

Lengthsman / Drainage / Public Right of Way Grants 2026/27

Summary of information received.

2025/26. If materials have been purchased for a grant funded project, but they are unable to start and complete the project before the deadline of 31 March 2026, we will accept a partial claim for materials to be submitted. The Parish Council will then be able to re-apply for a grant to cover any other costs associated with finishing the project under the 2026/27 scheme.

2026/27 Lengthsman Funding Scheme

Annual Maintenance Plan and Lengthsman Agreement – sign and return before **1 May 2026**.

£60 per kilometre of C and U roads within the Parish Council's area.

Scope of works has been updated. See Agreement, page 13 onwards (Part 2A).

No deadline - work to be completed by 31 Mar 2027 and invoices submitted by 9 Apr 2027.

2026/27 Drainage Grant Funding Scheme

Deadline for applications is **3 May 2026**. Oversubscribed last year, all submissions will be assessed before funding is allocated. Depending on the volume of applications, our intention is to have awards issued by 12 June 2026.

The 2026/27 scheme offers funding to Parish and Town Councils for two main elements: maintenance of existing assets/features and creation of new ones. All works must be completed by suitably qualified individuals.

Maintenance of existing assets/features

Maintenance funding covers tasks such as ditch clearance, scraping kerbs, and clearing grips to reduce flooding or standing water, but excludes gully emptying. Maintenance can also be carried out on privately owned assets if it benefits the public highway, with a funding cap of £4,000 per council for 2026/27.

Creation of new assets/features

Such as installing culverts, drains or pipes, as part of minor schemes intended to reduce flooding on highways. Proposals should be supported by estimated costs, photographs and what3words locations. Councils should also state if any proposed works were previously approved but not completed.

Funding is available for minor schemes that help prevent flooding, with applications needing to include detailed proposals and supporting information. Councils should highlight if any works are being resubmitted due to previous approval but incomplete delivery.

Funding. Cap of £25,000 per council.

Lengthsman £2,034 + £1,017 = £3,051.00

Drainage – Maintenance, up to £4,000

Drainage – New Asset – bids to be made.

PROW – up to £5,000. Labour, max day rate £200.

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