

Materials Purchase

Materials are required to restore and enhance the eleven large council owned planters located along Bridge Street. It is requested that materials are purchased from the Waterfront Ring-Fenced Funds (currently £6117) to enable this work to take place, rather than the village planting budget (currently £150), which is limited and there are other areas in the village which the budget will be needed for this year such as Westcroft Green Space new relaxation zone and Church Road planting. The materials required for spring are:

Item	Supplier	Quantity	Unit Cost	Total Cost
Compost 50 litres	Poole's	3	£6.50	£19.50
Westland Organic Chicken Manure Pellets (8kg)	Amazon	1	£16.36	£16.36
Masonry Paint, Black (5L) to re-paint council planters	Amazon	1	£19.99	£19.99
Autumn Bulbs <i>Nerine bowdenii</i> (Guernsey Lily)	Farmer Gracy	50	£0.94	£47.20

Total: £102.05

Purpose of funding:

- Replenish planters with fresh compost
- Improve soil quality using organic fertiliser
- Repaint planters to maintain and enhance visual appearance
- Introduce seasonal planting to provide long-term colour and interest

Council Objectives Work Supports:

This is in line with council objectives:

1. Maintain and improve community facilities and amenities
2. Protect and enhance our green spaces and street scene
3. Preserve and enhance heritage assets, environmental assets and wildlife
4. Retain and encourage employment and tourism opportunities
5. Improve the well-being of residents
8. To recognise the climate and biodiversity emergency and it should be considered as the basis of all decision and policy making

Legal Powers

- Highways Act 1980, S96
- Environment Act 2021, S102
- Natural Environment and Rural Communities Act 2006, S40

As the planters are in Saxilby Waterfront and conservation area the new Saxilby Waterfront Group volunteers have offered to undertake the works, in line with their role to maintain the area. The first volunteer session will take place on Saturday 4 April 2026 as part of the national Big Spring Clean. where the group are continuing to look after the parish area for the community and visitors alike to enjoy.

Recommendation:

Approve council expenditure from the Waterfront Ring-Fenced Budget for the planting and maintenance of council owned planters on Bridge Street.