

Meeting	Parks & Open Spaces Committee
Date	4 th August 2026
Report Title	Parks & Projects Report
Agenda Reference	12a
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Officer's Recommendation

1. To note the report.

Background

The team continues to support the Office Team with caretaking work and Memory Café set up support at the Bowls Club every other Wednesday.

The adjustment of bin heights is ongoing, with 36 bins adjusted to date. The Tidy Up Team is benefiting ergonomically from these changes, and we hope to complete all adjustments by the end of 2026.

The team continue to support various events organised by the HWPC offices.

Paperless Reporting System

The team has been completing inspections using the new app, which is working well. This is also helping to build a large database and inspection history.

We are sourcing prices for a new iPad to enhance and improve the efficiency of park inspections.

Various play park surface repairs have been completed during the dry weather, and we intend to continue this work throughout the summer months.

Completed Tasks

Location	Tasks Completed, June/July	Date Completed
Primrose Play Area	Surface pressure wash	10/06/26 13/06/26
Ryse court	Removed broken bench repaired and install.	09/06/26
White Eagle Gaynor Mazurek Brookfield	All the listed play areas have received hedge reduction.	15/06/26 17/06/26 18/19/06/26 15/07/26
Goodearl/ Rose walk allotments	Hedge reduction for the second occasion since spring 2026	10/07/26 23/07/26
Van	Transfer tools to new van	21/07/26-31/07/26
Mazurek KGV	Surface repairs around the slide and seesaw equipment	06/07/26 09/07/26
Office	New flag rope installed	03/07/26
GMF	Gate & fence installation at the GMF storage area	21/07/26

Working Towards

A schedule has been drawn up throughout August & September to allow the Officers to progress with their priorities to put the team in good stead for the projects to be conducted in 2026/2027

Location	Working towards	Time Scale
GMF	To arrange equipment storage, tools etc at GMF	Ongoing
Dog bins	Continue to lower bin heights throughout the parish	Ongoing
Thyme play area	Replace the two tyres on the seesaw Replace two rotten posts	September 2026
Play Areas	Continue surface pressure washing Brookfield will be next.	August/September 2026
Play Areas	Replace gate springs	Ongoing
ROSPA	Continue with ROSPA repairs from inspections	Ongoing

Looking Forward

Improve the layout in the GMF building with tools on walls and the workshop area set up for future repairs of benches, bins or play area equipment.

Continue summer with allotment & park maintenance and starting new projects.

Prepare for the new electric van delivery.