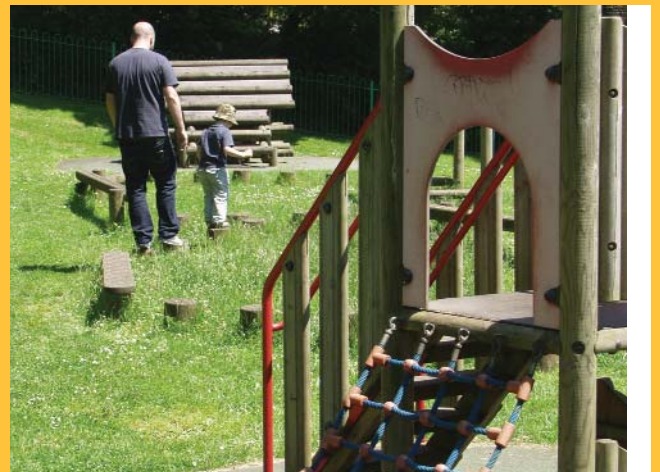




GREENSPACES MANAGEMENT 3-year Strategy

Routine Management & Improvement Plan covering the 25 sites owned and/or managed by Stroud Town Council.

A three-year plan to run from financial year 2009/10 - 2011/12



THE NEW CEMETERY:

ROUTINE

Grass is cut every fortnight in summer, other times as required,

Hedge pruning and tree maintenance as required.

The staff do the majority of the work with the ride on mower and have the whole job done to a high standard in one day.

Areas maintained include the new lower paddock and more areas in the old section near the entrance.

Daily rubbish tidy all year

Mowing height - 70mm year round due to uneven surface.

THE OLD CEMETERY:

ROUTINE

Main lawn and all pathways below the chapel - cut weekly in summer

All other pathways and access tracks - fortnightly in summer

Other times as required, hedge pruning and tree maintenance as required.

Path cutting to specific graves on request.

This site previously maintained 'as required'

Daily rubbish tidy all year

Mowing height - 65mm sum' & 45mm wint

DAISY BANK:

ROUTINE

Main lawn cut weekly in summer

Edges strimmed and playground mowed fortnightly in summer

Playground sand raked 3 times a week in school holidays, twice a week at other times.

Playground safety inspection weekly.

This site previously maintained 'as required'

Daily rubbish tidy all year

Mowing height - 65mm summer & 45mm winter

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Work with SDC to prepare for removal of kerbs

Top dressing of graves

Roadway and associated works to new burial area inc new hedge along paddock edge.

Consult and implement new regulations

2010/11

Removal of kerbs

Opening of new paddock area

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Work as per management plan

Decide on central sycamore

Establish new beds at garden of remembrance

Replace felled conifers by upper lodge with specimens elsewhere

2010/11

Work as per management plan

Restoration of key historic graves

2011/12

Work as per management plan

Restoration of key historic graves

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Paint railings

2010/11

New access path from top of Daisy Bank to play area

Renew sand

Work with SDC to install steps from cemetery

BANK GARDENS:

ROUTINE

Mowed and strimmed weekly in summer, other times as required.

Garden bed maintenance as time allows

This site previously maintained 'as required'

Daily rubbish tidy all year

Mowing height - 40mm summer and 30mm winter

PARK GARDENS:

ROUTINE

Mowed and strimmed weekly in summer, other times as required.

Garden bed maintenance as time allows, other times as required.

Playground safety inspected weekly

This site previously maintained 'as required'

Daily rubbish tidy all year

Mowing height - 65mm summer and 45mm winter

UPLANDS PLAYING FIELD:

ROUTINE

Main pitch mowed by contractors, line marking done by us as requested.

Playground surrounds mowed and strimmed fortnightly, other times as required.

Playground inspected weekly, softfall raked weekly (soon to be replaced with new playground)

Daily rubbish tidy all year

This site previously maintained 'as required'

Mowing height - 65mm summer and 45mm winter

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Work with SDC on replacement of shed & paving / path near High Street entrance

Secure funding for ornamental railings with SDC

Removal of triangular beds/ mulch strip beneath terrace/ fill-in and revamp existing beds

Bulb planting

2010/11

Replace shed & new paved area High St entrance

Fern bed part 1 / fill-in and revamp existing beds

Bulb planting

2011/12

Library bed

Fern bed part 2 & arid bed by Space

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Summer Pnating and replant central bed repair low wall leading to shelter

Rebuild flood damaged wall on Slad Road

Knock out side walls of shelter

Install entrance arch - bulb planting

2010/11

Long border replant & bulb planting

2011/12

Rear brick wall cover up & bulb planting

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Complete and officially open Muga & remove plastic fenced area

2010/11

Bulb planting

TOWN CENTRE:

(top of High St, police play area,)

ROUTINE

Weekly inspection of play equipment and maintenance as required

These sites previously maintained 'as required'

Daily rubbish tidy all year

ST. LAURENCE CHURCHYARD:

ROUTINE

Strimmed weekly in summer, other times as required.

This site previously maintained 'as required'

Daily rubbish tidy all year

SWIFTS HILL TRIANGLE:

ROUTINE

Mowed and tidied once a month.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCHYARD:

ROUTINE

Strimmed and tidied monthly.

SUMMER ST BY-WAY & OPENSACE

ROUTINE

Four times yearly mow and tidy according to Residents' Association plan.

THE LONG GROUND

ROUTINE

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Bed at foot of Cornhill for Stroud in Bloom

Replant bed at top of High Street

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Work with SDC and residents on funding bid for new play equipment. Draw up own scheme along with management agreement if bid is unsuccessful

2010/11

New hedge on boundary with woodland

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Consult with residents and draw-up and implement interim management plan

2010/11

Implement management plan

THE LEAZES PLAYING FIELD:

ROUTINE

Main lawn mown by contractors

Playground surrounds mowed and strimmed fortnightly, other times as required.

Playground safety inspection weekly

Daily rubbish tidy all year

Mowing height - 65mm summer and 45mm winter

THE CHUR:

ROUTINE

Weekly litter pick and mowed and strimmed monthly in summer. Other times & pruning as required.

LOWER STREET TREES

ROUTINE

Monthly sweep and tidy

SIMM'S MEMORIAL CLOCK

ROUTINE

Monthly sweep and tidy.

Annual service of clock

Weekly clock winding and time correction.

PARLIAMENT ST BURIAL GROUND

ROUTINE

Monthly mow of grass, litter pick and sweep path

TRINITY POCKET PARK

ROUTINE

Local residents to manage site with Stroud Valleys Project as previously. Weekly safety checks by STC.

GENERAL

ROUTINE

Two people 'do the rounds' each day, picking up rubbish Rob has collected, emptying litter and dog bins, picking up obvious rubbish and reporting back to GS Manager if there is vandalism or damage needing immediate attention.

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Tree planting scheme scheme

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Revamp area as agreed with residents

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Agree a Tree Planting Strategy for all our greenspaces

2010/11

Implement Tree Planting Strategy

THE FOOTPATHS

The footpaths are done in rotation from a list as time allows. Approximately one day a fortnight is put aside for this. If we receive a specific request or complaint we aim to do the work within 24 hours.

THE ALLOTMENTS

The council also owns five allotment sites in the town. These are managed by the individual allotment associations on a day-to-day basis. The council however considers capital improvements and major repairs to the sites on an annual basis as part of its budget process.

BISLEY OLD ROAD

SUMMER STREET, SPIDER LANE, GANNICOX & UPLANDS

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10 - 2011/12

Implement agreement with GCC from Footpath Strategy inc new stiles, signposts & waymarks.

IMPROVEMENTS

2009/10

Widen one pedestrian gate

Document approved by Stroud Town Council May 2009.
Progress to be reviewed by the council's Recreation & Finance Committee on a bi-annual basis.

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