

Statement to Corporate PDS Panel – 19th November 2024

2025/26 Budget – Will Peasedown St John be included?

Dear Panel Members,

Each year we see millions of pounds being spent on numerous projects across the local authority.

All of which are carried out with the desire to invest in our communities and to improve the quality of life of our residents.

We are grateful that the council uses a budget setting and discussion process that allows all councillors to contribute and make representations on behalf of their constituents.

It's for this very reason that we're submitting this statement, and these items for consideration in the 2025/26 council budget.

Each week, we spend time out in the community knocking on doors, meeting residents, and finding out what their desires and aspirations are for Peasedown St John.

This is their 'wish list' for the forthcoming council budget:

- *£50,000 for Bath Road pavements resurfacing*
- *£50,000 for pedestrian crossing on Orchard Way*
- *£7,000 for Dunkerton Hill/Ashgrove speed limit reduction*
- *£10,000 for additional trees in Orchard Way*
- *£50,000 to resurface Old Keel's Hill*
- *£60,000 to resurface Braysdown Lane (A367 by-pass to Braysdown Allotments)*
- *£30,000 to resurface Whitebrook Lane (PSJ Cricket Club to Camerton Cattery)*
- *£100,000 to upgrade 5 bus stops (each having a new shelter, plus real-time information screens)*

Please do consider these financial requests from Peasedown St John residents for the 2025/26 council budget.

Yours,

Cllr Karen Walker and Cllr Gavin Heathcote

Independents, Peasedown St John