

Iminster Town Council – Open Spaces Report
26th September 2017 (Previous report 22nd August 2017)

Work Undertaken:

- All grass amenity areas have continued to be cut.
- Playground safety inspections have been carried out each Friday.
- One-to-One development meetings were carried out between myself and the Wardens.
- The footpaths through Cleeves Close have been cut back.
- The recreation ground side of the Wharf Lane/IEF hedgerow has been cut back level to the perimeter fence.
- The Summer flowerbeds and planters have continued to be watered and fed.
- Hanging baskets have been removed from the Market Square, due to their reduced visual appearance.
- The Canal Way bus stop glass and sign have been washed down to remove dirt build up.



- Routine maintenance was carried out on the Tractor, Ride-On mower, Trimax Snake and Kioti ATV.
- Offensive graffiti was removed from the Wharf Lane skate park on two separate occasions.
- Duck weed removed from the canal by the Angling Club has been added to the compost pile at Cleeves Close.
- A large branch obstructing the Ridge Path was cleared and removed.
- New dog waste bins have been installed at Wharf Lane, Brittens Field and the Ridge Path.



- The Cemetery paths have been edged back.
- The reeds along the canal bank were cut back to ground level, following a visual survey to ensure no wildlife would be adversely affected.
- Work has now begun to clad the section of breeze block wall at the Wardens workshop.



- The work to the entrance road onto Brittons Field has now been completed.
- Pesticide spraying was carried out on the Minster Church footpaths and perimeter wall.
- A memorial bench at the Cemetery has been repaired and refurbished.
- Two Buddleia bushes in the Cemetery have been pruned to ground level
- Multiple bushes around the Cemetery have been trimmed.

- The Burma star garden was weeded and pruned.
- The new cable fitted to the Wharf Lane Aerial Runway was retensioned, as per GB Sport & Leisure's instructions.
- Work on the Toilet Block has progressed well. The roof work is now complete and the scaffolding has been removed. Wardens have regularly strimmed the grass within the Harris fencing area.



Work Plans:

- Carry out wet pour safety surface repairs.
- Clear the scrub from the lower section of Cleeves Close using the Mechanical Flail.
- Enquire and obtain three quotes for the cutting of the Brittens Field and Wharf Lane hedges.
- Cut back remaining bushes at the Cemetery.
- Clear back bushes and remove scrub from the area at the top of North Street.
- Finish the Autumn pruning at the Burma Star memorial garden and replace the old chippings for new, in preparation for Remembrance services.
- Continue to work to maintain access on Herne Hill as weather conditions worsen.
- Open Spaces Team to attend Appraisal Training, then plan and carry out annual appraisals.
- Design and order Herne Hill interpretation boards.
- Carry out tree work where required to remove low branches.
- Collect and compost fallen leaves from recreation grounds as Autumn sets in.