

Report To Portchester Crematorium Joint Committee
Report By Acting Horticultural Consultant (Dave Stribling)
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Bedding

The winter / spring bedding has now been planted along with bulbs within the bedding schemes

Improvements

Planting of the additional bulbs throughout the gardens and bulb borders is progressing well and should be completed before this meeting.

I will shortly be ordering some shrubs and plants to replace those around the gardens that have died or require replacement.

I will be ordering some shade tolerant grass seed mix to try to re-instate the bare areas under the trees this will sown in the spring. I hope to do this in conjunction with the removal of some of the lower branches from trees in grass areas.

Any bare grass areas along path edges will be re-instated in the autumn or spring.

Rock Garden / Pond Area

Depending on funds available I will be looking to carry out a phased improvement of the rock garden area surrounding the pond.

Maintenance

I feel the general maintenance of the gardens has continued to a good standard and ongoing works are proceeding well.