

Clerks Report for March 23

Playing Field:

We have received a lot of reports about dog fouling within the playing field, an article has been placed on Facebook, but I think we need to consider other options to highlight this and try a different approach to combating the problem. I know this has been discussed before, but would it be advisable to look at trialling the provision of doggy bags in the playing field. There have been successful trials in other areas.

The quotes for the skate park are ongoing we have one company visiting in the next two weeks and another company that will provide a quotation but would require payment to cover travel and associated costs to visit the area. The number of companies in the UK that repair concrete skate parks are limited generally based out of county.

We are still awaiting a response regarding the rust in the gym equipment Sutcliffe play have been chased. They are currently awaiting a response from the manufacturer.

The grass cutting contractor has informed that they do not wish to take up the contract again this year. A1 have stepped in as a temporary measure but we will have to put this contract out to tender. A1 are willing to assist until a new contractor has been sourced.

The gates have now been installed in the playing field.

Cemetery:

The office has received a complaint about the brass memorial plaques installed last September. They have tarnished very quickly and are not cleaning up. The office has contacted the supplier and they will be replacing these with stainless steel plaques free of charge. It may be advisable to remove the choice of a brass plaque from the memorial plaque application as this is not the first time, we have had an issue with brass. It could be due to the exposed location, one plaque is in a worse condition than the other which is sheltered by the wall.

We have received complaints about the condition of the footpath in the cemetery, it is excessively muddy and slippery. The office is currently looking into how this could be addressed. Our proposal would be to scrape off the top layer of mud, lay a weed proof membrane and then lay interlocking matting to be filled with gravel. Our staff could possibly undertake the work, but the footpath would need to be closed for the duration of the work. This will need to be costed and put before Council.

General:

A wall on the road to the church started to collapse, this was reported to Tregohnan Estate who have undertaken the repairs required.

The area behind the public toilets has been cleared by our staff. They have also cleaned the graffiti from the St Dennis sign at the top of Trelavour Road.

Fly tipping of an old fridge door and plastic in a gateway between the Fire Station and Gothers Rd has been reported to Cornish Lithium. They are making arrangements to have this cleared.

Fly tipping at the entrance of footpath 4 (near the power station) has been reported to Cornwall Council. Black bags of what appears to be insulation have been dropped into the river and thrown into hedges in the area.

We have to date not received any applications for the good citizen award scheme. The Office will be working on promoting this over the next month.

A member of the public has seen the advertisements for the litter pick and donated some black bags for the event. As they will not be able to attend, they have started clearing litter from Trelavour Downs themselves. They have reported that the area is layered in litter not just little bits and pieces and multiple larger items such as tyres which have been left in the area.