



CHADDLEWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

Tuesday 8th September 2026, Chaddleworth Parish Council meeting held in Chaddleworth Village Hall, Upper End, Chaddleworth, RG20 7DY

Councillors Present: Cllr. G. Beard, Cllr. P. Hambro, Cllr. P. King, Cllr. A. Woodroffe
Ward Member: Cllr. C. Hooker
Clerk: Mr D Jennings
Members of the Public: none

1. **APOLOGIES**: Received and accepted from Cllr. K. Brady.
2. **COUNCIL VACANCY**:
 - 2.1. Cllr. S. McAllister-Lovelock has resigned from the Council effective 24th August 2026. The Council **unanimously resolved** to give their wholehearted appreciation and thanks to Shane for over 20 years of service. Ward member Cllr. C. Hooker gave his thanks to Shane for his outstanding achievement showing devotion and commitment to both our village and the community.
 - 2.2. The Clerk confirmed that West Berkshire Council Electoral Services have been notified and the Vacancy for a Councillor signs displayed on the village notice boards. If ten electors do not request an election, the parish council is free to fill the empty seat by co-opting a new councillor. The Council will advertise the role through Chaddleworth News, notice boards, etc. **Action:** Clerk
3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST ON AGENDA ITEMS**: None.
4. **MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS**: The minutes of the previous meetings held on 7th July 2026 and 27th July 2026 were **unanimously approved** by Councillors present and duly signed by Chair Cllr G. Beard.
5. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**: (Not minuted).
 - 5.1. Ward Member Cllr. Clive Hooker noted the local government reorganisation (LGR) decision for the 'Downlands Unitary Authority' was given by the Government but the government subsequently announced it will review this and other LGR decisions across England to ensure they are robust and align with its new priorities. This will inevitably introduce delay and possibly changes.
6. **PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED**:
 - 6.1. **Planning Application 26/01619/FUL, Two Acre Dairy, Manor Farm**: Change of use of an existing area of hardstanding to provide up to 47 self-storage containers, <https://publicaccess.westberks.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=TIN19DRDJCR00>. The council discussed this application and some concerns were raised. The council **unanimously resolved** to respond **Support** with four material planning concerns for West Berkshire Planning to consider and address in mitigating planning conditions with any approval as follows:
 - 6.1.1. **Highway Safety, Junction Risk, and Drainage**: Junction Risk & Speed: The site accesses directly onto a narrow rural road junction with a recorded history of serious collisions, where passing traffic frequently moves at speed; Heavy Agricultural Traffic: The access lane is heavily utilized by large, slow-moving farm machinery (including combine harvesters). Additional vehicular movements generated by up to 47 self-storage units, particularly vans, trailers, and cars, present a cumulative safety hazard; Surface Water & Flooding: The junction and surrounding road network suffer from localised surface water flooding. Any change in site usage or hardstanding run-off must incorporate robust Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) to avoid exacerbating local flood risk. Requested Mitigation: A full Highways Safety

Assessment should be undertaken, ensuring safe sightlines at the junction and establishing clear delivery traffic management protocols.

- 6.1.2. **Protection of Public Rights of Way and National Cycle Infrastructure:** Intersecting Routes: The site sits directly adjacent to a public footpath and a public bridleway, while the connecting highway forms part of the National Cycle Network; Pedestrian & Cyclist Safety: Increased vehicle turns and movements into the site risk conflicting with vulnerable road users (walkers, horse riders, and cyclists). Requested Mitigation: Clear warning signage, speed restrictions on site entry, and physical separation/protection for users of the adjacent footpath and bridleway must be secured.
- 6.1.3. **Visual Amenity, Landscape Setting, and Ecological Impact:** Designated Rural Landscape: The application site lies within the North Wessex Downs National Landscape (formerly AONB), a Designated Rural Area, and a recognized Biodiversity Opportunity Area. It is also in close proximity to Ancient Woodland and Local Wildlife Sites; Visual Impact: Introducing 47 industrial-style metal shipping containers represents a significant visual change in character from agricultural use to commercial storage. Requested Mitigation: In line with Section 4.ii and 4.v of the Chaddleworth Parish Council Environmental Policy, any approval should require: A comprehensive native scheme of hedge and tree planting along exposed boundaries to screen the containers visually and support local biodiversity; Strict limits on external lighting to low-wattage, downward-facing, motion-activated LED fixtures to prevent artificial light pollution and protect nocturnal wildlife (Dark Skies protection).
- 6.1.4. **Site Security, Crime Prevention, and Rural Nuisance:** Out-of-Hours Activity: Self-storage facilities can generate late-night or early-morning visits, introducing noise, vehicle headlights, and disturbance during hours when the site was historically quiet; Rural Crime Risk: Rural West Berkshire suffers from a high prevalence of agricultural and tool theft. An unattended multi-unit storage facility represents a potential target for opportunistic crime. Requested Mitigation: Restrict customer access to reasonable daytime hours (e.g., 07:00 to 19:00 Monday–Saturday, 09:00 to 16:00 Sundays/Bank Holidays) to preserve rural tranquillity; Require robust perimeter security, anti-climb fencing, and secure CCTV systems designed in consultation with Crime Prevention Officers to deter anti-social behaviour and theft.
- 6.2. **Planning Application 26/01734/HOUSE, Orchard House,** Two storey rear extension and change in external materials. Section 73 application to vary condition 2 (Approved plans) of Planning Permission 23/02766/HOUSE, <https://publicaccess.westberks.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=TJJIURRDJL900>. The council discussed this application and **unanimously resolved** to respond **Support** with comments in appreciation of the addition of solar photovoltaic (PV) panels within the revised plans. This enhancement directly aligns with the Council's Environmental and Climate Change Policy and the Chaddleworth Community Plan priorities to support carbon reduction, sustainable building practices, and domestic renewable energy adoption across the parish.
- 6.3. **Waylands Update:** the council **noted** an anticipated planning application covering the demolition of the existing bungalow and replacement with a single 4-bedroom house is expected and look forward to considering this when it is advised.

7. **FINANCE:**

- 7.1. The Budget vs Expenditure for year 2026-2027 to date was reviewed and **unanimously accepted** (appendix 1).
- 7.2. The payments and receipts since last meeting were reviewed and **unanimously accepted** (appendix 2).

8. **SAUNDERS WYNN AND COVENTRY EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION:** Following the resignation of Cllr. S. McAllister-Lovelock, Cllr. P. Hambro kindly volunteered to become the new PC representative to the Saunders Wynn and Coventry Educational Foundation charity and the Council **unanimously agreed** to this. It was noted that the role is as a trustee of the charity and that their next is scheduled for 19th November. **Action:** Clerk to respond.

9. **PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY:** Following the resignation of Cllr. S. McAllister-Lovelock, the council noted that the Public Rights of Way PC representative role is vacant and that hopefully this role might be nominated once the councillor vacancy is filled. It was noted that any public rights of way issues seen can be advised to any of the Parish Councillors or to the Clerk.

10. **ACTION ITEMS:**

- 10.1. Business Continuity plan: A set of 'business continuity' scenarios is to be drawn up and the contingency plan for each documented. **Action:** Clerk.
- 10.2. Clear Council insurance cover review: The insurance renewal from Clear Councils has been received. Cllr. G. Beard kindly agreed to check the documents provided, the cover included, that these match and are suitable for the Risk Assessment. It was also suggested that it should be clear which parties are responsible for risk assessments for typical events and that it is clear that these are shared between stakeholders. **Action:** Cllr. G. Beard (carried).
- 10.3. Cllr. G. Stanley memorial tree: It was noted that planting may soon proceed following the summer especially dry period. The Plaque specification is received from Guy Stevens via Cllr. K. Brady. The wording for the Plaque wording is to be devised and confirmed. The soil's pH is to be tested. It is understood that an Acer does not thrive in lime/chalk alkaline soil of pH7 and above. Penwood Nurseries have suggested some alternatives of which Amelanchier Lamarckii has year-round interest and Arbutus Strawberry Tree is also a good option. These options to be checked with the involved parties. Autumn or spring planting is suggested by when the plaque should be prepared. **Action:** Clerk (carried).
- 10.4. War Memorial clean and repair: The requested maintenance to the War Memorial is to be completed. **Action:** Cllr. K. Brady (carried).
- 10.5. Playground maintenance: Cllr. P. King and the Clerk have met with Henry Matthews (Proland Academy) to review the playground maintenance required and options for completing them. His report is expected shortly. **Action:** Clerk

11. **CHADDLEWORTH COMMUNITY PLAN**

- 11.1. Cllr. P. King reported that a first Governance Meeting with main stakeholders is to be scheduled.
- 11.2. It was also noted that the meeting with Henry Matthews (Proland Academy) covered the thoughts suggested in the plan report and that his report will also suggest on which to progress next as priorities. **Action:** Cllr. P. King.
- 11.3. The strong community support for a 20MPH limit in Chaddleworth is clear from the Chaddleworth Community consultation response and West Berkshire Council has demonstrated a commitment to supporting 20mph schemes, notably piloting area-wide 20mph speed limits, provided there is clear evidence of strong community backing, which Chaddleworth possesses. WBC contacts are Cllr Stuart Gourley (Executive Portfolio Holder for Environment and Highways) Gareth Dowding (Principal Engineer, Traffic and Road Safety). The Council **unanimously agreed** to formally contact West Berkshire Council to introduce a 20mph speed limit in Chaddleworth, based on the strong community support demonstrated in the recent parish consultation and to gain advice on our specific site and the next steps which can be taken. **Action:** Cllr. G. Beard, Clerk (carried)

12. **PARISH COUNCIL POLICY UPDATES**

- 12.1. Casual Vacancy Procedure: The draft of this procedure was reviewed and the Council **unanimously resolved** to adopt it.
- 12.2. Scheme of Delegation: The draft of this scheme was reviewed and the Council **unanimously resolved** to adopt it.
- 12.3. Environment Policy (draft on website): The draft of this policy is available on the Parish website. The Council agreed to review this in more detail and move to adoption in the next meeting.
- 12.4. Environment Policy draft has been started. **Action:** Cllr. G. Beard.
- 12.5. Community Emergency Plans: The national template and JEPU guidance to assist in discussing and forming a community plan has been provided by West Berkshire Council (WBC). The Council have agreed that this should be used and included in the Parish Council Policy. Advice has been sought from the Great Shefford Emergency Team and it was noted that East Ilsley may also be a good reference. WBC have a session scheduled 22nd October which we will seek to attend. **Action:** All, Clerk.

13. **CORRESPONDANCE**

- 13.1. West Berkshire Council: The next District Parish Council is scheduled for 13th October 18:30 to 20:30 in Council Chamber and online; A new Councillor's Register of Interests form has been provided, Clerk will prepare new versions for Councillors; the LGR Ridgeway is delayed whilst Gov. reviews.
- 13.2. Open Meeting suggestion from Lee Dillon MP (appendix 4): The council discussed this correspondence and **unanimously agreed resolved** to respond in support of this being progressed, perhaps in combination with neighbouring parishes. **Action:** Clerk to respond.
- 13.3. Lines of communication update from RAF Welford (appendix 5): The council discussed this correspondence, note and appreciate the information provided from RAF Welford.
- 13.4. Greenfest 2026 update and application for a grant (appendix 6): The council discussed this correspondence and **unanimously agreed** to grant award the grant requested. **Action:** Clerk to respond.

14. **COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS**

- 14.1. Cllr. G. Beard reported that the schools have started their new academic year and that their regular newsletters have resumed; reminded that Remembrance Sunday is 8th November 2026, anticipates the usual RAF Welford event also and that the Council should provide and lay wreaths as usual.

15. **CLERK'S REPORT**

- 15.1. Anti-social Car driving and speeding has been raised by many to the PC. One specific parishioner was identified by many, the Police notified and the PCSO issued a warning to them.
- 15.2. The School Hill road sign has been damaged by the WBC verge cutting, reported to the PC, reported by us to WBC and it is to be repaired.
- 15.3. The VAT reclaim has been submitted for Q1 Apr, May Jun.
- 15.4. A grant application has been received from Citizens Advice West Berkshire and will be included in the correspondence agenda items for the next meeting.
- 15.5. The clerk has completed training events from SLCC with further events scheduled Budget 15th September, HR 8th December, and Agendas and Minutes on 24th September and 1st October. The Clerk is also to complete the SLCC Financial Introduction to Local Council Administration (FILCA) qualification to support the Responsible Financial Officers (RFO) role.

16. **MATTERS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION:** none.

17. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:** The next planned meeting is an Ordinary Meeting to be held Tuesday 3rd November 2026 at 7:30pm in Chaddleworth Village Hall.

18. **Appendix 1: Budget vs Expenditure –2026-2027 Year to Date**

Chaddleworth Parish Council			
Expenditure vs Budget 2026/2027			42%
Receipts	To Date	Budget 2026/2027	%
	£	£	
Precept	£ 9,000.00	£ 18,000.00	50%
Bank Interest	£ 78.04		
Member Bid	£ -		
CIL funding	£ -		
Sundry	£ -		
VAT reclaim	£ 375.80	£ 2,000.00	
Total	£ 9,453.84	£ 20,000.00	47%
Payments	To Date	Budget 2026/2027	
	£	£	
<u>Salaries</u>			
Salary	£ 2,397.20	£ 5,600.00	43%
Pension	£ -	£ -	
Sub-total	£ 2,397.20	£ 5,600.00	43%
<u>General Office & Administration</u>			
Clerk Expenses	£ -	£ 200.00	0%
Councillor Expenses	£ -	£ 50.00	0%
Postage and Stationery	£ 41.97	£ 100.00	42%
Subscriptions and Training	£ 291.88	£ 300.00	97%
Parish Insurance	£ 595.12	£ 650.00	92%
Newsletter Printing	£ 352.45	£ 1,200.00	29%
Hire of Halls	£ -	£ 200.00	0%
Website Hosting and Email	£ 80.88	£ 400.00	20%
Bank Fee	£ 15.00		New
Audit	£ 170.00	£ 175.00	97%
GDPR registration	£ 47.00	£ 60.00	78%
Sub-total	£ 1,594.30	£ 3,335.00	48%
<u>Open Spaces</u>			
Churchyard Maintenance	£ -	£ 200.00	0%
Field Rents	£ -	£ 350.00	0%
Grass Cutting & Roadside Maintenance	£ 1,406.75	£ 2,500.00	56%
Playground Inspection	£ 150.00	£ 200.00	75%
Playground Repairs	£ -	£ 2,000.00	0%
Dog/Litter Waste Bins	£ 327.12	£ 850.00	38%
Memorial Garden	£ -	£ 250.00	0%
Grit Bins	£ -	£ 300.00	0%
Village Repairs	£ 180.42	£ 1,000.00	18%
Defibrillator	£ -	£ -	
Sub-total	£ 2,064.29	£ 7,650.00	27%
Donations	£ -	£ 1,630.00	0%
National Event	£ -	£ 500.00	0%
Neighbourhood Plan	£ 973.40	£ 3,000.00	32%
		£ -	
Total	£ 7,029.19	£ 21,715.00	32%

Overbudget item notes:

The bank has introduced a monthly current account fee after budget was set.

19. **Appendix 2: Payments and Receipts Since Last Meeting**

Statement of Accounts 2025/2026

Payment and Receipts 01Jul26 to 01Sep2026

Payments			
Date	Description	Amount	Budget Area
08 Jul 26	GOCARDLESS	£ 2.99	Website Hosting and Email
10 Jul 26	Chaddleworth Cricket Club CPC Grant	£ 973.40	Neighbourhood Plan
13 Jul 26	GOCARDLESS	£ 2.99	Website Hosting and Email
17 Jul 26	GOCARDLESS	£ 11.99	Website Hosting and Email
23 Jul 26	BIBBY COMMERCIAL FINANCE LIMITED SE SI5509 CHAC	£ 47.94	Dog/Litter Waste Bins
27 Jul 26	MRS ANDERSON CHADDLEWORTH PARIS	£ 20.00	Dog/Litter Waste Bins
27 Jul 26	MR DAVID JENNINGS CPC CLERK SALARY	£ 464.10	Salary
28 Jul 26	BIBBY COMMERCIAL FINANCE LIMITED SE SI5509 CHAC	£ 47.94	Dog/Litter Waste Bins
28 Jul 26	Bank Fee	£ 3.00	Bank Fee
29 Jul 26	THE ALPHA XPERIENCE Inv 00015170	£ 158.85	Newsletter Printing
30 Jul 26	INFORMATION COMMIS	£ 47.00	GDPR registration
30 Jul 26	SCOFELL COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPES INVOICE 39698	£ 281.35	Grass Cutting & Roadside Maintenance
10 Aug 26	GOCARDLESS	£ 2.99	Website Hosting and Email
13 Aug 26	GOCARDLESS	£ 2.99	Website Hosting and Email
17 Aug 26	GOCARDLESS	£ 11.99	Website Hosting and Email
25 Aug 26	MRS ANDERSON CHADDLEWORTH PARIS	£ 20.00	Dog/Litter Waste Bins
27 Aug 26	MR DAVID JENNINGS CPC CLERK SALARY	£ 464.10	Salary
28 Aug 26	BIBBY COMMERCIAL FINANCE LIMITED SE CHA003 INV	£ 47.94	Dog/Litter Waste Bins
28 Aug 26	SCOFELL COMMERCIAL LANDSCAPES INVOICE 39953	£ 281.35	Grass Cutting & Roadside Maintenance
28 Aug 26	Bank Fee	£ 3.00	Bank Fee
01 Sep 26	MR DAVID JENNINGS CPC Clerk Salary	£ 76.70	Salary
Total		£ 2,972.61	
Receipts			
31 Jul 26		£ 16.09	Bank Interest
28 Aug 26		£ 16.10	Bank Interest
Total		£ 32.19	

20. Appendix 3: Open Meeting with Lee Dillon MP in Chaddleworth

From: MARTIN, Lauren <lauren.martin@parliament.uk>
Sent: 14 August 2026 14:44
To: Clerk@ChaddleworthParish.gov.uk
Subject: Open Meeting with Lee Dillon MP in Chaddleworth

Good afternoon,

I'm writing from Lee Dillon MP's office to ask if you would be interested in hosting an open meeting for your parishioners to raise issues directly with Lee? He recently hosted a similar event in Hamstead Marshall, and it was a great success, so we thought it would be nice to do come to Chaddleworth in the coming months.

Please let me know if you would be interested in organising a meeting. When Parliament is sitting, it will most likely need to be on a Thursday evening. However, we have another recess coming up in October, so we can be more flexible.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,



Lauren Martin

Communications Officer

Office of Lee Dillon MP | Member of Parliament for Newbury

Please note, I work Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. If you require an urgent response outside of this time, please contact my colleague bex.bright@parliament.uk.

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21. Appendix 4: RAF Welford, Chaddleworth

21.1.

From: 501 CSW/CRA RAFFW <501CSW.CRA.RAFFW@us.af.mil>

Sent: 14 August 2026 17:22

To: clerk@chaddleworthparish.gov.uk

Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RAF Welford, Chaddleworth

Good afternoon David,

Please do report any concerns regarding security of the base into the below:

Organization	Contact	Details
Community Relations Advisor	01285 714965 / 07764 166079 501CSW.CRA.RAFFW@us.af.mil	Community Relations Advisor to the local community for RAF Fairford and RAF Welford. Civilian employed by the MOD to support the US Airforce, specifically the 501st Combat Support Wing to maximise the mutual understanding between United States Visiting Forces (USVF) and the British communities in which they live and work. Contact for queries or feedback relating to the base from a local perspective.
MOD Police	01285 714477	Any concerns / suspicious activity for either base

For any emergency's, please call 999.

Many thanks,

Zo

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Community Relations Adviser

RAF Fairford & RAF Welford | US Visiting Forces Support Group

Email: 501CSW.CRA.RAFFW@us.af.mil / Instagram [@getlocal_raff](https://www.instagram.com/getlocal_raff)

Civ: 01285 714965 / Mobile: 07764 166079 / DSN: 314 - 247 4965

Building 2 | RAF Fairford | Horcott Road | Fairford | GL7 4DL

From: clerk@chaddleworthparish.gov.uk <clerk@chaddleworthparish.gov.uk>

Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2026 9:08 PM

To: 501 CSW/CRA RAFFW <501CSW.CRA.RAFFW@us.af.mil>

Subject: RAF Welford, Chaddleworth

Dear Zo,

Chaddleworth Parish Council notes with great concern the headline news today that Iran has issued threats to the UK specifically designating RAF Fairford. We appreciate that RAF Welford is a potential target in relation to this and that there will be heightened local security. By this email, we seek to establish the lines of communication with the Parish in order to support and assist in the situation as best we can. For example, to relay calming communication to our parishioners, a route to report concerns perhaps, in case any incident which occurs, or giant voice testing, etc. With whom can we connect and how best can we do that?

Best Regards and Go Well, David Jennings

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22. Appendix 5: GreenFest 2026 Grant Application

From: Lisa Hill <lisa@natureandclimatenetwork.co.uk>
Sent: 14 August 2026 17:08
To: Lisa Hill NCN <lisa@natureandclimatenetwork.co.uk>
Subject: GreenFest 2026

Dear Chair and Clark of the Parish Council, I hope you are all well.

I'm part of a volunteer group called the Nature and Climate Network. We are organising [GreenFest 2026](#) and its main event is on Saturday 24th October in Newbury.

This is a free, community project with wonderful family activities, to celebrate and encourage all things sustainable across West Berkshire and beyond.

We hope to welcome some 2,000 people to St Bart's School on Saturday 24th October, double last year's figure. We are determined to showcase all the ways that people can make a positive difference for nature and climate, engaging people with a huge West Berkshire welcome! We very much hope that yourselves and lots of your parishioners will join us.

GreenFest has been advertised in many parish and community magazines already, thank you if you helped make that happen.

Please see more info [on our website](#).

We would very much like to apply for a small amount of funding from your Parish Council, please. When we ran last GreenFest, in April 2025, funding from Parish councils was very important to make the event possible. The same is true this time, and it would be brilliant if you would consider supporting us once this year. We can of course make sure that any funding from you is highlighted in our marketing, social media and the programs on the day - it could even be used to sponsor something in particular if you wish.

We have a GreenFest 2026 funding project open at at the [Good Exchange and for the link please just click here](#), if that is helpful.

If you'd like any more information please just let me know.

Our fingers are crossed that you can help, and thank you so much for considering this.

With kind regards,

Lisa Hill (Secretary)

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lisa@natureandclimatenetwork.co.uk



www.natureandclimatenetwork.co.uk

Chaddleworth Parish Council Grant Allocation Policy
Chaddleworth Parish Council

Grant Application Form

Name of organisation: Nature and Climate Network

Address of organisation: Heathwaite, Slanting Hill, Thatcham, Berks, RG19 9QG

Contact name: Lisa Hill

Position in organisation: Secretary

Contact email address: lisa@natureandclimatenetwork.co.uk

Aims and objectives of your organisation. What does your organisation do and how does it benefit the residents of the Parish?

The objective of the Nature and Climate Network is to encourage West Berkshire residents to make positive choices for climate and nature – primarily reducing their carbon footprint and taking action to support our natural environment.

The GreenFest 2026 project benefits all West Berkshire residents, and all are invited. We would be delighted to welcome Chaddleworth councillors to GreenFest as part of the civic dignitaries opening at the start of the day.

Everyone across West Berkshire - including those in Compton - will benefit from action on climate and nature, and if they get involved themselves then they will also feel more positive about our shared future.

The more people who take action, the closer the tipping point for a better world.

Free Carbon Literacy training is offered to West Berks residents as part of GreenFest 2026 - if any councillors or other parish residents would like to take part in this we would be delighted to offer them places. Courses start every few weeks and are online.

If Chaddleworth residents would like support with their sustainability projects we would be pleased to offer help, and if local schools would like "Sustainability" assemblies or visits we can also help with that as we have School Climate Ambassadors in our team (part of the National scheme run for the South East from Reading University).

We will of course publicise the support that we receive from Parish councils on social media, in our press releases and on the day itself. If your council has a roller banner or other materials then these can be displayed at the main GreenFest community event on Saturday 24th October at St Barts School.

How many members do you have? We are a small group of about 6 volunteers.

What percentage are residents of the Parish? None of our members are Chaddleworth residents.

How much funding are you applying for? **We are applying for £150 please.**

Chaddleworth parish has almost 0.5% of the population of West Berks and coincidentally £150 is 0.5% of the GreenFest budget. If councillors wished to increase this then we would of course be very grateful.

What is the total cost of your project?

Budget total = £30k; Hire of St Barts School £5k; Marquee hire £1k; Royal Mail leaflet drop £3k; Advertising £4k; Admin & marketing support £5k; Stall going to events across West Berks £2k; Film/Talks events across West Berks £2k; Carbon Literacy Training £8k

Briefly describe the project for which you require a grant, giving a breakdown of what the funding will be spent on.

Please be aware that the Council do not normally give grants for running costs. If your application contains an element of running costs, please detail your plans to source alternative funding for this in future years.

Please be aware that the Council does not normally consider retrospective applications. If an applicant seeks funding for expenditure already incurred, please set out in full the reasons for the retrospective request and why prior approval was not obtained.

GreenFest 2026 is back and bigger than ever, inviting everyone to come together for a whole year of inspiring events, hands-on activities, learning and fun. After welcoming over 1,000 people in 2025, this year we're aiming to reach 3,000 local residents with workshops, festivals, film nights, community conversations and practical climate action for individuals and businesses.

Throughout 2026, you'll find GreenFest popping up across West Berkshire with friendly Nature and Climate stalls, interactive demonstrations, accessible advice on sustainable living and plenty of opportunities to get involved. From carbon-saving tips to creative upcycling, from food-growing to fixing things rather than throwing them away, and with lots of opportunities to engage with local organisations, we'll help you take simple, positive steps for people, nature and the planet.

The highlight of the year is the GreenFest one-day festival – a vibrant, family-friendly celebration packed with over 60 stalls, expert talks, pedal-powered smoothie bikes, repair and food-waste workshops, children's activities, sustainable food, live music and so much more. It's your chance to chat with local groups, meet people doing amazing things for wildlife and climate, and discover practical ways to live more sustainably.

GreenFest is shaped by your ideas. With deep community roots, strong links to over 60 environmental groups, and partnerships with schools, councils and local organisations and businesses, we make sure everyone has a voice – including those most impacted by climate change.

Whether you want to learn how to cut energy bills, explore electric vehicles, plant seeds, go on a bat walk, try Mediterranean cooking, ask a heat-pump owner, join citizen-science projects, or just enjoy great food and a welcoming atmosphere, GreenFest 2026 has something for you.

Total project costs is £30,000, and we have raised £25,000 already (£20,000 lottery grant, £2000 from Newbury Town Council, £500 other donations, £2500 match funding from Greenham Trust - here is the link to our application on the Good Exchange.

<https://app.thegoodexchange.com/project/21300/nature-and-climate-network---working-together-for-a-sustainable-west-berkshire/greenfest-2026---positive-actions-for-people-nature-and-climate>

Please provide details of the bank account that the grant should be paid into if approved. Name on account: Nature and Climate Network

Account number: 55487448

Sort code: 23-05-80

Declaration

I declare that the information confirmed in this application is correct and that any grant received will be applied as detailed in the request.

Signed (electronic signature acceptable): *Lisa Hill*

Date: 25/08/2026