



**Infrastructure items which can be provided or maintained by Parish Councils  
(not exhaustive)**

<b>Infrastructure Type</b>	<b>Power &amp; Duty</b>	<b>Statutory Provision</b>
Allotments	Provision of allotments	Small Holding and Allotments Act 1908 s.23
Burial Grounds; cemeteries and crematoria	Power to acquire and maintain; Power to provide Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss.9 & 10; Local Government Act (LGA) 1972 s.214 Parish Councils and Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1970, s.1
Bins	Provision of litter bins	Litter Act 1983 ss. 5,6
Bus Shelters	Power to provide	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provision) Act 1953 s.4
Clock	Power to provide public clock	Parish Councils Act 1957, s.2
Closed Church Yards	Power to maintain	LGA 1972 , s.215
Commons and common pastures	Power in relation to inclosure, regulation and management and providing common pasture	Inclosure Act 1845; small Holdings and Allotments Act 1908, s.34
Conference facilities	Power to provide	LGA 1972 s.144
Community Centres	Power to provide and equip building for use of clubs (sport/social/educational); Power to acquire, provide and furnish community building	Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19 LGA 1972, s.133
Crime Prevention	Power to spend money on crime prevention	Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s.31
Drainage	Power to deal with ponds and ditches	Public Health Act 1936 s.260
Entertainment and the Arts	Provision of entertainment	LGA 1972 s.145
Highways	Power to repair and maintain public footpaths and bridleways Power to light roads and public places Power to provide parking places for vehicles, bikes, and motorbikes	Highways Act 1980 ss.43 & 50 Parish Councils Act 1957 s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301 Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 ss.57,63 Highways Act 1980 ss.30,

	<p>Power to enter into agreement as to dedication and widening</p> <p>Power to provide roadside seats and shelters and bus shelters</p> <p>Power to provide certain traffic signs and other notices</p> <p>Power to plant trees and maintain roadside verges</p> <p>Traffic calming – powers to contribute financially to such schemes</p> <p>Community Transport – power to spend money on community transport schemes</p>	<p>72</p> <p>Parish Councils Act 1957 s.1</p> <p>Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 s.72</p> <p>Highways Act 1980 s.96</p> <p>Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s.30</p> <p>Local Government and Rating Act 1997 ss.26-29</p>
Land	Power to acquire and dispose of land	LGA 1972 ss.124; 126; 127
Mortuaries and post mortem rooms	Power to provide	Public Health Act 1936 s.198
Open Space	<p>Power to acquire land for public recreation</p> <p>Power to acquire and maintain land for open spaces</p>	<p>Public Health Act 1875 s.164</p> <p>Open Spaces Act 1906 ss.9 and 10</p>
Public Buildings and village hall	Power to acquire and provide buildings for public meetings and assemblies	LGA 1972 s.133
Public Toilets	Power to provide	Public Health Act 1936 s.87
Recreation	<p>Power to acquire land for recreation grounds; public walks; pleasure grounds and open space; and to manage and control them.</p> <p>Power to provide a wide range of recreational facilities</p> <p>Provision of boating pools</p>	<p>Public Health Act 1875 s.164;</p> <p>LGA 1972 sch.14 para27;</p> <p>Public Health Acts Amendments Act 1890 s.44;</p> <p>Open Spaces Act 1906 ss.9 and 10</p> <p>Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19</p> <p>Public health Act 1961 s.54</p>
War Memorials	Power to maintain, repair, protect and adopt	War Memorial (Local Authorities' Power) Act 1923, s.1; as extended by Local Government Act 1948 s.133
Water Supply	Power to utilise well or spring and to provide facilities for obtaining water from them	Public Health Act 1936 s.125

