



NORTHAW & CUFFLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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MEETING	Full Council
MEETING DATE	16 th July 2026
SUBJECT	Planting, Northaw
AGENDA ITEM NO.	26/27-20c
REPORT BY	Sally Griffiths, Office Manager, Northaw & Cuffley Parish Council

01 BACKGROUND:

There are 3 flower planters located along Northaw Road West, near to the Potters Bar entrance to Northaw Village. There being 2 at the entrance to the village by Northaw House/Northaw Pond and the 3rd in the Millennium Gardens.

While no formal records have been found relating to these, it is understood that the planters were installed by the Parish Council prior to 2014.



We currently we have a volunteer who replants the 3 planters in Northaw twice a year, for winter/spring in November and then for Summer/Autumn in June/July. However, there have been concerns raised that this could be viewed as the parish council exceeding their authority, by paying money directly to an individual resident.

Officers have therefore reached out to our Grounds Maintenance contractor to investigate moving the bi-annual planting of the 3 planters in Northaw to a formal arrangement with our ground's maintenance contractor.



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02 QUOTATION:

We have been quoted the following from our Grounds Maintenance contractor:

- To remove old bedding then to supply and plant up new bedding twice per annum (summer & winter bedding) 90 plants twice a year across the 3 planters Geraniums/Bellis/Violas etc with compost.

Cost per visit - £785.00 +VAT.

Annually - £1,570.00 +VAT.

03 MOTIONS PROPOSED:

MOTION: To add the bi-annual planting of the Northaw troughs to the current ground's maintenance contract, with delegated authority given to Clerk to manage the requirements.

MOTION: Extend thanks to the volunteer who has been carrying out this work, and allow payment of the final invoice supplied for planting supplies, for works completed.

Implications (completed by the Acting Clerk)	
Staffing Implications	Co-ordination, arrangement of works and overseeing, will be completed in normal working hours
Council objectives	Meets the objective of maintaining parish assets
Equalities and human rights	Equality and human rights issues have been considered
Crime & Disorder	Crime and disorder have been considered
Biodiversity	Biodiversity issues have been considered
Financial	Agreement may result in expenditure from reserves.
Legal	Local Government Act 1972, s. 144
Risk Management	Material risks exist and these will be assessed prior to works carried out. Insurances and all other documents from contractors will be retained