



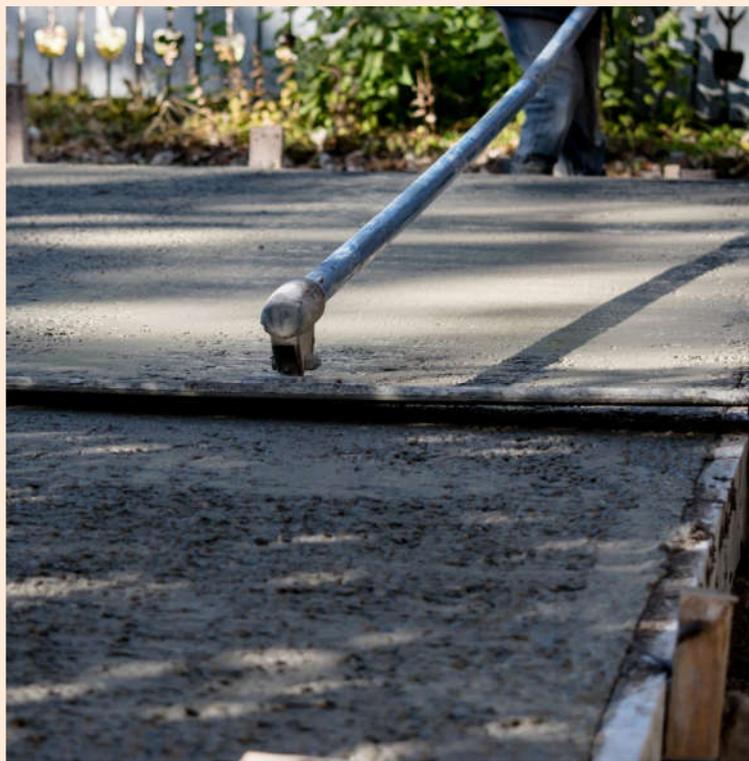
Lichfield
District Council

Councillor led clean & green programme

Get your bids in by 30
November 2025



Why



You have told us you regularly hear from residents about:

- Broken benches, overgrown paths, untidy areas, graffiti
- Frustration when issues fall outside council responsibility
- Desire for visible improvements that build pride and safety

We want to change that through the clean and green programme which is all about helping you to take direct action on small, local improvements that make a big difference.

How it's funded



£75,000 per year for three years (2025/26 - 2027/28)

- Year 1 funded via **UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF)**
- Years 2 & 3 built into the **Medium-Term Financial Strategy (MTFS)**

Approx. £3,400 per ward per year

Used for practical improvements - materials, small works, staff time.

Potential for match funding with parish councils and partners.

Perhaps not a perfect solution?

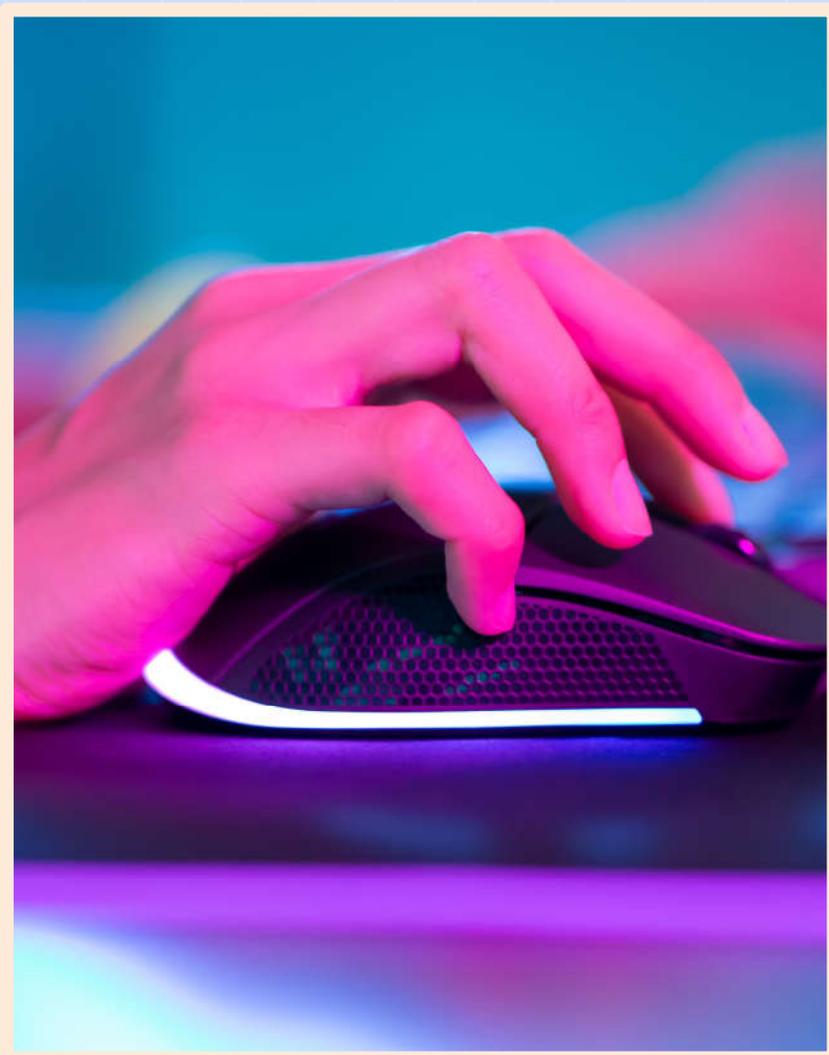


We've had a number of comments and concerns about the funding split.

We know there's not really a perfect split.

- £3,400 a ward will enable at least one sizeable project.
- The alternative is to divide by councillor - £1,595 which is a far smaller budget to deliver something meaningful.

The key thing with the UKSPF is to spend it by 31 March 2026 or we lose it. We can use this learning to inform next year's funding division.



Your team

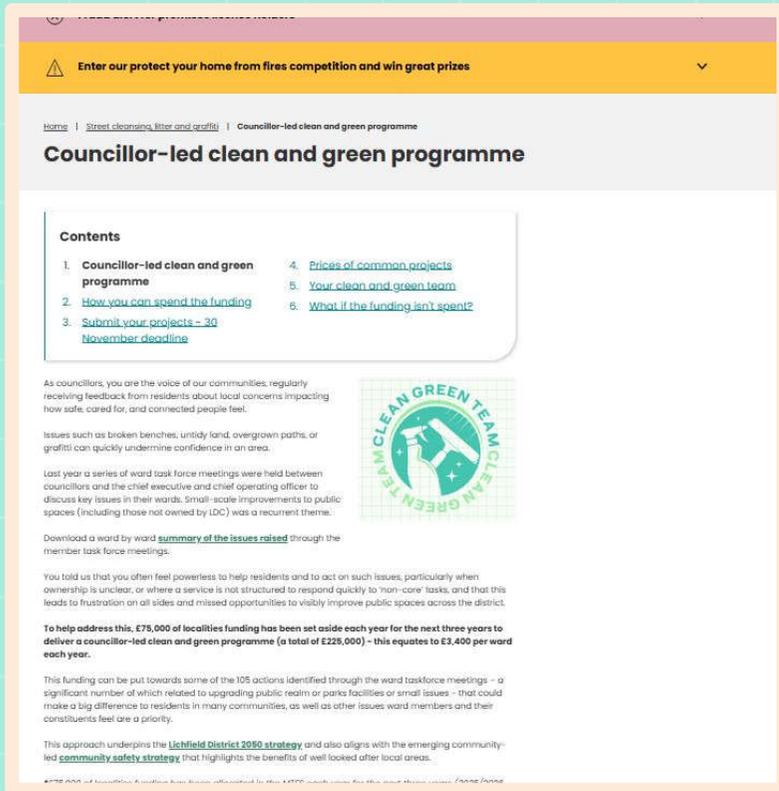
- **Xavier Walker** – Clean & green coordinator (your main contact)
- **Lyn Hunt** – Historic parks manager
- **Rich Parks** – Street scene supervisor
- **Ann Mills** - Housing and homelessness manager
- **Nathan Fox** – Technical officer – car parks and CCTV
- **Yvonne James** – Community safety manager

Useful resources

To help you identify and prioritise projects, www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/cleangreen includes:

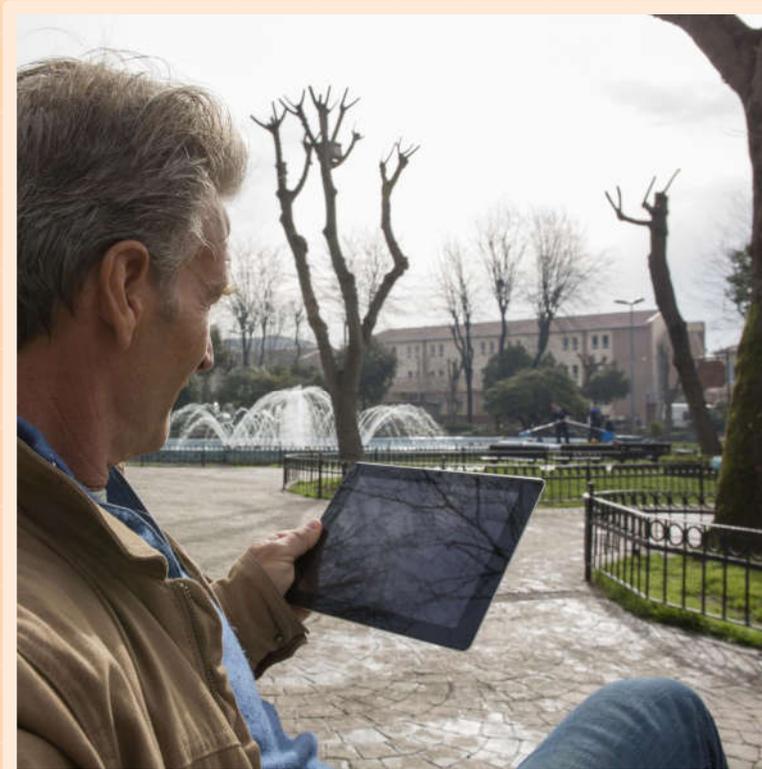
- List of actions/priorities identified in the **ward taskforce meetings**
- **Rough price list** for common works (e.g. benches, bins, repainting)
- Check a **road sweeping round**
- **COMING SOON: Check a bin**
- Option to request a **ward or park walks** with officers and partners such as Bromford
- **Clean & green online submission form**

PASSWORD: cleangreen



The screenshot shows the website page for the 'Councillor-led clean and green programme'. At the top, there is a navigation bar with a warning icon and the text 'Enter our protect your home from fires competition and win great prizes'. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home | Street cleaning, litter and graffiti | Councillor-led clean and green programme'. The main heading is 'Councillor-led clean and green programme'. A 'Contents' section lists six items: 1. Councillor-led clean and green programme, 2. How you can spend the funding, 3. Submit your projects - 30 November deadline, 4. Prices of common projects, 5. Your clean and green team, and 6. What if the funding isn't spent?. Below the contents is a paragraph of text: 'As councillors, you are the voice of our communities, regularly receiving feedback from residents about local concerns impacting how safe, cared for, and connected people feel. Issues such as broken benches, untidy land, overgrown paths, or graffiti can quickly undermine confidence in an area. Last year a series of ward task force meetings were held between councillors and the chief executive and chief operating officer to discuss key issues in their wards. Small-scale improvements to public spaces (including those not owned by LDC) was a recurrent theme. Download a word by word summary of the issues raised through the member task force meetings. You told us that you often feel powerless to help residents and to act on such issues, particularly when ownership is unclear, or where a service is not structured to respond quickly to 'non-core' tasks, and that this leads to frustration on all sides and missed opportunities to visibly improve public spaces across the district. To help address this, £75,000 of localities funding has been set aside each year for the next three years to deliver a councillor-led clean and green programme (a total of £225,000) - this equates to £3,400 per ward each year. This funding can be put towards some of the 105 actions identified through the ward taskforce meetings - a significant number of which related to upgrading public realm or parks facilities or small issues - that could make a big difference to residents in many communities, as well as other issues ward members and their constituents feel are a priority. This approach underpins the Lichfield District 2050 strategy and also aligns with the emerging community-led community safety strategy that highlights the benefits of well looked after local areas. £75,000 of localities funding has been allocated to the LDC authority for the next three years, 2024/25 to 2026/27.'

Get your bids in



- Work to identify your priority projects/areas of concern.
- If you are in a multi-ward, please team up with your ward colleagues.
- Complete the **simple online form** with:
 - Location and description
 - Why it matters – this will help us with our return to government
 - Priority level
- Contact us if you need any help to identify priorities/cost out options.
- **Submit your ward priorities by 30 November 2025.**
- We will be as flexible as we can throughout the process – but we have set a deadline as we must spend the money by 31 March 2026, or it will be returned.

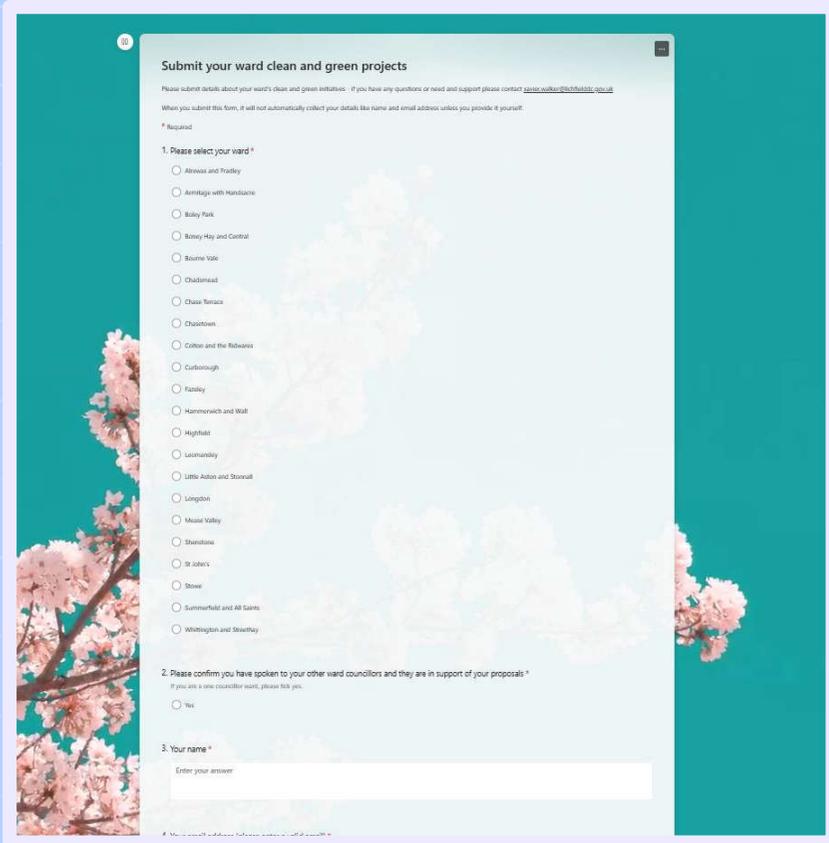
Easy online form

You'll tell us:

- *What's the issue?*
- *Where is it?*
- *Why does it matter?*
- *What's the priority?*

We'll:

- Review and triage requests within 3 working days
- Confirm who's responsible
- Give ideas on costs/options
- Schedule works or follow up with partners
- Keep you updated every step of the way



The screenshot shows a web form with a teal header and a light green background with a cherry blossom image. The form title is "Submit your ward clean and green projects". Below the title, there is a small text block: "Please submit details about your ward's clean and green initiatives. If you have any questions or need any support please contact xavier.walker@lichfielddc.gov.uk. When you submit this form, it will not automatically collect your details like name and email address unless you provide it yourself." Below this is a "Required" section. The first question is "1. Please select your ward *", followed by a list of 20 wards, each with a radio button. The second question is "2. Please confirm you have spoken to your other ward councillors and they are in support of your proposals *", with a sub-note "If you are a sole councillor ward, please tick yes." and a "Yes" radio button. The third question is "3. Your name *", with a text input field below it.

Alternatively email
xavier.walker@lichfielddc.gov.uk

What to expect



Xavier will contact you to:

- Discuss your idea/project and discuss preferred solutions.
- We'll check ownership and feasibility.
- We'll cost out options and identify suppliers.
- We'll liaise with partners (parish councils, Bromford, management companies) to get approval.
- We'll agree works with you and deliver them quickly, visibly, and collaboratively.
- **Xavier will be supported by Lyn Hunt (parks), Rich Parkes (Streetscene), Yvonne James (community safety), Nathan Fox (CCTV and lighting) and Ann Mills (housing and registered providers)**

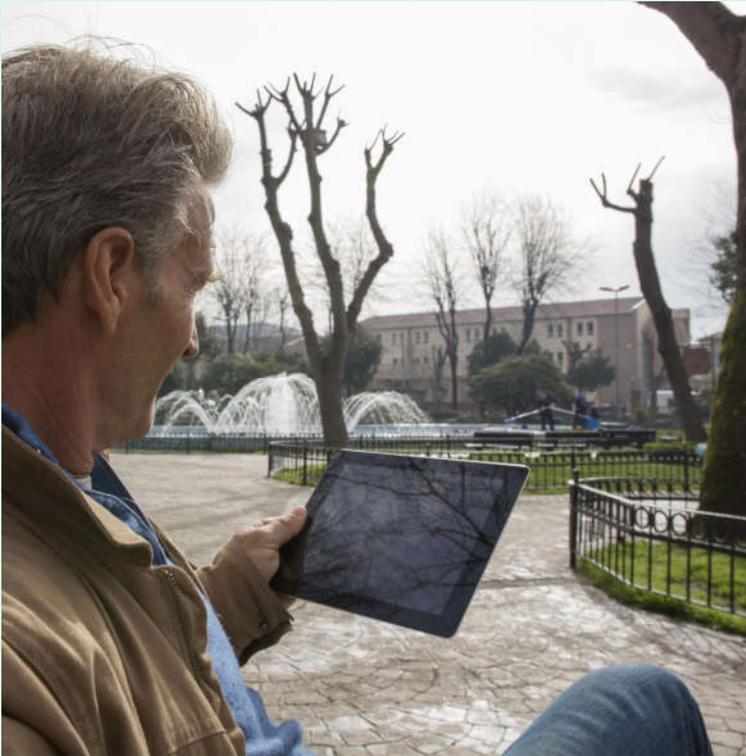
What if we don't spend the money?



We hope we won't be in this position, but if we are and we've not allocated/spent the money by February ...

- We have a list of UKSPF projects lined up that we can fund – for example access improvements in parks.
- We may also have a list of other ward projects that need a little extra funding.
- **Worry not ...** if deliverable projects in your ward are lining up nicely but won't be deliverable before 31 March 2026 (perhaps you need permission from the county and that's going to take time), we will earmark funds from the following year's pot.
- **Above all we need to ensure we spend the 2025/2026 allocation before 31 March or we will lose it!**

Outcomes & benefits



For you

- Clear, simple route to get things done
- Confidence in your community role
- Tangible results to share with residents

For your residents

- Quicker fixes for visible issues
- Improved pride and safety in your communities
- Stronger trust in the council

For the council

- Supports Lichfield District 2050 Strategy & Community Safety Strategy
- Delivers visible community benefits
- Builds partnerships and insight for future work