

**REPORT TO: PORTCHESTER CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE  
Monday 23 September 2013**

**REPORT BY: THE HORTICULTURAL CONSULTANT**

### **CREMATORIUM GROUNDS – GENERAL UPDATE**

The Rose beds by the Brian Kidd summer house have been better than expected - they have flowered freely. Some have blackspot which has been treated.

The gapping up of the Alpines on the rockery will take place in the spring and an order for the plants will be placed shortly.

The summer bedding has provided an excellent display, which will be replaced with spring bedding in October.

During the summer some of the grass cutting has been suspended due to a lack of growth and will resume during the week commencing 16<sup>th</sup> September.

Additional watering has been undertaken during the very dry weather particularly on the roses and shrubs that were replaced last year.

The grounds contractor Brighstone, continues to work well and I remain very pleased with their performance and the quality of their work.

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

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