

Appendix D – Current Standards and Frequencies

Parks and Public Open Space Core Standards

| Classification of Area | Treatment | Previous Standard | 2014 Target Frequency | Achieved | Proposed Core Standards | |
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| Grass in Parks, Children's Play areas and other public open space; | Mowing. Grass clippings left on site. | 3 weeks | 2 weeks | 3 weeks | 3 weeks | |
| Highway verge -urban | Mowing. Grass clippings left on site. (Daffodil leaves only protected from mowing when planted in back 1/3 of verge) | 5 weeks | 3 weeks | 3 weeks | 3 weeks | |
| Highway verge - rural | Flail Mowing, 1m width from the highway plus visibility splay where needed for road safety. Grass clippings left on site. | 1 or 2 /year | 1 or 2 /year | 1 or 2/year | 1 or 2 /year | |
| Municipal Crickef Pitches | Rolled | 5 x /week | 1 x per week | 1 x /week | 1 x /week | |
| | Grass cuts per week: | | | | | |
| | wicket | 5 x /week | 3 x per week | 3 x /week | 3 x /week | |
| | table | 1 x /week | 1 x per week | 1 x /week | 1 x /week | |
| | outfield | 1 x /week | 1 x per week | 1 x /week | 1 x /week | |
| Municipal Bowling Greens | Drag brush, - up to | 5 x /week | 3 x /week | 3 x /week | 3 x /week | |
| | Grass cut with clippings removed | 3 x /week | 3 x /week | 3 xi week | 3 xi week | |
| | Clip edges/ clear gullies | 1 x /week | fortnightly | fortnightly | fortnightly | |
| | Scarify | 5 x /year | 2 x per year | 2 x per year | 2 x per year | |
| | Spike or hollow tine | 1 x /year | 1 x per year | 1 x per year | 1 x per year | |
| Municipal Crickef Pitches | Top dressing general | 1 x /year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year | 1 x /year | |
| | Fertiliser | 2 x /year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year | 1 x /year | |
| | Additional treatments e.g worm kill, moss kill fungicide. | No charge made | available at club's expense | available at club's expense | available at club's expense | |
| | Municipal Bowling Greens | Drag brush, - up to | 5 x /week | 3 x /week | 3 x /week | 3 x /week |
| | | Grass cut with clippings removed | 3 x /week | 3 x /week | 3 xi week | 3 xi week |
| Clip edges/ clear gullies | | 1 x /week | fortnightly | fortnightly | fortnightly | |
| Scarify | | 5 x /year | 2 x per year | 2 x per year | 2 x per year | |
| Spike or hollow tine | | 1 x /year | 1 x per year | 1 x per year | 1 x per year | |
| Municipal Crickef Pitches | Top dressing general | 1 x /year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year | 1 x /year | |
| | Fertiliser | 2 x /year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year | 1 x /year | |
| | Additional treatments (worm-kill, fungicide, moss killer, iron application,etc) | No charge made | available at club's expense | available at club's expense | available at club's expense | |

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| Croquet Pitch | As per cricket outfield | | | | |
| Football and Rugby Pitches | Walk over, divot replace and repair | 1 x/week | 1 x per week | 1 x /week | 1 x /week |
| | Mow | 1 x /week | 1 x per week | 1 x /week | 1 x /week |
| | Rolled, Slitted | Varies | 2 x per year | 2 x /year | 2 x /year |
| | Chain Harrowed | 1 x/year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year | 1 x /year |
| | Over seed worn areas | 1 x/year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year | 1 x /year |
| Municipal Cemeteries | Mowing lawned areas and main paths | 3 weeks | Fortnightly | 3 weekly but some exceptions - Bakewell/Fanny Shaw | 3 weekly |
| | Strim roundkerb edged graves | 3 weeks | Fortnightly | | Reliably at all cemeteries |
| | Dig graves within 48 hrs notice, subject to the Absence of prior bookings. | 48 hrs | 48 hrs | 48 hrs | 48 hours |
| | Top up and seed sunken graves | No target defined | Within 4 weeks of need being visible | Within 8 weeks of need being visible | Within 8 weeks of need being visible |
| | Ensure monument and headstone safety including; | Annual detailed check | Annual check and 2 weekly Visual check. | 5 yearly check and-2 weekly visual Check. | 5 yearly check and 2 weekly visual check. |
| Bracing stonework in Imminent danger of falling over. | Not done for many years | Each memorial checked every 5 years | All unstable memorials braced in 2 locations | All unstable memorials- braced in all locations | |
| Closed Churchyards | Mow lawned areas and main paths | 3 weeks | Fortnightly | 3 Weekly | 3 Weekly |
| | Mow between graves where compact tractor fits, | 3 weeks | Fortnightly | 3 Weekly | 3 Weekly |
| | Strim or spray off grass and weed growth in less accessible areas. | 3 weeks | Fortnightly | 3 Weekly | 3 Weekly |
| | Ensure monument and headstone safety. By use of warning markers on loose stonework and | Annual | All memorials inspected within 5 yrs. | Annual checks and 3 weekly visual check. | Annual checks and 3 weekly visual check. |
| | notify Church Authorities if unstable | Not done in recent years | Notify promptly | Programme commenced | Notification on an within 5 years |
| Formal beds in Parks | Bedding plants; planting out | Summer bedding | Summer bedding | Summer bedding reduced | Retain Summer bedding, |

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| | One summer planting and one planting of bulbs | Winter bedding Some spring_bulbs | and Spring bulbs | scheme only | reductions. Reduced winter bedding scheme |
| Car parks | Shrub beds Hedging Detritus removal Ditch clearance | | TBC | Detritus removed on request. Shrubs left. | Remove some shrub beds. • Clean and prune 1/year. Keep markings visible. |
| Changing rooms /pavilions | Clean out | 1 x per week | 1 x per week | 1 x per week | 1 x per week |
| Hedges/ shrubs | Cutback | 1 x per year | 1 x per year | Partially achieved | Full annual programme. |
| Litter Bins/Dog bins Includes those on streets, in parks etc | Litter/dog bins emptied: Generally Town centres Dog bins: Generally replace with full sized litter bins unless within 30 metres of full sized litter bin. Remove existing dog bins adjacent to litter bins. Post mounted litter bins: phase out in favour of full sized litter bins. | Weekly Daily | Weekly Daily | Weekly Daily Changes on schedule for completion by Dec 14 | Weekly Daily |
| Leaf Collection | Urban areas one main leaf collection | On request | 1 per year | 1 per year | 1 per year |
| Town Centre Litter - hand sweep by team | 4 main town centres | One barrow man around all day | 2 visits by mobile handswEEPing team /day | Partially achieved staff vacancies hindered this. | Reliable twice daily litter cleanse |
| Pavement Sweepers | 4 main town centres Villages (where footpaths suitable) | 1x per week On request | 2 x per week minimum 2 x per year | 2 x per week minimum 2 x per year | 2 x per week minimum 2 x per year |
| Channel | Main Arterial Roads | | 6 x per year | 3 x per year | 3 x per year |

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| sweeper | Other Main Roads | On request | 4 x per year | 1 x per year | 1 x /year |
| | Minor Roads | | 1 x per year | 0.5 x per year | 0.5 x /year |
| Litter standard - we aim to maintain the following standard the majority of the time. | Town Centres = Grade A = (no litter or refuse) Dense residential = Grade B (substantially free of litter) | No change | No change | No change | No change |
| Litter response: Litter accumulates at peak times and, when Staff observe it, or the public complain about it, we will respond as follows; | town centres residential areas Other areas | 24 hours | same working day within 24 hours within 48 hrs | same working day within 24 hours within 48 hrs | same working day within 24 hours within 48 hrs |
| Fly tipping | Respond within 24 hours 80% of time | 24 hours | 24 hours | 48 hours | 48 hours |
| Enforcement Routine Patrol | Visit and inspect every play area issuing Fixed Penalty Notices where littering and fouling offences observed. | None | 1 x per week | 1 x per week | 1 x per week |
| Enforcement Focus | Where public complaints are most intense, high visibility patrols or stakeouts. | None | Occasional | None | Weekly patrols in Parks/ Periodic patrols in "hot spots" |