

## DEVOLVED PARKS & TENNIS COURTS UPDATE

D&LC Meeting Date .....Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 (report as at 24<sup>th</sup> August 2022)

FACILITY	CURRENT STATUS/ACTIVITY
BOROUGH PLAY PARK	Reports of dog owners using the play park, Operations Manager to order and install 'No Dogs permitted' signs.
CAMBRIDGE FIELD	<p>i. Operations Manager considering reducing height of hawthorn hedge to allow greater visibility into the park as a way of reducing anti-social behaviour.  <b>Update:</b> Currently unable to engage a suitable contractor with the capacity to carry out the works. Operations Manager is seeking alternatives.</p> <p>ii. Liaise with Biffa regarding installation of third bin at new entrance.  This has resulted in the attached quotation received from Cornwall Council to provide cleansing services to ALL Play Parks.  Total quotation for existing 2022/23 waste services = £1,885.32  Additional litter bin (1 x 120ltr) = £145.81  <b>ACTION REQUIRED.</b></p> <p>Cost for new Bin £355.00+VAT, plus materials for concrete base (to match existing).</p>
CHESTNUT CLOSE PLAY PARK	i. Operations Team to measure and price the rail fencing. Inspection report 2022 suggests a risk assessment as an alternative to replacing fence (can be considered at the next asset tour).
THANCKES PARK PLAY PARK	<p>i. Will be updating the Friends of Thanckes Park regarding the willow tunnel, as it is dying.</p> <p>ii. Consider extending the CCTV to increase the coverage at this park. <b>ACTION REQUIRED.</b></p>
TENNIS COURTS and TENNIS HUT	<p>i. Tennis Hut. <b>ACTION</b></p> <p>ii. Disability access has been discussed at the tour, Operations Manager and Clerk to seek quotations to remove existing panel and replace with an Accessible gate.</p>
OTHER ACTIVITIES	<p>i. Mowing has slowed down during the summer months, due to the weather.</p> <p>ii. All LANTRA Brush Cutter and Mowing training successfully completed by two employees.</p>



## Part 2 –Quote for cleansing services

Cornwall Council provide cleansing services on behalf of the devolving organisation

Asset Assessment & Cost of Cleansing 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2022- 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	
Organisation acquiring site	Torpoint Town Council
Location:	Play Areas in Torpoint
Name	1. Thanckes Park, PL11 2JN 2. Borough Fram, PL11 2JF 3. Chestnut Close, PL11 2NB 4. Cambridge Fields, PL11 2BJ
UPRN (CC)	1. 13296 2. 12345 3. 12344 4. 13298
Area of land:	
m <sup>2</sup>	1. 1,796 2. 1,502 3. 368 4. 3,557
Number of bins:	
Litter Bin	1. 1 2. 0 3. 1 4. 2
Dog Bin	
Cleansing Zone	All Zone 2
2022/23 Costs (p.a.) [NB: it will be indicated if cost is pro rata]	1. £469.17 2. £332.31 3. £243.22

	4. £840.62
<b>Total 2022/23</b>	<b>£1,885.32</b>

**Table 1: Asset Assessment and Cost of Cleansing****Additional Services**

Cost for emptying and disposing of an additional litter bin (1 x 120 Ltr) in Cambridge Fields, Torpoint. The cost includes cleansing/wiping down of the bin and collection of any litter around the bin. The bin will be emptied according to Cornwall Council's Waste and Recycling Collection, Street and Public Open Spaces Contract with Biffa Municipal Limited.

Additional bin cost (2022-23): **£145.81**

## 1. Specification details

For the purposes of the devolution process (and to ensure Cornwall Council can recover the relevant costs associated with the cleansing of these sites), the Council has provided a list of services that are included, and those which are excluded for the devolved sites. This is shown in Table 1 below:

Included (where relevant)	Excluded
Litter/dog bin emptying (bins will be emptied at a frequency to prevent overflowing)	Litter picking of waste created by grass cutting (when grass is cut there is litter picking undertaken prior to the cut under the Cormac arrangements, and this will not be covered by Biffa)
Wiping down of litter/dog bins	Litter picking, litter/dog bin emptying following Special Events e.g. Fairs, Party in the Park etc
Disposal of collected litter and dog bin waste	Disposal of waste generated by litter picking, litter/dog bin emptying following Special Events e.g. Fairs, Party in the Park etc (this could be provided by Biffa under a separate private arrangement/cost).
Fly-tipping removal (if proved to be genuine fly-tip)	Removal of a large dead animal e.g. badger, deer, cow etc.
Disposal of fly-tipped waste (if found to be genuine fly-tip)	Disposal of any commercial waste from site including grounds maintenance waste e.g. grass cuttings
Graffiti removal from public property on the site	Enforcement of waste and environmental crime/issues relating to the site (this can be arranged privately)
Fly-posting removal (if found to be illegal flyposting)	Provision of new or replacement litter/dog bins
Emergency call out/clean-up of offensive deposits e.g. syringes, vomit, human excrement etc	
Removal of a small dead animal e.g. fox, rabbit, seagull etc.	
Litter picking inc. removal of any drug related litter	

Included (where relevant)	Excluded
Disposal of collected litter	

**Table 2: Waste activities included/excluded from the Devolved Land Agreement**

## **2. Site specific elements**

It should be noted that the Council will undertake these services where required. This is an outcome-based specification and therefore no level of staffing, hours, inputs or frequencies will be stated, as the outcome is the focus. As many of the events such as graffiti, fly-tipping, fly-posting, dead animal removal, emergency call outs etc, are responded to on demand, the Council has had to estimate the number of occasions it believes this will occur on the given site. The Council is therefore initially taking the risk on this. If it is found that the numbers increase, or that there is a specific issue which pushes the costs/occurrences above that estimated, the Council will need the Parish/Town Council to address this with them. If this still cannot be resolved, then the costs will need to be reviewed.

If any waste related additional services are required on this site, the Parish or Town Council must discuss this with Cornwall Council Waste Team in the first instance. Nothing is to be added or removed on the site which will impact on the services (i.e. additional litter/dog bins) without the Council being consulted in the first instance, as any additional services will need to be formally costed and assessed by the Council under the existing contract.

## **3. Monitoring & Reporting**

Monitoring will cover the cleansing and bins in the area to be devolved (along with other elements included as part of the overall costs, set out in Table 1 of this document).

Any contract compliance issues will be dealt with through Cornwall Council's waste contract with its contractor Biffa. The Waste Team's compliance team will oversee this element and any issues can be raised directly with them. Contact details will be provided. Alternatively, local community/parish/town council can raise any cleansing issues via the council's website for reporting issues.

In terms of any street cleansing or litter/dog bin issues, the waste contractor has response times to deal with this and will either carry out any additional empties to bins needed to prevent them from overflowing, or any

additional cleansing to streets to bring them back a specific grade, at no additional cost.

Response periods vary depending upon the intensity of use of the area or zone. These are set out in Table 3 below.



	High Intensity of Use (Zone 1)	Medium Intensity of Use (Zone 2)	Low Intensity of Use (Zone 3)	Special Circumstances (Zone 4)
<b>Nature of the response</b>	Areas which, through intense pedestrian and/or vehicular movements, are prone to fluctuations in litter and refuse and require both high levels of monitoring and frequent cleansing	Areas affected by moderate levels of pedestrian and vehicular activity and therefore less prone to fluctuations in litter and refuse usually situated outside centres of retail or commercial activity, but used regularly by members of the public	Areas subject to low or infrequent level of pedestrian and vehicular activity and therefore less prone to fluctuations in litter and refuse, often located in more rural areas	Types of land where issues of health and safety and reasonableness and practicability are dominant considerations when undertaking environmental maintenance work (includes legislative restrictions for all land types)
<b>Maximum response time to Restore to grade 'A' if it falls below Grade 'B'</b>	1/2 a day. This means by 6pm if reported before 1pm or by 1pm the next duty day if reported between 1pm and 6pm on the previous day	1 day. This means by 6pm the following evening	14 days	28 days or as soon as reasonably practicable

**Table 3: Cleansing response times per intensity of use (Zones). Extracted from Defra's Code of Practice for Litter and Detritus**

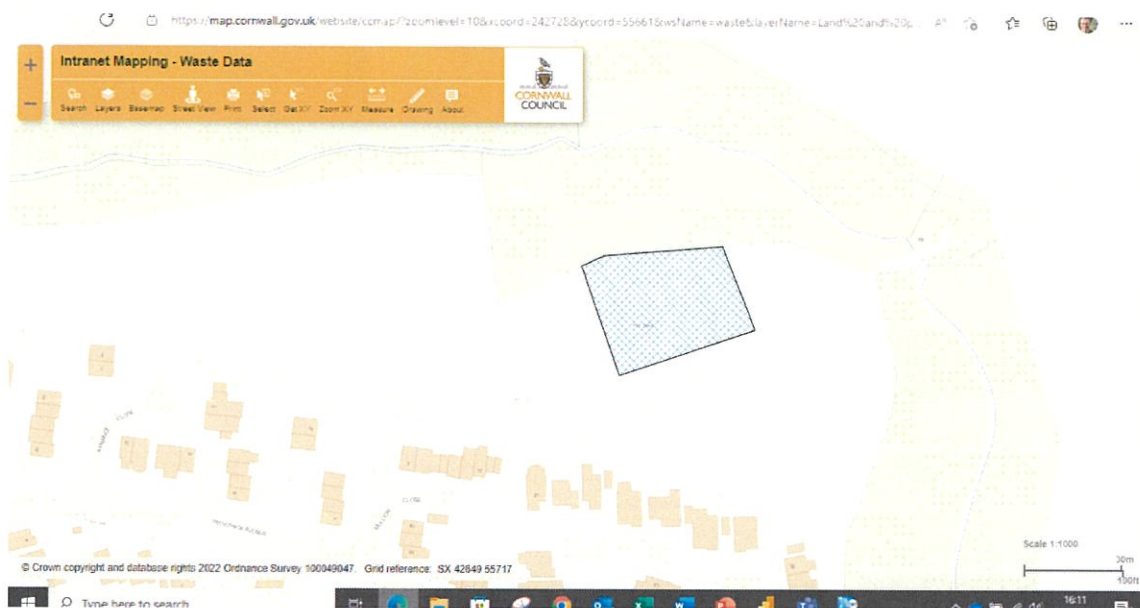
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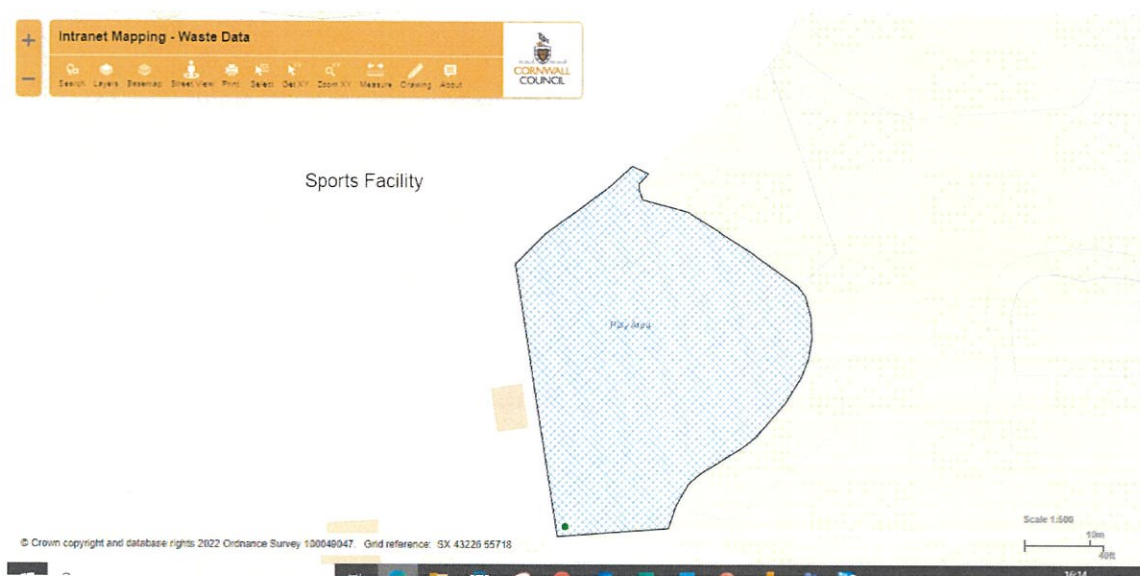
## Appendices

### Devolved Torpoint Play Areas – Location of land to be cleansed and bins

#### Appendix 1: Borough Farm Play Area



#### Appendix 2: Thanckes Park Play Area (note: Biffa not to cleanse tennis courts)





### Appendix 3: Chestnut Close Play Area



### Appendix 4: Cambridge Fields (inc. play area)

