

WESTON ON THE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk Update – 7th October 2026 Parish Council Meeting

1. Confirmation on Payments Received by Parish Council 21st August – 1st October 2026

Payment Date	Payer	Amount Received	Purpose
21/08/26	Oxfordshire County Council	£2,206.82	Parish verge grass cutting grant 2026-27
09/09/26	Cherwell District Council	£14,954.73	Cherwell DC - second precept payment
11/09/26	Oxfordshire County Council	£1,500.00	Councillor Priority Fund - grant for bus shelters

2. Parish Council Bank Account Information

The balance on the Parish Council two bank accounts on 1st October 2026 were:

- Community xxx114: £12,916.46
- Business Premium xxx629: £64,170.27

£3,000.00 was transferred from the Community account to the Business Premium account on 27th August 2026.

£10,000.00 was transferred from the Community account to the Business Premium account on 14th September 2026.

3. Grant Applications

Bus shelters: this application for £1,500.00 to the Oxfordshire County Council Councillor Priority fund to support the installation of new bus shelters on B430 was approved and payment received. Thank you to Councillor Gordon for the support.

Community van: the Parish Council have been successful in being awarded a £6,000 Community Transport grant from Oxfordshire County Council to cover two years of the service.

North Lane pond works: the grant application to the Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment (TOE) to cover works required at the pond in the centre of North Lane has been successful and they have agreed to award the Council £1,850.00 to support the works (covered under item 12 on the agenda).

4. Oxford Traffic Filters

The traffic filters trial replaced Oxford's temporary congestion charge on Monday 28 September 2026. It operates in a similar way to the temporary congestion charge, with the filters at the same six locations and a permit scheme in place. The key difference is that car drivers are no longer able to pay the £5 congestion charge to go through the traffic filters.

Cars with valid permits and all other vehicles can travel through the filters at all times.

Further information on the scheme: <https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/transport-and-travel/oxford-traffic-filters>

Survey to provide feedback runs: **28 September 2026 - 28 March 2027 (11.59pm)**
(https://letstalk.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxford_filters_et2026)

Residents, businesses and organisations in Oxfordshire are invited to give feedback on their experience in a survey that will be open from today (28 September) until 28 March 2027. Paper copies are available from County Hall and Oxfordshire libraries.

The consultation seeks residents', businesses', visitors' and organisations' feedback on their experience of the traffic filter trial, asks whether they have changed how they travel, and if they'd like to see any changes to the scheme.

The clerk attended a briefing on the scheme on 14th September 2026 – no additional information provided than to be found on the website.

The information will be placed on the Council website and facebook.

Community Van:

The current permit for the community van (acting under "Personal car used by community health or care worker") has been transferred automatically to a traffic filters permit when the trial began on 28 September 2026.

The permit's start date reset to the traffic filters trial start date of 28 September 2026 and is valid for 12 months.

5. General Highway Issues

Road sign: the knocked around road sign opposite Axicon on the B430 has been reported to Fix My Street and it has been scheduled to be fixed.

Road sweeper: Cherwell District Council has agreed to send a road sweeper down B430, will confirm if I receive a date or it will just be actioned.

B430 SSEN trees update: the clerk has queried the tree debris left on B430 following works to remove branches around electrical cables and below is the response following an escalation of our concern from SSEN:

"I have spoken with the team that carries out vegetation management work in your area regarding your query. Unfortunately, they are unable to confirm whether the works in question were undertaken by our contractors. However, when vegetation clearance work is carried out on behalf of the company, an agreed level of clearance and tidying is usually undertaken. In situations where we are unable to identify or contact the landowner beforehand, any cut vegetation may be left on site, and responsibility for its removal would remain with the landowner."

Gully cleansing: gully clearing in Weston on the Green is scheduled to take place in January 2027 and March 2028. In the meantime if you notice a blocked drain or drainage issue after this work has been completed, you can report it online via FixMyStreet (<https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk/>)

Village Salt Bins: a request has been sent to Oxfordshire County Council to top up two salt bins ahead of the winter season (corner of Westlands Avenue and B430 and corner of Church Lane and Church Close).

Fly tipping out of parish: fly tipped sofa on Tollbrook Corner reported to Cherwell District Council.

6. Autumn Litter Pick: Saturday 17th October 2026, 9.30am

The clerk has applied to borrow equipment from Cherwell District Council for the litter pick and they will also collect any litter from the playing field car park in the week commencing 19th October.

7. Transfer of footpath off North Lane to Parish Council

The signed HM Land Registry TR1 form to transfer registered titles for the transfer of part of the footpath off North Lane has been sent back to our solicitor Spratt Endicott. We will be notified when the transfer has been finalised.

8. Oxfordshire County Council: Flood Preparation Event (24th September 2026)

The clerk attended the flood preparation event hosted by Oxfordshire County Council and spoke with the County Council and various suppliers. A number of the products shown were on a larger scale than possibly required.

Issues can be reported via Fix My Street and the Oxfordshire Flood Toolkit (www.oxfordshirefloodtoolkit.com).

Riparian ownership and flood risk leaflets were collected which would aid providing information on landowners duties.

Other literature will be utilised to enhance the information provided in the Emergency Plan and on the Council website, including a guide to 'Are You Ready' provided by the Thames Valley Local Resilience Forum and 'Making Your Home Flood Ready'.

9. Administration Information

Parish Council Meeting Dates:

2026 Dates – 4th November, 2nd December

2027 Dates – 6th January, 3rd February, 3rd March, 7th April, 5th May, 2nd June, 7th July, 4th August, 1st September, 6th October, 3rd November, 1st December

Next Meeting Papers Distribution Date: By 30th October 2026. Please let me have any agenda items or papers ahead of this date.

Next Village News Content Deadline: 12th November 2026