



Community Facilities

At-A-Glance Resource Sheet

The following information is provided on a best endeavour basis and interpreted by the GHRA after discussions with GHVDC. It is important to note that unless stated otherwise, any information provided comes with no assurances, guarantees or commitments by GHVDC. As a result, the document is provided only as a guideline. It is hoped that, ultimately, GHVDC will formally adopt and update the document themselves or provide an equivalent.

N.B. The reflected red/amber/green status reflects progress to the current expectation and does NOT reflect historical expectation. Green indicates a reasonable confidence level of progress to the given expected date, whilst amber indicates that work is scheduled or in progress but there are issues that may affect delivery. A red status indicates that unknowable factors affect delivery.

	Expected Date	Owner	Comment
Allotments	2029 – 2030	GHVDC	To be provided as part of Stage 2 Phase 3 subject to planning consent. S106 indicates delivery by 1000 occupations.
Amenity Spaces (Stage 1)	Q1 2026	GHVDC	Open and available. Currently, under maintenance paid for by GHVDC, Sign-off and handover works to CDC underway.
Block A5 & A6 Retail Units (opposite Wine Valley & Esquires)	>2026	GHVDC	GHVDC had planned to commence work last year but currently on hold due to market conditions. Development not anticipated to be completed in 2026/27 financial year. Situation could change if conditions improve. GHRA pursuing clarification.
Bus Service	>2032	OCC	Bus route is available at village centre. Stagecoach & OCC adamant that previously intended route to west of site is economically unviable and will harm existing route. Route will though be directed through eastern side of Stage 2 development.
Community Centre	2H 2027	GHVDC / CDC / GHRA	Resident Working Group in partnership with CDC to pursue community-led design. CDC fully onboard with delivery commitment in 2026/27 "Annual Delivery Plan". August date for land transfer with planning application around same time.
Community Orchard	2030	GHVDC	Open and available. Formal handover expected with completion of Stage 2 development at Foundation Square.
Eaves Road link to Foundation Sq	2028 - 2030	GHVDC	Eaves Road link to be delivered as part of Stage 2 Phase 3 subject to planning consent. Unclear if only open to construction traffic to start with.
Extra Care Facility (private)	2H 2026	LNT Care Dev.	Work underway and good progress being made. Facility being built near the entrance to the site off Anniversary Avenue.
Extra Care Facility (public)	2H 2027	GHVDC	No progress. CDC have not found a buyer and operator for the facility. CDC looking to modify the offering. Facility is intended to be built on open land between the school and Tancred Grove.

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Gateway Park	Q1 2026	GHVDC	After long delays, the blocking issue being debated by CDC and GHVDC has finally been resolved and there are now no further obstacles. Ground maintenance works underway. Plinth for memorial at park entrance under construction.
Graven Hill Woods	2028	GHVDC / CDC / GHRA	Community Management Organisation (CMO) working group liaising with CDC and other parties with respect to pursuing a longer-term solution for the Woods. CDC and GHVDC favour the CMO approach.
NEAP & MUGA	2H 2027	CDC	It now looks like a Multi-Use Games Area will be provided in lieu of one of the planned football pitches. Progress is linked to Community Centre & Sports Grounds efforts, as it is for the Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play (children <15yrs).
Nursery	>2026	Co-Op	Land on Graven Hill Rd next to apartment block owned by Co-Op. Discussion with Co-Op late in Q4 suggested situation being reviewed in Q1 with a view to starting development in 2026. See GHRA website for November blogpost on the subject.
Perimeter Access Road (leading to Foundation Square)	>2030	GHVDC / Leda	Access road crosses land owned by Leda. Hopeful of arrangement between GHVDC and Leda being made permanent, but ultimately a decision for the landowner.
Play areas (stage 1)	Q1 2026	GHVDC	Open and available. Currently, under maintenance paid for by GHVDC, Sign-off and handover works to CDC underway.
Pub / Restaurant	2034	GHVDC	GHVDC continue to seek a buyer but there has unfortunately been little in the way of commercial interest. Still being pursued.
Public Art	2032	GHVDC / CDC / GHRA	There is a provision in the S.106 for public art. There is no reason why the allocated funds should not be spent at Graven Hill, although there are currently no proposals in the pipeline.
Sports Grounds	2029	GHVDC / CDC / GHRA	Being pursued in tandem with the Community Centre. CDC currently exploring using resident-suggested contractor to confirm draining slope in working group plan is sufficient. Final portion of S.106 funds to be provided in August.
Walking / Cycling Route (Tesco – BR18)	>2027	OCC	The route to Lakeview Drive & Tesco is part of the OCC active travel plan called Bicester Route 18. It is though dependent on both developer plans & s.106 funds being made available. OCC say recent Bicester Arc planning outline is promising.
Walking / Cycling Route (Wendlebury)	Unlikely	MOD / OCC	Although a crossing was not shown in the Stage 2 application, the MOD placed what seems to be a definitive objection to the suggestion of a crossing across their railway line. OCC suggest there may be flexibility, but currently this seems unlikely.

S.106 information can be found at <https://modgov.cherwell.gov.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=59566>