
17.08.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	35.49
17.08.26	IB55	Lyreco	70.00
17.08.26	IB56	N. Close	16.00
17.08.26	IB57	T. Lloyd-John	755.23
17.08.26	IB58	M. Devereaux	120.00
21.09.26	IB62	T. Lloyd-John	765.23
21.09.26	IB63	Beaumont Elec Services	350.00
21.09.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	17.45
21.09.26	IB64	Presteigne Building Supplies	5.64
21.09.26	Debit Card	Wallgate Ltd	273.00
21.09.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	35.94
21.09.26	IB69	N. Close	44.00
21.09.26	IB70	PHS Group	180.78
19.10.26	Direct Debit	British Gas Lite	16.73
19.10.26	IB80	PHS Group	15.70
19.10.26	Direct Debit	EDF Energy	31.68
19.10.26	IB81	Mrs T. Lloyd-John	735.23
19.10.26	IB82	N. Close	28.00
			7217.59

Additional Toilet Spend to Year End (Estimate)	
2026-27	
Cleaning Costs	2500
Utilities	400
Maintenance	300
Supplies	400
	3600
plus	
Spent to date	7218
Est. Total for Year	10818
Est Spend for 2027-28	12,000

Sites and Buildings Committee			Quotes 2026 Summary		
Toilet Cleaning					
Clearview Cleaning Co			not able to quote		
Healthmatic			did not reply		
T. Lloyd-John (current contractor)					
		Currently £15 per hour			
		Quote for 2027	£15.00 per hour		
		Quote for 2028	£15.50 per hour		
		Quote for 2029	£16.00 per hour		
		cleaning material costs unchanged			
	Hereford Street				
		1 hour per day exc Christmas Day			
	Year 1	364 x 15	5460		
		cleaning materials 12 x 18.49	221.88		
			5681.88		
	Year 2	364 x 15.50	5642.00		
		cleaning materials 12 x 18.49	221.88		
			5863.88		
	Year 3	364 x 16.00	5824.00		
		cleaning materials 12 x 18.49	221.88		
			6045.88		
	Wilson Terrace (seasonal opening)				
		4 hours per week April-October			
		Approx 220 hours			
	Year 1	220 x 15	3300		
		cleaning materials 7 x 11.74	82.18		
			3382.18		
	Year 2	220 x 15.50	3410.00		
		cleaning materials 7 x 11.74	82.18		
			3492.18		
	Year 3	220 x 16.00	3520.00		
		cleaning materials 7 x 11.74	82.18		
			3602.18		
Annual Totals					
		Year 1	9064.06		
		Year 2	9356.06		
		Year 3	9648.06		

Meadow Projected Costs to Year End				
	Current Total	Estimated Further Spending to Year End	Budgeted (inc grants) Figure	Projected Year End Totals
Inspections	420.00	520.00	1500.00	940.00
(underspend due to defib inspections now under Treasurer acc) Transfer £500 to Treasurer account?				
Maintenance	1355	250.00	1600.00	1605.00
Dog Bags	1101	1110.00	2250.00	2211.00
Grass Cutting	2870	2066.00	4700.00	4936.00
Professional Inspections	0	275.00	300.00	275.00
Sweeping of MUGA	0	300.00	300.00	300.00
Utilities	187.13	300.00	500.00	487.13
Nature Reserve - general	126.35	2500 (inc £2250 tree work)	700.00	2626.35
(Container project costs)	2966.88	0.00	3000.00	2966.88
Decision needs to be made on general NR costs - allow spending on to the £700 budget or stop any further spending due to overspend (tree work)				
Allotments	582.25	750.00	from rent/ allocated reserve	1332.25
Pump Track	90.20	210	300	300.20
Misc and bank charges)	227.00	10.00	200	237.00
MUGA etc reserve allocation***	0	2000 (to reserves)	2000	2000.00
	9925.81	5791.00	17350.00	20216.81
* Town Council Budget £3000 plus donations and grant funding to make £29990 total.				
** Additional Utilities costs due to work to build storage facility				
*** Will be added to allocated reserve for MUGA/Barn etc				
Highlighted are budget headings over/under spent				

New EHRC Public Toilet Toilet Guidance — Is Your Council Compliant?

From News @ Healthmatic <news@healthmatic.com>

Date Sat 15/08/2026 19:16

To pntc@hotmail.com <pntc@hotmail.com>

Dear Sir / Madam

We wanted to update you on new guidance that has come into affect as of the 5th August which has material implications for anyone operating public toilets. The guidance has come into effect off the back of the landmark ruling which states that people should use facilities based upon their biological sex not their gender.

There are a number of things to consider and here are the main points worth reviewing:

- Direct-access, standalone gender-neutral toilets are the best and unimpeachable.
- Urinals are allowed only in male designated toilets.
- Traditional Ladies and Gents toilets are also fine, but in good practice, should be supported by a gender neutral alternative.
- A separate accessible toilet or DDA can be considered your gender neutral option but councils should consider whether its access arrangements create a disadvantage for other users. For instance a Radar key access might not allow for a genuine gender neutral alternative.

At Healthmatic, we understand the issues that operators face on a daily basis; vandalism, maintenance and cleaning issues, long before the ECHR introduces new guidance that could leave you at risk. Whilst it might only be "guidance" it can have implications on whether an organisations conduct is lawful under the Equality Act.

This is exactly the kind of practical, site-by-site problem Healthmatic deals with every day and we can advise on what your options are, and supply the doors and access equipment needed to be compliant. We also have alternatives that don't force a trade-off between accessibility and gender-neutral provision. For more information on the new updated code please head to the [Healthmatic Website](#).

We also have our new compliant, cost conscious rental model, so you can spread the cost of a new toilet over a 15 year term, rather than requiring intensive capital procuring, installing and funding a new toilet.

Please get in touch and we can talk you through your options.

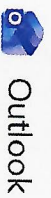
Hugo Hodgson

Budget Sheet			
Went's Meadow Site inc MUGA etc, Eddie's Meadow			

	2026-27	Draft 2027-28	Committee Recommendation
Weekly Inspections (inc defib checks)	1500	1000	
General Maintenance	1600	1600	
Dog Bags	2250	2350	
Grass Cutting/weed killing	4700	5000	
Professional Inspections (Rospa & Tree Survey)(300 & 1250)	300	1550	
MUGA / New Barn Reserve	2000	2000	
Allotments (funded via rental income)	0	0	
Sweeping of MUGA	300	300	
Pump Track (in new projects last year)	300	3000	
Utilities	500	600	
Misc.(to include bank charges)	200	200	
See separate sheets for current year spend and projections			
	13,650.00	17,600.00	0.00

Nature Reserve			
	2026-27	Draft 2027-28	
Cllr. J. Ramsay to advise	700	700	

Toilets			
	2026-27	Draft 2027-28	
	7,000	12,000	
£5000 from reserves	5,000		
Expected spend to year end	11,000		
Painting Works not carried out, was to be £3650			
See separate sheets for current year spend			



Re: Sites and Buildings Committee 2nd November 7pm

From Gareth Graham <~~gareth.graham@presteigneandnortoncc.com~~>

Date Mon 19/10/2026 19:25

To Tracey Price <presteigneandnortoncc@outlook.com>

 1 attachment (296 KB)

26 10 19 wents meadow backfield blocked path and mowing.pdf;

Hi Tracey,

Unfortunately there is a good chance I wont be back from the London to Brighton in time for the meeting so if I don't make it please accept my apologies.

Couple of things the committee members might like to discuss -

Work Day -

Last year seemed to lose a bit of momentum in terms of numbers, if we are going to have a work day next year please can the possible dates be circulated to the whole group to see who is available when prior to setting the date. I imagine this discussion needs to happen on email early March. Happy to do so if we have a circulation list for the group.

Blocked Public Footpath from Day Centre entrance to Old Mill Steps -

Last winter I cleared the thorn trees along the footpath working from the top down approximately half way down before running out of time.

- Shall I continue the rest of the way this winter in an effort to clear the whole footpath.
- Shall I leave the last few trees to keep it blocked until maybe Shep can be contracted to pull out the tree stumps with his digger? Some are around 3 inch diameter plus so are a trip hazard. This would have a small cost.
- Have Western Power agreed to do anything about the thorn that is growing up and interfering with the power cable to the Old Mill? If so shall I wait until after they have, this would reduce the task, but they only reduce it to head height so it grows back and needs doing every few years. They may reduce the cable interference but that wont clear the path.

- If the path can be cleared of thorn trees and stumps wide enough will the group please discuss re-routing some of the path mowing in the back field as shown in the document attached to hopefully keep it clear in the future. This wouldn't be extra mowing just alternative routing. Clearing this path and the thorn scrub that encroaches into the field in this corner and takes over the fruit trees and the footpath every couple of years is quite tedious. Foot traffic alone wont prevent the thorn from growing back.
- There is a small magnolia tree leaning over the footpath, this would need re-setting upright/moving back a few metres. Again a winter job.

Hedge Cutting/Rough Ground Cutting

- If not already scheduled could the strip of hedge from the top of the new ramp to old kissing gate behind the barn be cut as it has already grown out to the path?
- Could the inside of the hedge along the Knighton road be cut this time in anticipation for the pump track work? (not essential but would be good)
- Can the ground up to and the weeds over all of the earth piles along the centre hedge be cut back as much as possible as hopefully some of this earth will be needed for the pump track and at the moment you cant see what is where for weeds?
- Area around the wildflower area -
The wildflower area is cut using the hand machine which is very well done but must be a huge & labour intensive effort. The ground to the hedge side and below down to the fence has not been cut for years, obviously that cant also be cut by hand. As a result this ground is now extremely rough and is starting to contain scrub (some which got cut by hand during the work day), it is preventing the cut grass from being piled anywhere near the far corner along with the fruit tree cuttings which were just spread around down there(which we cleared up and burnt during the work day), it is resulting in an ever expanding dumping corner. Can this ground around the flower patch be cut when the hedges are done this winter? This would hopefully allow the area to be tidied in the spring. Can we think about how the strip below the wildflower area can be cut first in future to allow the cuttings to be able to be piled in the corner going forwards? Or perhaps a path to the corner needs cutting with the hand machine before cutting the main area? The remaining area could be cut with the hedges going forwards.

Best Regards

Gareth

On Fri, Oct 9, 2026 at 7:06 PM Tracey Price <presteigneandnorton@outlook.com> wrote:
Good evening everyone.

Blocked Public Footpath and proposal to re-route some path mowing to keep it clear in future

