

Meeting	Parks and Open Spaces Committee
Date	11 th April 2023
Report Title	Head of POST and Tidy Up Report
Agenda Reference	10
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Officer Recommendations

1. To note the contents of the report.

Daily Work Sheets – March 2023

Tasks carried forward from Feb 6 and new tasks received in March 7, bringing the total to 13. Tasks completed throughout March were 10. Carried forward to April is 3 (see below).

11.5.22	E-mail	Phoenix Gardens	Ditch between properties is overgrown
13.7.22	E-mail	Rysy Court	Manhole cover repair
23.2.23	E-mail	Downland Road	Hedgerow overgrown

Grass and Follow Up Team

Due to inclement weather the start of the mowing program has been fragmented. As of early April, it is anticipated that the program will be operating to full capacity.

Due to the fact of having brand new mowing machinery the Grass Team has drawn up an additional list of 42 areas of small and or rough terrain areas that will be maintained by the Follow Up Team. This enlarged follow up program will be monitored and when appropriate, these additional areas returned to the full mowing program.

The Grass Team is closely followed by the Follow Up Team strimming and blowing. The mini compact street sweeper will also be engaged on sweeping operations in conjunction with the mowing / follow up program. The average cycle across the parish is three weeks (weather permitting) and the schedule begins in Abbey Meads, then carries on to Haydon Wick, Moredon, Haydon End, Oakhurst.

Compact Mini Sweeper

Due to supply delays the new sweeper is due for delivery to us on 25 April 2023. The hire on the existing contract is still live until the swap over date, so the service is unaffected.

Tidy Up Team

The Tidy Up Team has continued to help bolster the post team assisting in the afternoon after the main tasks of litter and bins have been completed. Standard ongoing tasks of litter picking, bin emptying, graffiti removal, fly tipping removal and maintaining the floral planters take precedent. During the last two weeks of February there was a noticeable increase in graffiti, centred around the Haydon Wick Centre / Westfield Way.

