

Emma Freemantle

From: Louise Della Mura <LDellaMura@swindon.gov.uk>
Sent: 04 March 2026 07:33
To: Emma Freemantle
Subject: RE: common farm grounds maintenance enquiry

Hi Emma,

Thanks for your message. Having initially made enquiries with the parishes we aren't currently pursuing the grounds maintenance for the solar farms as this is currently covered by our existing contract for operations and maintenance, and the sites are it turns out quite tricky, and not really suitable for standard ground maintenance equipment due to the placement of the strings connecting the solar panels.

I am hoping to get better acquainted with the sites and can better advise in future if our requirements change.

Thanks for your interest and for coming back to us.

Louise Della Mura

She/her

Climate and Energy Manager

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From: Emma Freemantle <clerk@wroughton.gov.uk>
Sent: 03 March 2026 12:10
To: Louise Della Mura <LDellaMura@swindon.gov.uk>
Subject: FW: common farm grounds maintenance enquiry

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Dear Louise

I'm not sure if you ever managed to get back to my colleague Cathy below however unfortunately Cathy no longer works for the parish council.

The parish council are interested in learning more about the maintenance requirements for the Common Farm Grounds Maintenance – could you provide the following information please so we may consider further? It may also be worth a site visit with staff from SBC who are aware of what work is involved.

- 1) What is the current staff level for this maintenance ?
- 2) Are you able to share staff pay details or estimates and a job spec?
- 3) Frequency of maintenance ?
- 4) Scale of area which requires assistance – are there any maps available?
- 5) The parish council would not be in a position to carry out maintenance of tress however would be happy to consider grass cutting / strimming etc.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss further over the phone, thank you.

Kind Regards,

Emma Freemantle
Clerk to the Parish Council



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From: Cathy Martyn <deputyclerk@wroughton.gov.uk>

Sent: 14 October 2025 10:04

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Cc: Emma Freemantle <clerk@wroughton.gov.uk>; Groundsteam <wroughtonparishcouncil@gmail.com>

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Hi Louise,

We're definitely interested. Please can you forward the job spec and the amount you'd pay so that we can assess it properly. Thankyou.

Cathy

Cathy Martyn (she/her)
Deputy Clerk

From: Louise Della Mura <LDellaMura@swindon.gov.uk>
Sent: 10 October 2025 09:03
To: Emma Freemantle <clerk@wroughton.gov.uk>
Subject: common farm grounds maintenance enquiry

Hello Emma,

My name is Louise Della Mura, I am the Climate and Energy Manager for Swindon Borough Council. One of the areas we look after is the Common Farm solar farm which is within the Wroughton Parish.

We are looking into costs for grounds maintenance at the solar farms and wondered if this may be something that the Parish might want to quote for so that we can keep the resources local and keep revenue within Swindon.

If this is something that your grounds maintenance team may be able to assist with please let me know what level of detail you may require to take this forward.

I hope to hear from you soon.

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