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**Report To:** Full Council **Date:** 25 March 2024

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**Subject:** Services Update

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**1. Services Work Completed (4 weekly update)**

1.1 During the last four weeks, the team completed the following:

- Path edging in Toothill
- Routine play inspections
- Graffiti removal – litter bins
- Installed new bins at Mannington
- Installed a new bin at Orin Close, Sparcells
- Litter picking on main roads and pathways for grass cutting season

1.2 Play improvement work has been undertaken including

- Cleaned drains at Claypits
- Raised the zipwire at Camden Close
- New fence panels installed at Shelfinch
- Cleaned Oliver Close play area
- Repaired play area signs
- Repairs to roundabouts

1.3 **Project Work**

The team have completed

- Removal of vegetation encroaching on play areas
- Created a community pantry cupboard
- Two staff completed tractor training and are also learning how the tractor parts are added, maintained and adjusted

1.4 **Income Generation:**

Payment for roundabout maintenance £2529.15

1.5 **Requests for Service:**

The team have received a range of requests from the public, mostly broken glass, and queries on community growing/allotments

1.6 **Land ownership**

- a) Resident clarification Marney Road
- b) Resident clarification Bosworth Road

1.7 **Cross Parish Support - None**

## **2. Services Work (April 2024)**

2.1 For April the focus will be as follows:

- Starting grass cutting - this involved 6-8 members of the team and will be useful way of the staff who have undertaken tractor training to test out their skills and gain confidence. The first cuts are usually difficult due to the conditions and the length of grass. The team will aim to minimise complaints about grass on pavements/torn litter.
- Premises - Fire system review

### **2.2 Play Maintenance**

Routine inspections and repairs

Note the Parish Council changes to twice weekly inspections from Easter to October.

### **2.3 Planting**

Grass cutting will avoid visible bulbs/daffodils until die back. New planting may be delivered for Summer beds and containers. No date agreed as et.

### **2.4 Village Centre Maintenance**

Prepare planting scheme for Shaw VC and Freshbrook - Spring/Summer Aim to add extra floral planting to Toothill VC.

### **2.5 Bins and Flytipping**

Business as usual. Will cover the Easter bank holiday weekend with an extra empty on priority bins.

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