

Ashwell Parish Council

Grounds Maintenance Specification - Schedule of requirements by area

REF	ITEM	NO OF VISITS PER YEAR
A	ST MARYS CHURCHYARD, MILL LANE	
A1	Cut and strim all grass around headstones/memorials, apart from the area in the south-west corner, marked A2 on plan A. Particular attention should be given to areas around ashes memorial plaques. Ensure no clippings are left on shingle paths or grave stones.	10
A2	Strim the area in the south-west corner, marked A2 on plan A. Clippings to be left on-site in situ (volunteer group will remove them).	2
A3	Trim top and sides of hedge along Hodwell boundary and along Church Path. Hedge height to be level of the adjacent fencing. Hedge location is marked A4 on plan A. Remove arisings.	2
B	WAR MEMORIAL, LUCAS LANE	
B1	Mow grass area immediately adjacent to the stonework of the memorial. Mow/strim arced bank area between yew hedge and metal boundary of the recreation ground.	10
C	RECREATION GROUND, PAVILION & PLAYGROUND (excluding area within cricket pitch boundary) Station Road/Lucas Lane	
C1	Cut back hedge/scrubby vegetation along fenced boundary with Playground Cottage and along full length of boundary to rear of pavilion (behind green metal store, to corner of children's playground) to 'tidy up'. Remove all arisings.	2
C2	Mow/strim grass around play equipment (including skatepark) and pavilion.	10
C3	Weed kill around pavilion and adjacent areas.	2
C4	Strim all grass/weeds to keep them clear of the kissing gate at Station Road entrance.	2
C5	Cut grass, with the option of purchasing an additional grass cut before the village sports day, which last year was in mid-May.	12
C6	Slow-release fertiliser to be applied, once in the Spring and again in August/September time.	2
C7	Pitch repairs as needed near the pavilion.	ad hoc
C8	Ability to lease with sports clubs regarding when white lines for pitches will need to be done.	
D	MERCHANT TAYLORS GREEN, GARDINERS LANE	
D1	Mow/strim grassed area.	10
D2	Cut hedge (marked E2 on plan E) located at rear of grassed area and adjacent to garden wall. Cut width to ensure hedge does not spread onto grass area and height to just below wall height. Remove arisings.	1
D3	Cut hedge (marked E3 on plan E) located at side of path and grassed area. Cut width to ensure hedge is well clear of path and reduce height to just below height of fence. Remove arisings.	1
E	THE SPRINGS, HIGH STREET	
E1	Cut grassed areas to the north of the river, identified F1 on plan F.	3
F	ASHWELL CEMETERY, STATION ROAD	
	Old Area	
F1	Cut/strim all grass.	10
F2	Strim along entire length and width of southern boundary underneath Holm Oaks, to control weeds.	2

F3	Prune all boundary hedges along Station Road, to approximately 0.8m width and height to the top of chestnut fencing. Remove arisings.	2
*F4	Prune all sides of Yew Hedges in centre. Remove arisings. Note: pruning must ensure vehicular access can be maintained along path.	1
F5	Cut down and remove ivy/Old Man's Beard from Irish Yews (6 trees).	1
F6	Trim edges to tarmac paths and ensure marker numbers are visible. Weed/moss kill paths.	2
F7	Prune pleached Lime trees beside central path. Trunks to be pruned in July and tops in February/March (or later in the event of very cold weather). These works should be undertaken with care by hand to avoid damage to trees. Remove arisings.	2
	New Area	
F8	Cut/strim all grass including around Chapel and ensure ivy does not encroach onto walls.	10
F9	Prune top and sides of all boundary hedges (native and leylandii). Remove arisings.	2
F10	Prune hedge around all sides of the Chapel. Height to bottom of windows. Remove arisings.	2
F11	Prune hedge to side of car park to previous pruning points. Remove arisings.	2
F12	Inspect young Lime trees in corners. Remove lower branches to shape and ivy.	1
F13	Prune low Beech hedges to shape - approximate width 0.6m and height 0.8m. Remove arisings.	2
F14	Prune pleached Hornbeams to shape - top and bottom to align with framework. Remove arisings.	2
Email	CARTERS POND (green space opposite Ashwell museum on corner of Swan Street and Mill Street)	
G1	Cut yew hedge to previous pruning points.	1

TOTAL (Including the playing field maintenance).