

APPENDICES ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

03.08.2026

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE UPDATES

Arrange for Cllr Hughes & Dave from the outdoor team to inspect footpaths	ENVC187/2026	01.06.2026	Cllr Hughes saw Dave & arranged himself to meet at Imperial Rooms
Purchase padlock & chain for allotment gate	ENVC188/2026	01.06.2026	We have one already, no need to purchase
Inform WAFAS & allotment holders of padlock code & date of installation	ENVC188/2026	01.06.2026	Email sent - date of installation Completed 03.08.2026
Investigate the costs & licensing for planters outside Iceland & Greggs	ENVC189/2026	01.06.2026	Investigation began
Purchase 1500mm bench for Diana garden	ENVC190/2026	01.06.2026	Purchased, delivered, installed
Update Corporate Committee on Freedom Leisure AI use	ENVC191/2026	01.06.2026	Cllr Lowthrop was not at Corporate so will update Environment
Ask Matlock residents where to plant free trees	ENVC193/2026	01.06.2026	Survey up & running from 24.07.2026
Invite residents to visit Wildthyme & Diana Memorial gardens	ENVC193/2026	01.06.2026	Posted 14.07.2026

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ENVC187/2026 – *Path inspection (see point 9 on the agenda)*

ENVC188/2026 – *Notice has gone out to all concerned, Padlock installation*
03.08.2026

ENVC189/2026 – *Planters report (see point 10 on the agenda)*

ENVC190/2026 – *Bench installation completed 22.07.2026*
Suggested plaque text 'This garden and bench are dedicated to the memory of Diana,
Princess of Wales 1961 – 1997'

ENVC193/2026 – *Due to an issue with multiple surveys this was not implemented*
until 24.07.2026, not enough data to report back on as yet however the public have
been invited to Wildthyme & Diana Memorial as requested

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STATION BUILDINGS UPDATE

Email from David Clasby

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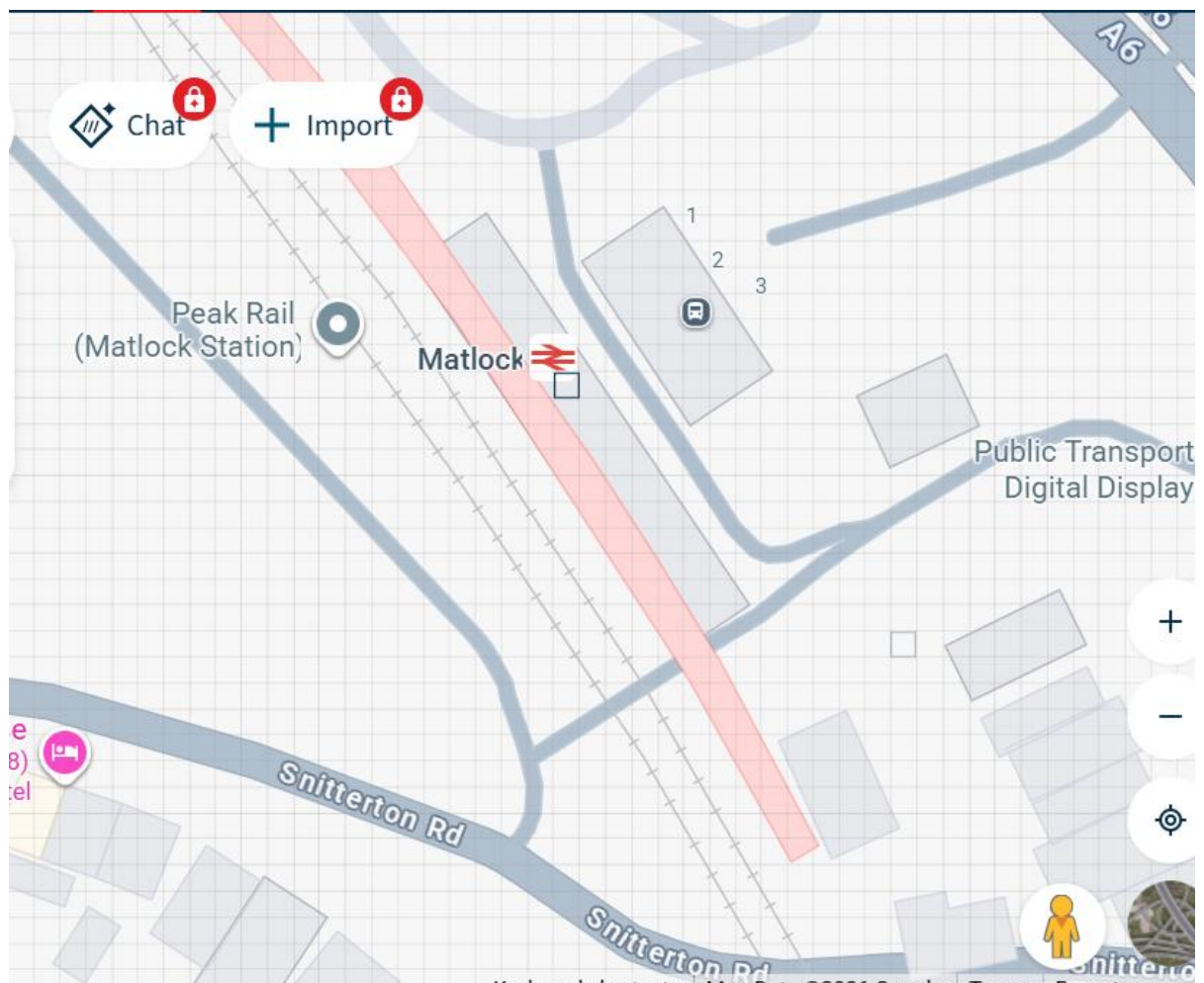
Station building update.

I went into the station buildings today to speak to the contractors. I spoke to the site manager re water for my volunteers. His advice was that it would be down to the new tenant

The buildings are now being advertised. Here is the link on the Arch Co website.

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One thing I am going to clarify is if the £15k rent is for both buildings as the 3 words locations on their website seems to show it as one building. The other is to push again on a reduced rent for a start up in the first few years.



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The picture above is what Arch Co's website shows as the location using 3 words. It seems to indicate the offer is for one long single building as if they have lumped the two buildings together.

Would MTC be able to share the information that the buildings are available to rent?

Matlock Station Event Space

An idea has been put forward to use the space in front of the old Peak Rail café building to hold outdoor events. There is space underneath the stairs leading to the bridge to create a small stage or have a film screen.

Let me know if MTC would like to be involved in putting an event together.

Thank you.

DC

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I am part time, my usual working days are Monday to Thursday.

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ALLOTMENT UPDATE

The Clerk and General Assistant met with the chair of the Allotment society and discussed a number of issues which are as follows:

1. *Should we have a more regular, formal meeting between WAFAS and office staff?*

We left this open as both sides are happy that the current informal meetings we have (every 3 months or so) are sufficient at the moment.

2. *Platform housing flat 7 outside area has now been cleaned up (The Clerk wrote to Platform housing to complain around a month or so ago).*

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Unfortunately the tenant has been over zealous with their regime and mowed a whole wild flower area next to the flat.

The Clerk will write to Platform again to ensure the flat occupant understands where their garden starts and where is MTC land.

3. *Mowing and strimming of wild flower areas needs to be on a formal basis as it has to be done at very specific times.*

WAFAS chair to draw up a schedule for the outdoor team.

4. *A particular plot holder has been written to as a reminder to pay but also as the plot is hugely overgrown and no work has been done on it in a year.*

Payment has now been made but no one has shown up to take care of the plot. This is in breach of the tenancy agreement and plot holder will be given a final warning on the tidiness with a deadline for improvement.

5. *Castle View school plants grown at the allotments have been amalgamated into the memorial garden in Hall Leys Park.*

They would like to sow wild flowers in September directly in to the memorial garden.

6. *Padlock is about to be put in at the main gate.*

WAFAS would like us to write to each tenant asking them to put the padlock back on every time they use it.

7. *Paths between plots in some places are not kept well.*

General Assistant to write to plot holders reminding them of their obligation to keep paths between plots tidy.

8. *A plot holder has suggested we purchase two posts and a chain to stop local residents parking at the entrance to the allotments.*

Would be chained up with a second padlock (we already have) with the same code as the main gate padlock. Approximate cost £250.

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ALLOTMENT STRUCTURES POLICY

Sheds, Greenhouses, Polytunnels and other structures

You may put up a shed or other temporary structure, such as a greenhouse or polytunnel. These structures must not take up more than a quarter of your plot in total. You should keep all structures well maintained and in good condition.

When thinking about locating your structure please ensure you minimise the impact on your allotment neighbours. A gap of at least 60 centimetres (2 feet) should be left between any structure and the boundary fence of any private garden alongside the allotment.

You should not build structures with permanent foundations. Sheds or greenhouses may be supported on temporary foundations that are a maximum of 22 centimetres (9") deep and laid dry.

If a structure on your plot doesn't meet the conditions set out here, the Council may ask you to take it down.

Please speak to the Council or WFAS if you are unsure about any of this guidance.

Sheds

You are allowed to have one shed up to 3 metres by 2.4 metres and 2.6m high (10' by 8' by 8'6") unless you have a large plot in which case please ask the Council or WFAS for advice on any additional structure.

Greenhouses

Your greenhouse can be up to 3 metres by 2.4 metres and 2.6m high (10' by 8' by 8'6") unless you have a large plot in which case please ask the Council or WFAS for advice on any additional structure.

Greenhouses should be glazed with glass or horticultural PVC.

Polytunnels

A polytunnel can be up to 6 metres by 3 metres (20 feet x 10 feet). You must get permission from the Council before you build a polytunnel on your plot.

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PATH REPORT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To give the committee an update on some of the paths in Matlock that need works either via our outdoor team or via Derbyshire County Council

RECOMMENDATION

For the Clerk to write to Derbyshire County Council with any works that are required by them (Path 14 has already been reported) and to take to Corporate Committee potential fees for additional works to be charged to landowners

BACKGROUND

A number of paths around Matlock that the MTC outdoor team maintain (trim, mow, cut back etc) are in need of additional works such as repaving or resurfacing. Cllr Hughes, along with the Clerk and the outdoor team have reviewed a number of paths that need extra works and they are presented here:

PATH 7



Runs from Chesterfield Road into Lumsdale Quarry

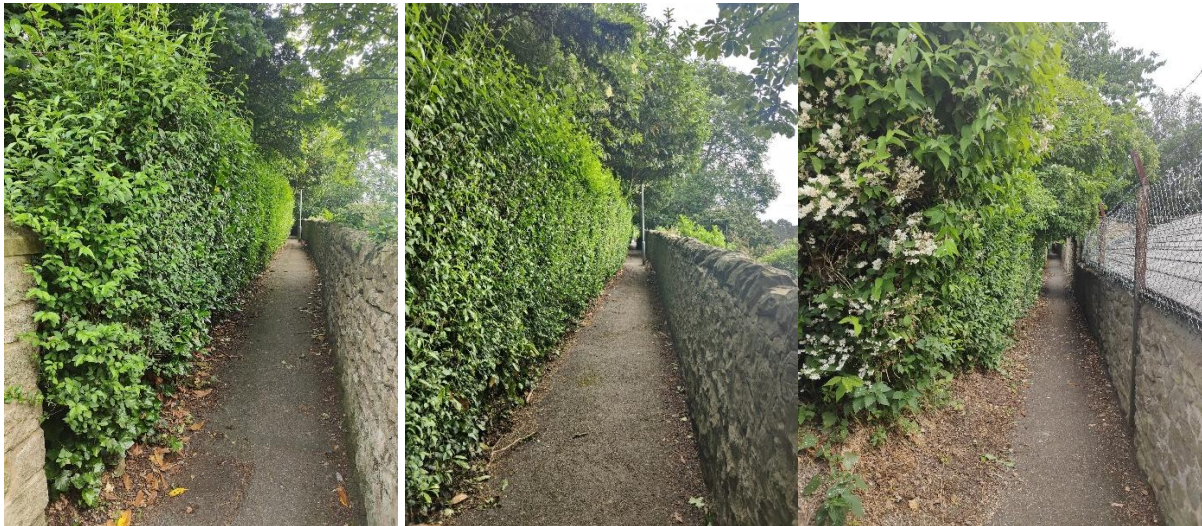


Works needed – Possible rail support and steps as it's very difficult to climb once into the woods

PATH 9

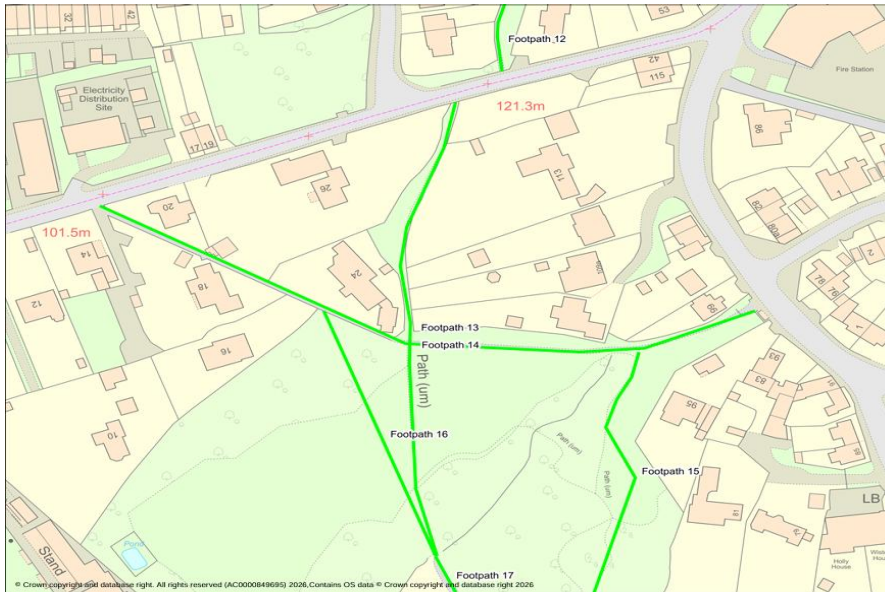


Runs from Wellington Street above the allotments To Chesterfield Road



Works needed – Private hedges need trimming. Office to write to the relevant residents.

PATH 14

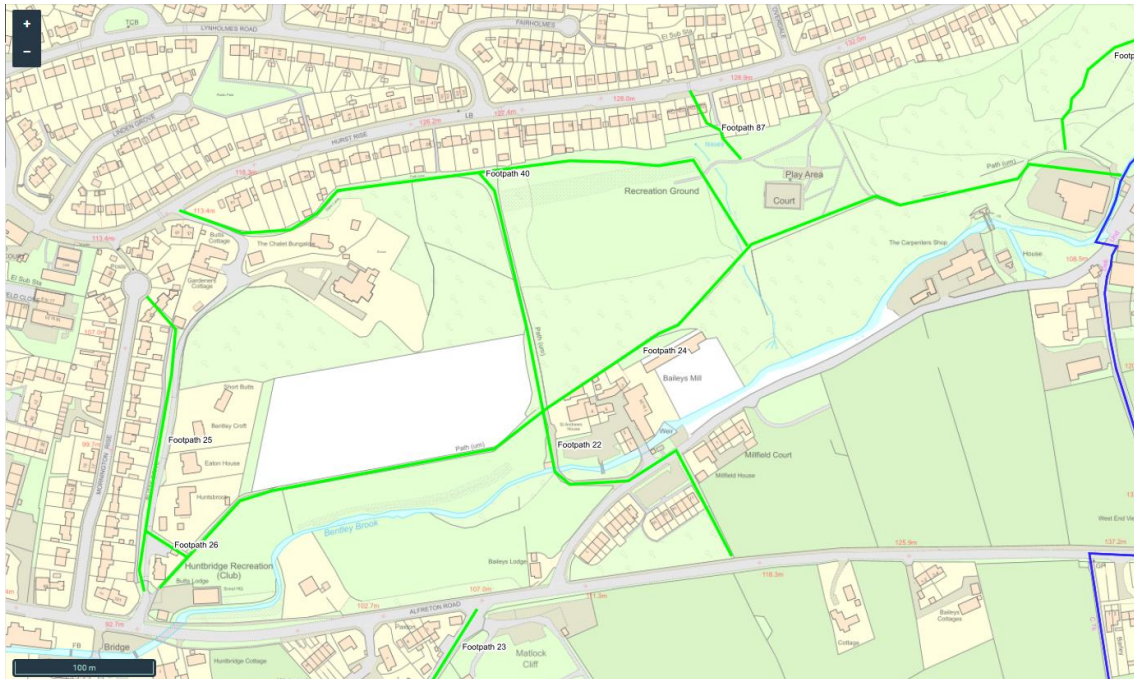


Runs from Steep Turnpike into Denefields



Works needed – Resurfacing of the paved areas which are highly dangerous. Recently a resident fell over one of the many pot holes on the path.

PATH 22 & 24



Run from Butts Drive to Lumsdale Road



Works needed – Repaving, slab replacement

PATH 27

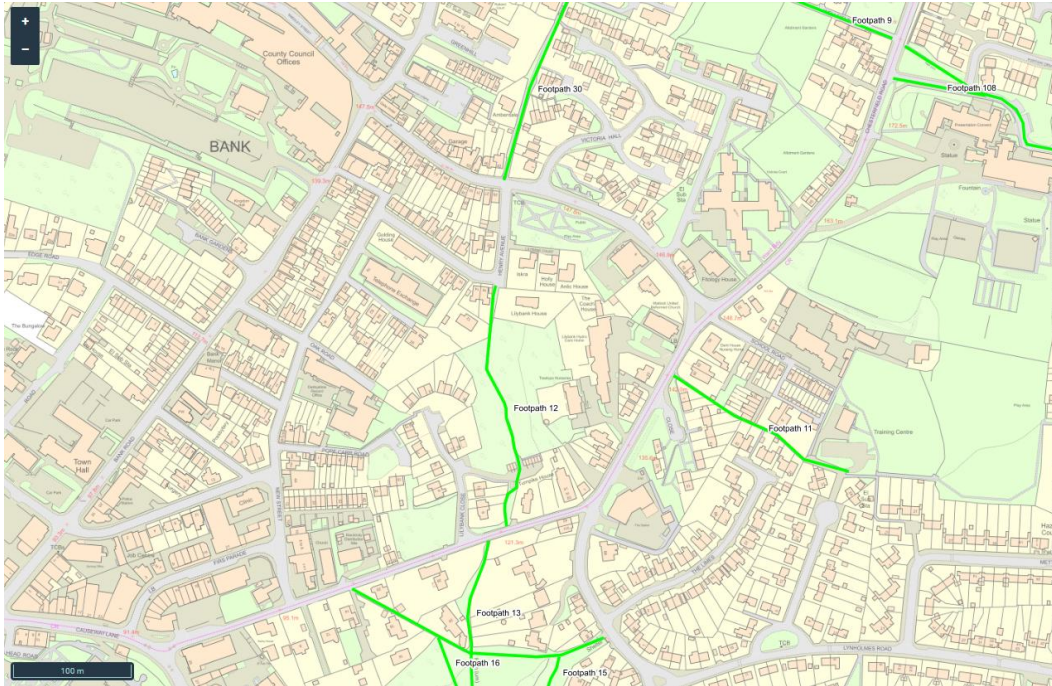


Runs from Cavendish Road to Jackson Road



Works needed – 2 replacement benches

PATH 30,12 & 13

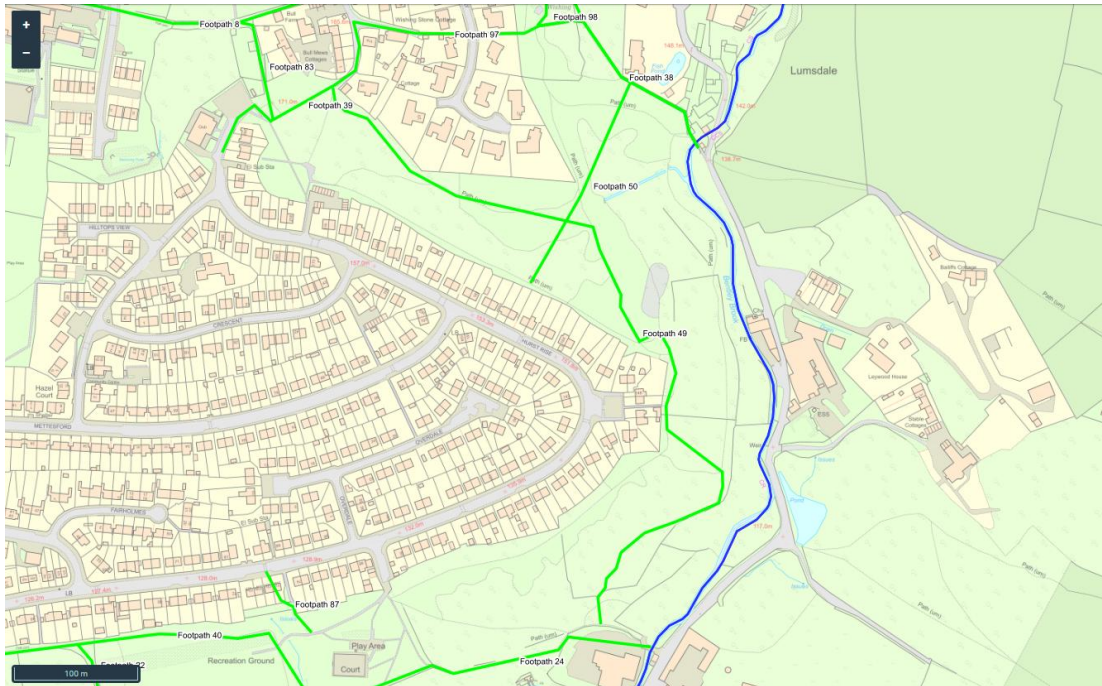


Runs from Wellfield (Oldham Villas) through to Henry Avenue down to Steep Turnpike & across into Denefields



Works needed – Wall needs repointing. Will liaise with landowners

PATH 49

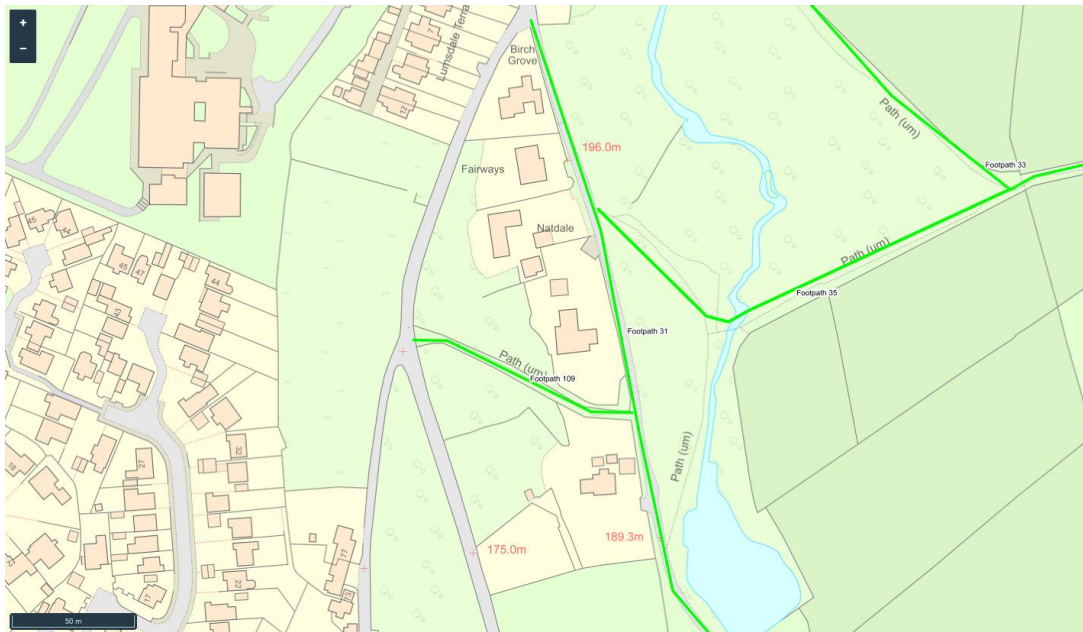


Runs to the East of Hurst farm



Works needed – Partial wall repair and/or new hand rail

PATH 109



Runs between Lumsdale and Path 31



Works needed – Write to the landowner regarding cutting back hedges

Additional:

What are the plans for the new path around Hurst Farm. Will it be included in the Minor Maintenance agreement next year?

Should we consider offering our services for a fee to landowners who don't cut back hedges etc?

***Path 52** has a dangerous fence in places that DCC will be informed about*

ESTIMATED STAFF TIME:

Potential additional work to add to outdoor team schedule

Dated: 14.07.2026

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PLANTERS REPORT

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To set out some ideas for potential new planter locations on Bakewell Road & Causeway Lane and to share information on licencing and costs of new planters.

RECOMMENDATION

For the Committee to agree in principle to add 2 or 3 new planters to the town and to ask the Clerk to obtain the relevant licences for the agreed planters

BACKGROUND

BAKEWELL ROAD

The two planters on Bakewell Road (Specsavers side) were moved in 2024 in an attempt to discourage delivery drivers (and others) parking in between the traffic lights and Crown square roundabout which can be very dangerous for pedestrians and cause delays to the traffic approaching the roundabout from the Bus station. The gap between the planters is enough for drivers to continue to park there and so the problem remains.

The Clerk has visited the site twice to take measurements of planters and distances between them and on the first occasion was almost run over by a Greggs (just eat) delivery driver and on the second occasion couldn't get near one planter as fibre broadband vans (2) were surrounding it and causing issues for pedestrians and traffic.

Looking at each place individually:

Specsavers **option 1**: 1 new planter



Specsavers **option 2**: 2 new planters



Specsavers **option 3**: 1 new planter and movement of existing planters



CAUSEWAY LANE

Delivery driver parking can also be an issue outside Iceland. The very corner of the junction with Firs Parade can get quickly jammed up and become dangerous for pedestrians

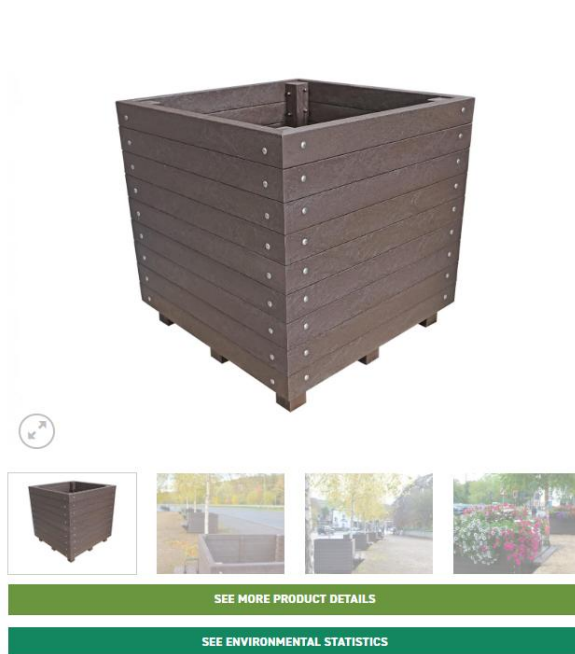
Iceland



LEGAL:

Licences must be sought from DCC for planters to be situated.

FINANCIAL:



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Matlock Commercial Planter

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- Built to last a lifetime
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- Graffiti resistant

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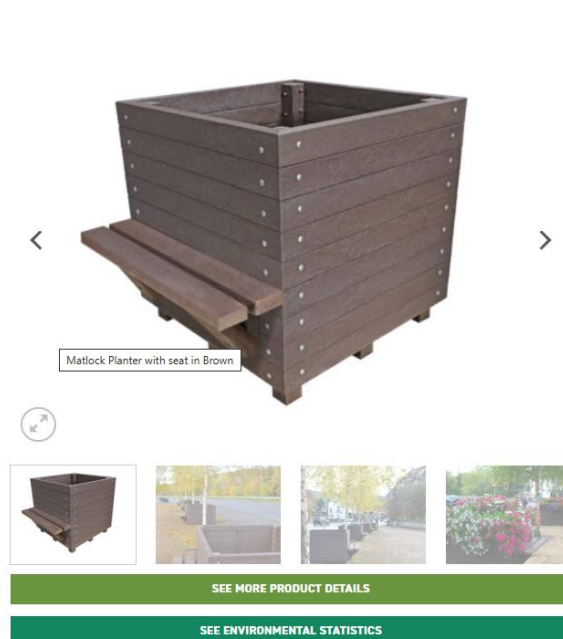
Colour Options Brown ▼

Size Options 1000mm x 1000mm x 1000mm without seat ▼

£1,056.00

Price shown includes VAT (Net amount is £880.00)

Estimated delivery date is 08/09/26



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Colour Options Brown ▼

Size Options 1000mm x 1000mm x 1000mm with seat ▼

£1,254.00

Price shown includes VAT (Net amount is £1,045.00)

Estimated delivery date is 08/09/26

The above planter could be suitable for outside Iceland as although 1000mm high, a planter on the opposite kerb has been approved at 900mm and TDP can make the same height to order. This could potentially be a hazard to traffic turning into Firs parade.

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The Matlock (that is TDP's naming convention) can also be produced in a 1000mm x 1000mm x 600mm (height) version which would be more suitable for the Bakewell Road location (both planters in situ are this same size) but could also be utilised at Iceland. These come in at £600.

POWER USED:	Local Government Act 1972. s.144
COST CODE:	Outdoor
BUDGET HEADING:	Equipment & Materials
BUDGET REMAINING: <i>as at date below</i>	£8500

EXPENSE:

Approximately £ for

QUOTATIONS RECEIVED:

SUPPLIER:	COST:	NOTES:
TDP	£600	Per 600mm height planter
	£	
	£	

ANTICIPATED INCOME:

None

ESTIMATED STAFF TIME:

An hour for planting and watering on a regular basis but within existing outdoor team schedule

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has also been taken into consideration: Prevention of Crime and Disorder; equalities; environmental; climate change; health; human rights and personnel and property.

Dated: 23.07.2026

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FREEDOM LEISURE AI USE UPDATE

Email from Community development manager at DDDC:

Hi

Please see below responses regarding Lynxight at Arc.

Let me know if you require anything further.

Thanks
Becky

Particularly evidence around increased safety - The lynxight system work with external camera which cover 100% of the pool floor, the camera view overlaps so that there are 2 cameras covering the pool floor as well as the swimmer in the pool. The algorithm behind the system monitors behaviour of the swimmers and alerts lifeguards on and off the pool of any protentional danger in the pool from ab-normal behaviour.

The risk assessment - A generic risk assessment has been created which is then made site specific and used to train staff on all new procedure around the system and the changes to lifeguarding, positions and how the system operates. A copy can be provided if required.

How data is stored - Data is stored under GDPR and data control regulation and is stored via our host Lynxight. We freedom do not have any control or use of any live or recorded data (footage) at sites. All access is done by a formal process and controlled tightly by Lynxight. The footage is only kept for 7 days unless, a request is made. Then Lynxight will process the data before releasing to Freedom Leisure.

Who has access and the data controller/GDPR policy - When data (video footage) is required, the site will request the data from Lynxight via the help desk giving all details about the incident, date, time, pool space involved. This request will be looked into by Lynxight who hold all camera data. if the request is granted the footage will be sent to the Data Protection officer at Freedom Leisure (Matt James) who will view the footage before it can be sent to site, it will checked and any redactions made to the footage. If required, this will start the formal process of an internal investigation. This could be at a local level or involve the central health and safety team.

How it has been shared with users of the Arc - If the footage is to be shared with the site it will only be shared with the AM/GM of the contract to ensure no data breaches occur and they will be responsible for the footage and must ensure it is kept safe and safely secured. Only the relevant staff members are to view the footage. No copies of the

footage are to be made. The footage is for pool incident only and not for any other reason. Freedom staff refer to the internal Operational Document for best practice.

How it will effect job opportunities- There is still a need for lifeguards on duty at all times, it means that we can reduce the number of lifeguards to meet our required regulations. Giving us more flexibility when programming sessions and the maximum numbers in sessions, tailoring rota to meet demand.

Thanks

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ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Derbyshire Dales CVS is managing the Community Resilience Grant on behalf of DDDC. This grant is open to Parish and Town councils and can provide up to £25,000 in funding.

Eligible projects should aim to:

- Maintain key rural services, facilities, and community infrastructure
- Boost community and volunteering capacity
- Enhance social inclusion and resilience
- Support post-pandemic recovery and safe, healthy communities
- Take local action on climate change, including reducing carbon emissions



Derbyshire Dales
Council for Voluntary Service

Meet the Funder

Derbyshire Dales Community Resilience Grant Scheme

Wed 5th August at 12.30pm and 6pm
online

Join us for a 30-minute session to learn about the grant scheme and ask any questions you have about the application process or your application.

Please contact Sarah or Polly if you would like to book a place
Tel 01629 812154 press 1 or email
enquiries@ddcvs.org.uk



Open until Wednesday 26th August at 5pm