NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL





Title of Report	2025/26 CAPITAL PROJECTS UPDATE
Presented by	Jason Knight Leisure Services Team Manager
Background Papers	None
Financial Implications	All works are covered within existing budgets or through external funding sources.
	Signed off by the Section 151 Officer: Yes
Legal Implications	None
	Signed off by the Deputy Monitoring Officer: Yes
Staffing and Corporate Implications	None
	Signed off by the Head of Paid Service: Yes
Purpose of Report	To update members with regards to capital projects within the Coalville Special Expenses Area.
Recommendations	THAT THE WORKING PARTY:
	NOTES THE PROGRESS UPDATE ON THE 2025/26 CAPITAL PROJECTS

1.0 2025/26 CAPITAL PROJECTS

1.1 Coalville Special Expenses Assets

The Asset Management Plan approved as part of the 2025/26 budget setting process is attached as **Appendix A**. All works budgeted for in 2025/26 will be delivered during the financial year.

Greenhill Recreation Ground Changing Pavilion - £9,000
This includes work to treat the walls, remove graffiti, decorate internally and externally, and the installation of a new extract fan. Work is being managed and delivered by the Property Services and quotes have been obtained which come in within budget. Consequently, the works will be delivered over winter.

Scotland Recreation Ground Drive Repairs - £1,903
This work has been completed, and this item will be removed from future reports.

London Road Cemetery Tree Works - £1,050 These works will be delivered during winter 2025/26. London Road Cemetery Footpath Repairs and Levelling - £10,000

This work is being managed and delivered by Property Services. Quotes have been obtained which come within budget and so subject to corporate approval being given for works to be undertaken, works will be completed prior to 31 March 2026.

Broomleys Cemetery Tree Works - £1,930

These works have commenced and will be completed during winter 2025/26.

Broomleys Cemetery Path Sealing - £13,105

Subject to being able to procure a contractor to deliver these works, they will be delivered prior to the end of March 2026.

Broomleys Cemetery Driveway and Path Repairs - £12,000

This work is being managed and delivered by Property Services. Quotes have been obtained which come within budget and so subject to corporate approval being given for works to be undertaken, works will be completed prior to 31 March 2026.

Play Area Painting - £5,400

Cropston Drive Play Area has been completed. All outstanding works will be delivered prior to the end of March 2026.

Stadium Close Play Area Equipment Replacement - £2,450 This work will be completed prior to the end of March 2026.

Staples Drive Play Area Entrance Gates - £3,000

This work has been completed, and this item will be removed from future reports.

1.2 Trees in Coalville

External funding has been obtained, and plans are being developed to plant trees at the following sites:

- Cropston Drive Recreation Ground
- Stadium Close Play Area
- Western Avenue Recreation Ground

The funding covers the planting of the trees and the first three years of maintenance.

1.3 **Junior Parkrun**

Following support at the last meeting of the Coalville Special Expenses Working Party, preparations are ongoing to launch a Junior Parkrun at Coalville Park in spring 2026. There are currently 22 volunteers willing to support the weekly event.

1.4 Coalville in Bloom

The scheme for 2025 has been delivered. There have been concerns raised around the quality of the hanging baskets and these are being investigated by officers whilst also considering alternative options for 2026. The number of hanging baskets purchased by local businesses decreased from eleven in 2024 to six in 2025.

Officers will begin to develop proposals and options for 2026 and will agree these with the Chair of the Working Party.

1.5 Scotlands Bowls Club

Discussions are ongoing with Scotlands Bowls Club to give them a long-term lease for the site rather than the rolling annual licence they currently have. This will give them full maintenance responsibility for the pavilion, the bowling green, and the surrounding area. It is hoped the lease will be in situ by April 2026 and it is anticipated this will save the Coalville Special Expense budget £12,000 per annum.

1.6 Melrose Road Recreation Ground

Following approval from Cabinet, Melrose Road Recreation Ground has been accepted onto the Football Foundation (FF) Home Advantage Programme. After advertising for expressions of interest, the Council is currently working in partnership with Ingles Football Club and the FF to develop a long-term lease of the area for Ingles FC. Once agreed, the lease through the scheme will allow the football club to access up to £250,000 of external funding to improve on-site facilities including the pitch, the changing provision, and security. The funding also allows the Council to access up to £25,000 of external funding to cover costs incurred during the process. It is hoped the lease will be in situ by summer 2026 and it is anticipated this will save the Coalville Special Expense budget £3,000 per annum.

1.7 Coalville Park Improvements

£46,849 of section 106 funding for improvements at Coalville Park has been secured. Proposals for the improvements including the planting of trees, sensory play, planting schemes, and updated signage will be developed in agreement with the ward member and Chair of the Working Party prior to being implemented.

1.8 **Burial Sponsorship Income**

£140 of income has been received in 2025/26 from Autumn Memorials for the sponsorship of a flower bed in Broomleys Cemetery. This follows on from the company also sponsoring a flower bed in 2024/25.

Policies and other considerations, as appropriate		
Council Priorities:	Communities and housingClean, green and Zero CarbonA well-run council	
Policy Considerations:	None	
Safeguarding:	None	
Equalities/Diversity:	None	
Customer Impact:	The provision of well-maintained and attractive open spaces and Coalville town centre	
Economic and Social Impact:	None	
Environment, Climate Change and Zero Carbon	Supporting the Zero Carbon agenda through the planting of trees	
Consultation/Community/Tenant Engagement:	None	
Risks:	None	
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