

Broadwas and Cotheridge Parish Council

11.03.2026

Report for item 26/53 MHDC Legacy Fund grant for Berryfields

Since the last meeting there has been a flurry of activity (thanks to the Clerk and councillors)

Accordingly Councillors are asked to review and approve the final offer from MHDC.

The details are as follows:

Total grant award **£60,800.00**

Parish Council contribution at 15% **£9,120.00**

At present the agreed allocations are as follows:

Item 1 Children's play equipment Wicksteed £6,236.51

Item 2 resurfacing car park and access Preferred quote
Cheltenham Surfacing £36,315.00
(This is subject to a 35% deposit agenda item 26/54.2 refers).

Item 4 a) notice board £1,306.03

Item 4 b) Waste Bin £221.30

Item 4 c) Wheelchair accessible Picnic table £380.00

Item 4 d) Qty 2 Wooden benches £640.00

(One quote outstanding for replacement fencing due to a change of materials and any plants or landscaping needed. Also awaiting invoice from the solicitor).

Agreed total has come to £44,779.84. This is £31,221.16 under the forecasted total amount.

MHDC can release the full amount of £60,800.00

However, the Parish Council should be aware that any underspend will need to be reported to MHDC with immediate effect so that MHDC can re-allocate as appropriate.

In this instance the Parish Council contribution will need to be adjusted.

Works have to be started prior to the 31st March 2026.

Councillors are asked to make the following decisions:

1. Acceptance of the grant in accordance with the schemes terms and conditions
2. Approval of the Parish Council contribution
3. Setting up of appropriate arrangement for delivery and oversight of spend, to include scrutiny of any variation and final returns to the scheme administrators
4. Approval or arrangements to approve outstanding items of work.
5. Setting of dates for delivery of main elements (re surfacing, fencing and play equipment).
6. Arrangements to support the Clerk in her role and discussion of any contingency measures.

Richard Burrows
Chair