

PARKS REPORT
RLA – 20 SEPTEMBER 2018

- **Swanscombe Park:**

The preparation works for the painting of the containers in the old putting area has begun.

Unfortunately the preparation for the re-planting of the old rose beds has been delayed due to the unsuitable planting conditions and the exceptionally hot summer. This will now be undertaken as soon as is possible.

- **Broomfield:**

As previously agreed, and as part of the Annual Safety Inspection, the see-saw in the children's play area has been replaced.

Cricket season has ended and Swanscombe & Greenhithe 1880 Cricket Club have won their league for the second season in a row and complimented the Town Council on the pitch provided.

Weed management has been undertaken (spraying by contractor).

Swanscombe Tigers FC have held a "Fun Day" for their club and they have also held a charity football match to raise funds for various causes including the victims of the recent house fire.

The football season has begun.

As previously agreed the dead prunus (cherry) tree is scheduled to be replaced in the very near future.

- **Knockhall:**

Weed management has been undertaken (spraying by contractor).

The football season has begun.

Preparation and painting of the changing rooms (external) has been completed.

A leak under the changing rooms has been repaired and will be monitored by the Parks Staff.

Clearance of the access way adjacent to, and behind, The Flats has begun and will continue.

As previously agreed the replacement of the litter bins and the benches has begun.

The notice board was recently vandalized and is the subject of an insurance claim.

- **Heritage Park:**

The vandalized kissing gate at the top of the steps (Childs Crescent) has been repaired.

The tractor has been used to clear an area (beyond the football pitches) for depositing cuttings and shrubs.

Management for the Heritage Park, as required by the Visual Management Plan – Natural England (clearing, pruning specific areas) has begun and will be ongoing.

- **Grove Hall:**

The Town Council n participated in the Dartford Science & Technology College Community Day on 18 July 2018 and, with the assistance of the KCC Community Warden the front of the hall was painted and a litter pick was also undertaken.

- **General**

All the outdoor cinema events, Children's Summer Entertainment Programme and Summer of Sports 2018 have been successfully concluded.

- **Staff**

Employee 66 is due to complete their probationary period on 26 September 2018.

Since the previous meeting there have been 26 days annual leave, 4.4 days sick leave and 1 Bank Holiday.

Recommended: To note.

December 2018				
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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