

REPORT TO: PORTCHESTER CREMATORIUM JOINT COMMITTEE
Monday 24 September 2012

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CREMATORIUM GROUNDS – GENERAL UPDATE

The weather has again created difficulties with maintenance however it did settle down towards the end of summer.

Brighstone (our contractor) has coped very well with the conditions and kept the work on schedule. I am very pleased with the company's performance.

The heather bed on the North entrance continues to establish well and will be interplanted with Snowdrops in the autumn which should provide a nice display in the spring.

The summer bedding provided a reasonable display; unfortunately the wet weather caused the blooms to go over very quickly. This resulted in reduced displays and increased the amount of deadheading required. The bedding display will be replaced in October.

The areas of grass within the grounds which were renovated in April have established quite well.

Tree Survey

Works are being implemented from the tree survey. The initial works identified for 31 trees and the removal of a dead tree will be completed during the autumn.

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

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