

Function Powers & Duties Statutory Provisions

Access land:	Power to enforce byelaws made by another authority. <i>Countryside and Rights of Way Act 2000, s. 17</i>
Allotments:	Duty to provide allotments. Power to improve and adapt land for allotments, and to let grazing rights. <i>Small Holdings & Allotments Act 1908, ss. 23, 26, and 42</i>
Baths and huts washhouses:	Powers relating to provision of public baths, washhouses and bathing. <i>Public Health Act 1936, ss. 221 - 223 and 225 - 227</i>
Burial grounds:	Power to acquire and maintain, Power to provide, Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials Power to contribute towards expenses of cemeteries. <i>Open Spaces Act 1906, Ss 9 and 10; Local Government Act 1972, s. 214; Parish Councils and Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1970, s. 1 Local Government Act 1972, s. 214(6)</i>
Bus shelters:	Power to provide and maintain shelters. <i>Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953, s. 4</i>
Bye-laws:	Power to make bye-laws in regard to pleasure grounds: Cycle parks: Baths and washhouses: Open spaces and burial grounds, Mortuaries and post-mortem rooms: <i>Public Conveniences Public Health Act 1875, s. 164: Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s.57(7): Public Health Act 1936, s.223: Open Spaces Act 1906, ss.15 and 12: Public Health Act 1936, s.198: Public Health Act 1936, s. 87:</i>
Clocks:	Power to provide public clocks. <i>Parish Councils Act 1957, s.2</i>
Closed churchyards:	Powers as to maintenance. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.215</i>
Commons:	Power for parish council to contribute to expense relating to scheme for the regulation and management of a common. <i>Commons Act 1899, s.5</i>
Common pastures:	Powers in relation to providing common pasture. <i>Smallholdings and Allotments Act 1908, s.34</i>
Conference facilities:	Power to provide and encourage the use of facilities. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.144</i>
Community centres:	Power to provide and equip buildings for use of clubs having athletic, social or recreational objectives. <i>Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19</i>
Crime prevention:	Powers to install and maintain equipment and establish and maintain a scheme for detection or prevention of crime. <i>Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s.31</i>

Drainage:	Power to deal with ponds and ditches. <i>Public Health Act 1936, s.260</i>
Entertainment/Arts:	Provision of entertainment and support of the arts. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.145</i>
Financial assistance:	Duty to require information. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.137A</i>
General powers:	Power to incur expenditure for certain purposes. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s. 137</i>
Gifts:	Power to accept. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.139</i>
Highways:	Power to maintain footpaths and bridle-ways: Power to light roads and public places: Provision of litter bins: Powers to provide parking places for bicycles and motor-cycles, and other vehicles: Power to enter into agreement as to dedication and widening: Power to provide roadside seats and shelters: Consent of parish council required for ending maintenance of highway at public expense, or for stopping up or diversion of highway: Power to complain to highway authority as to unlawful stopping up or obstruction of highway or unlawful encroachment on roadside wastes: Power to provide traffic signs and other objects or devices warning of danger: Power to plant trees and lay out grass verges etc. and to maintain them. <i>Highways Act 1980, ss.43,50, Parish Councils Act 1957 s.3; Highways Act 1980, s.301; Litter Act 1983, ss.5,6; Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, ss.57,63; Highways Act 1980, ss.30,72; Parish Councils Act 1957, s.1; Highways Act 1980, ss.47,116; Highways Act 1980, s.130; Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s.72; Highways Act 1980, s.96</i>
Investments:	Power to participate in schemes of collective investment Trustee. <i>Investments Act 1961, s.11</i>
Land Power:	to acquire by agreement, to appropriate, to dispose of. Power to accept gifts of land. <i>Local Government Act 1972, ss.124, 126, 127; Local Government Act 1972, s.139</i>
Litter:	Provision of receptacles. <i>Litter Act 1983, ss.5,6</i>
Lotteries:	Powers to promote. <i>Lotteries and Amusements Act 1976, s.7</i>
Mortuaries and post mortem rooms:	Powers to provide mortuaries and post mortem rooms. <i>Public mortem Health Act 1936, s.198</i>
Parish documents:	Powers to direct as to their custody. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.226</i>
Public buildings and village hall:	Power to provide buildings for public meetings and assemblies. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.133</i>

Public conveniences:	Powers relating to provision of public conveniences. <i>Public Health Act 1936, s.87</i>
Recreation:	Power to acquire land for or to provide public walks, pleasure grounds and open spaces and to manage and control them; Power to provide gymnasiums, playing fields, holiday camps; Provision of boating pools. <i>(see Local Government Act 1972, Sched.14 para.27): Public Health Act 1875, s.164: Public Health Acts Amendment 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</i>
Town and country Planning:	Right to be notified of planning applications. <i>Town and Country Planning Act 1990, Sched.1, para.8</i>
Tourism:	Power to encourage visitors and provide conference and other facilities. <i>Local Government Act 1972, s.144</i>
Traffic calming:	Powers to contribute financially to traffic calming schemes. <i>Highways Act 1980, s.274A</i>
Transport:	Powers in relation to car-sharing schemes, taxi fare concessions and information about transport; Powers to make grants for bus services. <i>Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s.26, 28 and 29; Transport Act 1985, s.106A</i>
War memorials:	Power to maintain, repair, protect and alter war memorials. <i>War Memorials (Local Authorities' Powers) Act 1923, s.1; as extended by Local Government Act 1948, s.133</i>
Water supply:	Power to utilise well, spring or stream and to provide facilities for obtaining water from them. <i>Public Health Act 1936, s.125</i>