



REPORT TO: PORTCHESTER CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE
Monday 18th September 2017

REPORT BY: THE HORTICULTURAL CONSULTANT

CREMATORIUM GROUNDS – GENERAL UPDATE

The grounds continue to look good as we approach the end of summer.

Sadly I have to report a break in at the garage used by the contractor. This required a replacement door to be fitted. The contractor lost £3,320 of equipment consisting of hedge cutters, strimmers and some battery powered equipment used around the chapel. The Police were informed and a crime number issued.

The old door has been strengthened for now with additional bolts and a bar across the front to make it more difficult for criminals to break in.

The bedding displays have looked really good this year despite some more plant thefts, which have been reported to the Police. In the last couple of weeks the Zinnias in the conservatory bed suffered a fungal attack. A lot of plants were lost but prompt fungicide treatment by Brighstone prevented this being a total loss.

The In Bloom judging went very well and I will arrange for members to be informed of the result when we receive it.

I have ordered two types of cyclamen and some anemone bulbs for planting during the autumn under some of the trees.

Brighstone the grounds contractor continues to work well and I am very pleased with their work.

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

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