

CAMBOURNE TOWN COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Leisure & Amenities 19th September 2023

An update on Facilities in Cambourne since 20th June 2023

6.1 BURIAL GROUND (Cambourne Cemetery)

There have been an ashes internment since the last report.

We have had a request from a stone mason in relation to a monument for an ashes plot (email attached)

It is:

RECOMMENDED that the report be received.

6.2 ALLOTMENTS

The allotment renewals were due on the 1st September we are currently in the process of issuing a holding email while we sort this out.

The intention is to inspect all allotments and send out renewal forms to those being cultivated. The plots not being cultivated will receive a letter regarding not renewing as they are not maintaining their allotment. This should enable us to clear a number of plots and offer them to those on the waiting list.

This should be done as soon as possible staff permitting.

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RECOMMENDED that the report be received.

6.3 PLAYGROUNDS, OPEN SPACES, SKATE PARK AND FOOTPATHS

Playgrounds

- Great Cambourne Play area was resurfaced early July and opened for use on the 10th August. With all the swings etc put back.
- Work is continuing on the replacement equipment in Great Cambourne Play area. The opportunity to review all the play areas and the trim trail to get a package together for grant submission. The two work experience pupils from Cambourne Village College did a lot of work on this and have collated information that is being priced. We will then hold a consultation with the users to support the grant application.

Open Spaces

- The hedge cutting has started around Cambourne and will take some time to complete.
- Grass cutting and strimming continues.
- Ongoing watering of hedge plants that were planted over the winter.
- The ground staff will shortly be going around Cambourne spraying.

Skate Park

The Skate Park continues to be well used.

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6.4 PREMISES & FACILITIES

The premises continue to be well used by regular and private hirers.

It was brought to the attention of the Council that an EICR certificate every three years. A local electrician was appointed to carry out this work. All buildings now have a current EICR certificate in place. The tests did highlight some faulty sockets, some that needed upgrading due to changes in legislation and some faulty MCB's these have all been replaced.

The Sports Pavilion:

The Dugout continues to be well supported.

The Hub

- The planters outside the Cricket Pavilions and Bowls Pavilion have been planted with new plants and flower baskets have been installed around the Hub.

The extension of the Hub is being revisited with consideration of extending on the grass adjacent to the office rather than the first floor so that the works in expanding the Hub could be carried out without closing the existing spaces minimising the impact on existing hirers.

Cricket Pavilions

The cricket club is coming to the end of their season so the pavilion is starting to be used by private parties at the weekends in addition to the regular hirers.

Blue Space

Work is ongoing on a plan for upgrading the building due to its age and usage. There is an issue with the lighting which will be covered under item 11.

Soul Building

Working with Cambourne Youth Partnership and some crowd funding we have been able to install a snack bar, this is due to be finished week beginning 18th September 2023 (Plumbing and electrics..

Sports Facilities

- The replacement movable goals purchased using a donation from Cambourne Town FC have been delivered, assembled and are now in use. The existing goal post and sockets have been removed. The new mobile goals allow the pitch layout to be changed more easily to reflect the requirements for each season.
- Original tennis/netball courts (MUGA) as previously reported the courts need resurfacing. It had been considered whether we could bind and repaint the surface, but the Company inspecting the Court stated this would be a waste of money as it would need resurfacing in up to two years.
A meeting was held with the Netball and Tennis clubs and the plan is to work together on the applications for grant funding to assist with the resurfacing.
- The tennis court by the Dentist will also need some TLC next year.
- The grounds team are due to start the close of season works on the Cricket Wicket and Bowls Green week beginning 18th September 2023.

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RECOMMENDED that the report be received.

6.5 CAMBOURNE SPORTS FACILITIES

Report received from Simon Clasby, Manager at Cambourne Fitness and Sports Centre.

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RECOMMENDED that the report be received.

6.6 TRAILER PARK

The Trailer Park currently full, with the renewals due in March 2024. The Trailer Park is due to have the hedges trimmed and to be sprayed with weed killer.

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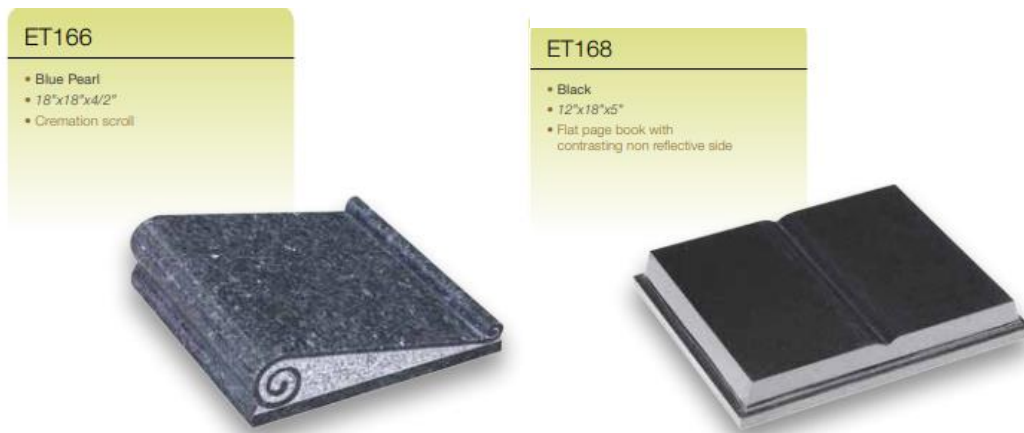
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Cemetery plaque enquiry (ashes section)

Hi we just spoke regarding the ashes plaques attached are the 2 version this client is requesting costings for but i can't get him a costing until I have a verbal response from yourselves.

Generally, we supply a standard 18 x 18 x 2" flat plaque for the majority of ashes plaque, But some councils/ Cemetery depts are now allowing a sloping wedge 18 x 18 x 4" lowering to 2".

This client is requesting either



OR

BOTH WOULD BE THE REQUIRED 18 X 18" but it is the differing heights I am unaware you will allow, or the differing designs.
Look forward to hearing from you soon

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