Infrastructure items which can be provided or maintained by Parish Councils

Infrastructure Type	Power and Duty	Statutory Provision
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	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss.9 & 10;
	Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials	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	Highways Act 1980 ss.43 & 50
	public footpaths and bridleways	Parish Councils Act 1957 s.3;
	bhuleways	Highways Act 1980, s.301
	Power to light roads and public places	Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 ss.57,63
	Power to provide parking places for vehicles, bikes, and motorbikes	Highways Act 1980 ss.30, 72
		Parish Councils Act 1957 s.1
	Power to enter into agreement as to dedication and widening	Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984 s.72
	Power to provide roadside seats and shelters and bus	Highways Act 1980 s.96 Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s.30
	Power to provide certain traffic signs and other notices	Local Government and Rating Act 1997 ss.26-29
	Power to plant trees and maintain roadside verges Traffic calming – powers to contribute financially to such schemes	
	Community Transport – power to spend money on community transport schemes	
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	Power to acquire land for public recreation	Public Health Act 1875 s.164 Open Spaces Act 1906 ss.9 and
	Power to acquire and maintain land for open spaces	10
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	Power to acquire land for recreation grounds; public walks; pleasure grounds and open space; and to manage and control them. Power to provide a wide range of recreational facilities Provision of boating pools	Public Health Act 1875 s.164; LGA 1972 sch.14 para27; Public Health Acts Amendments Act 1890 s.44; Open Spaces Act 1906 ss.9 and 10 Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19 Public health Act 1961 s.54
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

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