## SALISBURY city council



#### Environmental Services Team – March 2023

Environmental Services Streetscene

- 1868 jobs reported from January - December 2023, with 71% coming from the MyWiltshire App.
- Currently recruiting for 3 Streetscene Operatives & 1 Streetscene Officer
- Weeding plan in place for 2024/25
- New Glutton & 2 X new sweepers on order for new financial year as existing contracts will come to an end.



#### Environmental Services Facilities

- Main contract works at Tollgate Depot complete with the exception of the de-watering bay. Full paper on this project to come at next E&C meeting.
- Progressing with the upgrade to LED lighting across our sites. This will help us reduce our energy consumption and costs.
- First year of Pre-Planned Maintenance Programme for 2023/24 complete including works at The Guildhall, The Crematorium and The Friary Community Centre.



#### **Environmental Services**

#### CCTV

- 28 different CCTV Operators covered 1,169 visits to the control room providing 4700 hours of coverage which is equivalent to 196 full days.
- With a high of 447 (July) and a low of 341 (August) the average hours covered per month in 2023 was 392.
- We received 334 viewing requests in 2023. 231 of those were used as evidence, a positive success rate of 69%. Since 2019 we have had 1740 request with 1147 being seized with an overall rate of 66%.
- In relation to categories of viewing requests the top 3 crimes were Assault (79), Theft (71) and Criminal Damage (43) which accounted for 58% of our total amount received. Since 2019 those 3 offences have topped our viewing requests each year in exactly the same order.
- We made 1848 entries in our log books relating to the things we observe, this was an average of 154 per month over the year and whether observed by us or after being made aware by our partners we played a part, alongside the police in 100 arrests in 2023.
- Our dedicated and selfless volunteers made up 70% of the 4700 hours last year with one in particular contributing 806 hours!



#### Environmental Services Crematorium & Cemeteries

- The cremation figures from April 2023 – February 2024 total 968 compared to 1213 across the same period in 2022/23.
- It was reported on 21/02/2024 that national deaths were significantly down in the UK last year and this is the main reason our cremation numbers are also down. This was the same across the whole of the crematoria in the UK





# Excess deaths last year were two thirds lower than previous estimates

Office of National Statistics revised the figure from 31,442 to 10,994 – a 65 per cent drop - having taken into account an ageing population



#### Environmental Services Parks

- Urban Tree Challenge
- Garden of Gratitude
- Winter Maintenance
- Arboricultural Services Contract



Location	Tree species	Number of trees
Essex Square	Lime	4
	Field maple	3
	Alder	1
	Whitebeam	2
Total		10
Friary	Crab apple	5
	Rowan Mountain ash	5
Total		10
Bemerton Heath Westward Open Space	Hornbeam	5
	Common Beech	4
	Alder	2
	Whitebeam	4
Total		15
Bemerton Heath the Valley	Whitebeam	5
	Common Beech	4
	Lime	4
	Hornbeam	2
	Field maple	4
	Wild Cherry	6
Total		25
Hudson Field	Hornbeam	7
	Common Beech	10
	Lime	8
	Field maple	13
	Alder	2
Total		40
Overall total number of trees planted		100



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