

**REPORT TO: PORTCHESTER CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE
Monday 10 December 2012**

REPORT BY: THE HORTICULTURAL CONSULTANT

CREMATORIUM GROUNDS – GENERAL UPDATE

Our contractor, Brighstone Landscapes, continues to cope well with the weather conditions and has kept the work on schedule. I am very pleased with their performance.

The reformed heather bed on the north entrance continues to establish well and has been inter-planted with snowdrops to provide a spring display.

The summer bedding has been replaced and the new planting, including tulips should provide a colourful display until the late spring.

Works to the trees following the survey were started but are on hold at the moment as the wet ground conditions are preventing access.

Within the grounds six seats have been replaced; the new seats are hardwood and of a very high quality and should give in excess of twenty years service.

The rose beds at the frontage of the Brian Kidd Summer house will be replanted during the autumn this year. I have chosen free flowering heavily scented roses. The soil will be changed during this operation and soil removed will be reused within the crematorium grounds.

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*Background List of Documents –
Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 - None*

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