<u>To receive a report from the Service Delivery Department and consider any actions and associated expenditure</u>

1. Cornish Hedge

This has been completed in full in February with no access into the allotments from the housing side. They have also planted the wall with hawthorn and other natural hedge plants.



2. Letter to Heaven Post Box

Since the post box has been fitted there has been 56 letters received, we collect once a week on a Wednesday.





3. No Mow May

It was agreed at a previous Services committee Meeting that the Town Council would scale back the No Mow May due to the issues this caused last year to the machinery, health & safety of the staff and time taken to cut areas following May. There will be some locations to corners and around trees that will be left. We are also looking to plant some poppy seeds to add to the cemeteries.

4. Parking Barriers

It has been noted that now the housing development is coming to completion that the parking area to Church Town cemetery is at a high level (over 3 meters) facing toward a large drop into the back gardens of the properties. While there is a hedge and low level timber barriers this may need to be considered to fit a stronger mettle barrier to avoid any future accidents with cars overshooting the parking area. See images.

Members are to consider if any action is required to make the parking area safe.







5. SD Compound Fencing

This project was completed in January this year to make the compound and store more secure and structurally sound. This was done in house by the SD Team. A very nice job done.





6. Cemetery public entrance gate.

The public gate post has broken due to it rotting at the base, this will require being dug out and a new post to be fitted. This will be done in-house via SD.



7. Bee Hives

The existing site of the bee hives are very close to the new properties, approx. 4.5 meters.

The guidance for the correct distance is 25 meters from a dwelling. Serval discussions have taken place with the bee keepers with options to move the hives to a better location still within the allotment area. See attached plan.

The bees have now been moved to an area that the keepers are happy with which is now far enough away from the houses. The existing area has been cleared and tided making it a natural part of the grounds.

We also have the option to move the hives to the opposite corner of the allotments if required. This area will need a lot of work moving a large mound of soil/allotment waist. We will be monitoring the situation over the next couple of months to see if a second move is required.



End Of Report.

Service Delivery Manager