

**TAVISTOCK TOWN COUNCIL
WORKS MANAGEMENT REPORT**

1. Works Department

Property Maintenance

By way of an update regarding the Pannier Market glass door remedial repairs which the Works Manager reported on in May, two of the four doors (most urgent) were repaired prior to the Country Garden Show. The Works Manager is awaiting/actively chasing a date for the remaining works to be scheduled in by Contractors.

In preparation for the new Cemetery Lodge tenants, the Works Department undertook minor maintenance which included repairs to the secondary glazing within the property.

Following the annual service to the Town Hall Passenger Lift, remedial repairs have been commissioned and undertaken.

The outstanding issues with reference to the lighting on Drakes Statue have now been completed and so the uplighters are in working order

Grounds Maintenance

The Works Department have completed the identified works clearing overgrowth on the disused railway track on Pixon Lane. During the works, asbestos tiles were discovered. A Specialist Firm have since removed the aforementioned tiles, which totalled 112 bags.

The Works Manager is currently awaiting the installation date in respect of the new goal posts on Whitchurch Down which have been ordered.

The Community Gardner's approached the Works Department with reference to some temporary amendments made to the poly tunnel at the Cemetery to help with air flow during the warm weather.

Working in partnership with West Devon Borough Council and as part of their commitment to the scheme, watering of the newly planted trees in the Meadows will be done by WDBC every other week. TTC will water the trees in between that time in order to give the trees the best possible start. As a point of reference, the Arboricultural Association recommend 45Litres of water per week in light of the current seasonal climate.

The trees planted in the meadows last year by TTC have all been weeded and re mulched as part of their ongoing maintenance plan.

Events & Community Working Partnerships

Due to the weather we are currently experiencing, the Works Department are undertaking twice weekly watering of the Tavistock BID hanging baskets. Tavistock BID

have included three of the community planters to the watering schedule. Please note the twice weekly watering does impact on available depot resource throughout the week.

The Works Manager is in liaison with the organisers of Tavi Pride who have hired the Meadows for the first weekend in July for their annual event.

The Meadows has also been booked for two community events in July and as well as one in August. The Works Manager is pleased to see the open space being used for both commercial and community use.

The Meadows booking for the Fun Fair early June was cancelled.

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