

PREFERRED SUPPLIERS For 2025/26 (updated 09.02.2026, F26_010)

Preferred supplier	Goods/services	Reason	Review/change?
Blamphayne sawmill	Wood and other materials for maintenance work	- Local - Competitive prices	No recommendation for change
Jewsons / Screwfix / B&Q / Wickes / RGB/ Toolstation	Building materials; general materials	- Account held - Competitive price	No recommendation for change
Westward Rope	BSI approved / breaking weight chain/rope/shackles/fittings for play and PPE/working equipment	- Local / Account held - Play industry experience	No recommendation for change
Greenhams	Staff and volunteer's road safety equipment / PPE	Local / Account held	No recommendation for change
Wallgate	Handwash/dryer suppliers/installers	- Account held - National	Council approval following 3 quotes. Min ref: 19/40i & 24/033.
Broxap/Playdale etc.	Brand-specific BS EN 1176 compliant fixings/fittings	- Specialist Supplier - Account held	No recommendation for change
Glasdon UK Limited	Community infrastructure – Bins, Bench etc.	Specialist Supplier	Resolution from Council to purchase bins Minute Ref 25/183
Online Playgrounds (direct)	BS EN 1176 compliant spare parts, fixings/fittings	- National - Specialist Supplier - Account held	No recommendation for change

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Alastair Guy	Playground Contractor Maintenance/inspection agreement	• Play industry experience • Specialist supplier • Original installer	No recommendation for change
NALC / DALC / SLCC	Sector-specific advice and training	• Sector Specific	No alternatives
Rhino Play	Playground Contractor Maintenance/inspection	• Specialist supplier • Original installer	For Rhino play equipment only
Playinspections UK (aka The Play Inspection Company)	Annual Play Inspections/ROSPA trainers for Inspectors qualification.	• Specialist supplier • Specialist trainer	Playinspections UK were instructed by Rhino play to carry out the post-installation inspection; we have used them to do the annual inspection for the last 2 years.
G L Jones	Brand-specific BS EN 1176 compliant fixings/fittings	• National • Specialist Supplier • Account held	No recommendation for change
Stadia Sports / Net World Sports	Pitch Furniture Sports equipment	• Competitive Price • Account held • Excellent customer service	No recommendation for change
HPS Signs	Banners, notices	• Competitive price • Local company • Excellent customer service	No recommendation for change
Pattersons	Cleaning products	• Competitive price • Excellent service • Local company	No change recommended for bulk purchasing

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Maxwell Amenities /Avoncrop	Bowls green seeds, fertilisers, herbicides, fungicides etc.	Specialists	No recommendation for change
Instarmac 01827 872244 A/C No: CB905	Pothole repair material Prices similar, stock availability varies. Useful to have two suppliers to choose from.	- Specialists - DCC approved suppliers	No alternatives under Community Road Warden Scheme (see below)
Viafix		- New product - Trial approved by DCC	
Buy It Direct & Subsidiaries	I.T & Office Equipment	- Price - Returns service - Account	No recommendation for change
Brightsea Press	Broadsheet and COMMS printing	- Local - Account held - Flexible / meets deadlines - Price match	Alternative quotes obtained Autumn 2018 were considerably higher than this supplier
Mole Valley Farmers	Maintenance materials	- Local - Account held - Flexible / meets deadlines - Price match	No recommendation for change
JM Crang	Fencing Contractors	- Local - Flexible / meets deadlines	New Supplier Jan 24
Bookers/Makro/Bestway Cash and Carry	Bulk food bank supplies Cleaning products	- No restriction on bulk items during Covid pandemic - Value for money	Recommended for change, to take off Booker and add Bestway C&C

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Tesco/Asda/Sainsburys	Food bank shopping	• Local • Value for money through offers	No recommendation for change
One Life training	In-house statutory training (i.e. EFaW).	• Value for money • Delivers in-house	Added Jan 2025
Dee Thornton	In-house training (Legionella training)	• Value for money • Delivers in-house	Added Jan 2026

Summary of changes:

Add:

- The Play Inspection Company
- Glasdon
- Dee Thornton

Remove:

- Booker

AGREED CONTRACTORS/SLA, For 2025/26 (01.04.2025)			
<i>Contractor/SLA</i>	<i>Goods or services provided</i>	<i>Reason / relationship with Council</i>	<i>End date</i>
K J Thulborn (T/A idVerde)	Urban highways visibility splays and safety cutting	• Local • Experienced (DCC contractors) • Fully equipped • Minimal supervision	Contract agreed annually
YMCA	3-year SLA for Youth Club provision	• Trusted provider	Ongoing SLA
South West Hygiene	Contract for Feminine hygiene services	• Local based • Minimal supervision • Competitive rates	Changed from PHS June 2018. Ongoing
Exe-Squared	Web and email hosting	• Competitive price • Excellent customer service • Local company	Ongoing
Simon Martin Accountants	Payroll services and RTI submission to HMRC	• Local, reliable • Knowledge of operational structure • Understanding of LGPS pensions	Ongoing
Argos Fire	Contract for Fire extinguishers and emergency lighting servicing and maintenance. CCTV	• Local based • Value for money	Changed from Guardian Security July 2023 due to takeover.
South West Water	Water supplier	• No alternatives currently available	
British Gas	Electric and Gas at Pavilions	• Accounts held • Best value for money at the time	Prices reviewed Summer 24

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Octopus	Electric provider at public toilets	• Best value for money • 'green' energy	ongoing
O2	Mobile phone	• Competitive deal with loyalty discount	O2 renewed July 2024 Clerk - 36 months Com Con – 24 months
Came and Company	Insurance cover (sector brokers)	• Industry expertise and knowledge • Offer 3 comparable quotes to ensure value for money	3-year LTA renewed from 07.06.2024 with Hiscox Insurance for Council
Gallagher	Insurance cover (vehicle)	• Value for money	Annual policy
Steve Jones	Registered Gas engineer; Gas and Plumbing	• Competitive price	Has not been reviewed since Covid. Recommend advertise for interest from a local plumber / gas engineer.
Devon Energy	Registered Commercial gas engineer	• Successful quote (Min ref 24/179)	Further to above recommendation – does commercial installation servicing.
Smith of Derby	5-year Contract for Parish Clock (from March 2015)	• Specialist	March 2020. Resolution to renew LTA for 5 years
National Trust	Lease with allotment	• Landowner	Ongoing
MAT Electrical	Service agreement with Devon Air Ambulance for Helipad annual checks/servicing	• No alternative	No alternative
South West Ambulance Service Trust	Supplier for and service of defibrillators and cabinet and consumables	• Local • Competitive purchase price • Carries out annual checks	No recommendation for change.

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Matt Curwood	Digger hire for Lengthsman work	• Local contractor • Chapter 8 trained • Emergency call out /CEP	Need to tender for replacement due to impending digger sale
Ben Pyne	Electrical work, emergency repairs (listed in CEP), defibrillator installation	• Local • Knows buildings layout/equipment. • Emergency call out /CEP	No recommendation for change
EDDC	Refuse and dog waste collections	• District Authority	Ongoing
J&A Security Systems	CCTV – installation and servicing	• Local • Competitive purchase price	Ongoing
Hydro-X	Legionella and water compliance	• Local • 3 quotes process to award contract • Best value	Council resolution 13.05.24, Min. Ref 24/063
Martinsfield Farm Enterprises	Contracting works as required (NB. Related party transaction. Ed Rhodes, Martinsfield Farm tenant farmer, is an elected Member of the Council)	• Local • Competitive rate • Availability • Emergency call out/CEP	Council resolution 13.05.24, Min. Ref 24/065iv
Heaver Bros Ltd	Truck maintenance and MOT	• Local, competitive rate	Ongoing
Binit	Refuse service	• Local, competitive rate	Ongoing
Hydrologic	Telemetry gauge	• No alternative (grant identified provider)	Ongoing
Enviro-Tec	Drain clearance	• Local; excellent response.	Ongoing
Worknest	HR and HSE advice and support packages 5 year SLA from May 2024	• 3 quotes process to award contract • Best value	Council resolution 13.05.24, Min. Ref 24/064
DCW Polymers	Recycled street furniture	• 3 quotes process to identify supplier • Best value	Council resolution, Min. Ref 23/091ii
Bubbles	Public toilet cleaners (Clerks delegation)	• Holiday cover; matched price.	Council resolution 13.01.25, Min. Ref 25/016

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Alpha Cleanse	Office and public toilet cleaner.	• Matched price • Previous cleaner left	(Clerks delegation)
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Proposed:

Seconded:

Vote record: