

Recommendation to Consider Installing a Litter Bin at Moonshill Close

Background

Last year the Parish Council installed boulders around the edge of Moonshill Green to create more of an open space for residents to use for recreational space.

This has become very popular and the Council has received several requests to install a litter bin within the area as rubbish is being left behind and making the area unsightly.



Litter Bin

Somerset Council currently empty the litter and dog waste bins within the area, so any new bin would need to comply with their specifications and their preferred supplier is Glasdon.

There are several variations which also vary in prices, the suggested version would be the Topsy 65 Litter Bin & Express Deep Bin with a Steel Liner at a cost of **£150.90 including VAT.**



There is a slightly cheaper version with a Sack Retention, but as the bin is in an open space the litter cannot be monitored and the Steel Liner will stop the rubbish being spilt across the ground when the bin is emptied and the bag removed.



Since April 1st 2025 Somerset Council are now charging Town and Parish Council for the cost of emptying litter bins at £6.50 per bin per empty, the bins are emptied weekly, so an annual cost would be an extra **£338** to the agreement already in place with Somerset Council

Somerset Council have been contacted regarding the emptying of an addition bin within the village, and confirmation has been received stating the bin emptying could be added into the schedule and are happy with the bin suggested.

There is a budget item for Village Maintenance (P8.2) with an amount of £2,000, no costs have yet been allocated to this cost item.

Recommendation

To install a litter bin at Moonshill and add the additional costs for emptying the bin on a weekly basis.