

Solar Farm Community Benefit Monies

The Town Council entered into an agreement with Sandridge Solar Power Limited on 9 August 2016 in respect of money emanating from the production of solar power in the locality which is to be provided as a community benefit fund over a number of years. In accordance with the terms of the agreement, a payment of £34,425.14 was received on 26 August 2016.

Under the terms of the agreement the Town Council is committed to spend the payments received on goods or services which are for the promotion or improvement of the environmental, social or economic benefit of the local community.

The schedule below shows how the payment of £34,425.14 received on 26 August 2016 has been assigned to initiatives that benefit the local community:

Initiative	Rationale	Expenditure
1. Supplementary grass cutting	To supplement the monthly grass cutting of King George V Park and the Cemetery such that the grass in these key community amenity areas within the town is cut on a fortnightly basis	£6,359.04
2. Play facility & equipment	To part fund the replacement of the derelict paddling pool in King George V Park, closed by Wiltshire Council, with a new toddler play facility	£13,316.10
3. Bus Shelters	To replace the 3 bus shelters in a very poor condition at Beanacre Road opposite Nortree Motors; Beanacre Road close to McDonalds; and New Broughton Road, with new facilities	£9,750.00
4. Splash Pad	To accrue a financial contribution to fund the provision of a new splash pad water play facility in King George V park	£5,000.00
Total		£34,425.14

The Town Council will keep a public record of any further monies received under the terms of this agreement and detail how they are assigned to goods or services that benefit the local community. This will be available to view on the Town Council's website and will be publicised through the press and social media.