

SALISBURY CITY COUNCIL



Environmental Services Team Update

Mostyn Coombes – Interim Head Of Environment
8 June 2026

- New Health and Safety Policy has been drafted
- New template for Fire and Evacuation Procedures for all sites
- Contractor Sign-in procedure designed
- Event Guidance Checklist in development
- First Aid Needs being assessed
- Compliance spot checks
- Looking to partner with S6C to provide a defibrillator for the Tollgate Road area

- Continuing with pro-active inspections
- PPM Routine work in full swing
- Vandalism levels (PWC) have decreased
- Skylight repairs completed at Guildhall
- Previously approved Dog Wash – due August 26
- Out of Hours and Changing Places contract – specification designed and going out to tender shortly
- Creating a professional services tender to support maintenance contact

Poultry Cross Update

Loop Architects have received a draft budget from the Quantity Surveyor for the Phase 1 works. They are currently liaising to resolve a couple of clarifications and are awaiting final lighting costs.

They have assured us that the report will be issued shortly.

The report will determine whether the proposed budget is adequate.



Asset Transfer Update

Central Toilets

- Since Wiltshire Council's Cabinet approval for the transfer of the central toilets to SCC, Asa has confirmed to WC that the Council have authorised him to negotiate on their behalf and that they are interested in taking on the site.
- Wiltshire Council's Estate Manager has requested their legal team to begin drafting the necessary documents.

Other Assets

- Wiltshire Council are currently reviewing their asset transfer policy and plan to present the revised policy, along with other asset transfer proposals, to Cabinet in July or September.

Market Square Toilets Update

Timeline update for the underground works yet to be confirmed.

- Completed drawings were received from the Architect in mid April
- This did not allow sufficient time to order all materials and complete the works ahead of Fayre on the Square.
- We are currently in discussions with the contractors and the Events team to schedule the works at a time that will minimise disruption to our larger events.



Wyndham Park Wall Update

Wiltshire Council's Tree Officer raised an objection to the proposed installation of reinforced structures below ground level to support the wall, due to the proximity of tree roots. WC Planning Officers have requested a further study to identify the position of the roots, and the proposed locations of the piling supports. Due to the density of roots in the area, SCC's Architect is currently working with the piling company to explore whether a weighted reinforcement solution can be installed above ground, thereby avoiding excavation in the vicinity of the tree roots.



Guildhall Works Update

SCC's structural surveyors are currently preparing a specification to:

- Replace part of the ceiling and redecorate the Banqueting Hall.
- Redecorate the Crown Court.
- Address minor structural issues throughout the building.

Once the specification is complete, the works can be costed and a decision made on which elements in addition to the ceiling works will be taken forward.



Depot De-watering Bay Update

The original retaining wall and tarmac road surface have been removed, and the new wall has now been installed.

The next stage is to construct the raised concrete pads that will support the skips.

Current estimated completion date: 1 September 2026



Depot Solar Panels Update

The Facilities department are investigating Solar panels for the Tollgate Depot.

To date, they have contacted two companies, both of which have visited the site and provided options and quotations. These are currently being reviewed.



Plans for 2026/27 -

Working with Hampshire County Council Procurement Team on a CCTV maintenance and purchasing contract. *Seeking a 5-year contract with a 3-year break clause — currently in progress.*

Digitalizing the CCTV Control Room - Digitalizing the daily logbook and associated paperwork.

Ongoing

Salisbury City Council Branding Adding the Salisbury City Council logo to CCTV footage released externally. *Ongoing*

Extending CCTV within the City Camera upgrades:

Revised following budget carry-over restrictions.

- C2 Catherine St — Multiview (replacing single-view PTZ)
- C4 Fisherton St — TandemVu (replacing single-view PTZ)
- C10 Queen St — TandemVu (replacing single-view PTZ)

Network upgrades to 60GHz:

- C2–C10
- C3–C4
- New CCTV camera in New Street – *Ongoing*

Volunteer Operator Recruitment Working with Wiltshire Together to recruit additional CCTV volunteer operators.

Parks & Open Spaces Grounds Maintenance

Tree planting

As spring weather has shifted from a prolonged period of wet conditions to a sustained spell of dry weather, watering operations for newly planted and second-year trees have commenced. These works are being carried out both in-house and by a contractor, with approximately 700 trees across the city being watered. Water is sourced from the River Avon at Queen Elizabeth Gardens under a licence from the Environment Agency. Each tree is watered using a slow-release irrigation bag, with additional water delivered directly into the root network via a feed pipe.



Parks & Open Spaces Grounds Maintenance

Shrub & rose bed and play equipment maintenance

- The team has now returned to formal areas to carry out weeding of shrub and rose beds, following the completion of formal grass cutting works. This work is undertaken manually and is therefore often time-consuming.
- Visual inspections of play areas are carried out on a weekly basis, alongside regular servicing and maintenance.



Parks & Open Spaces Grounds Maintenance

Parks and open spaces

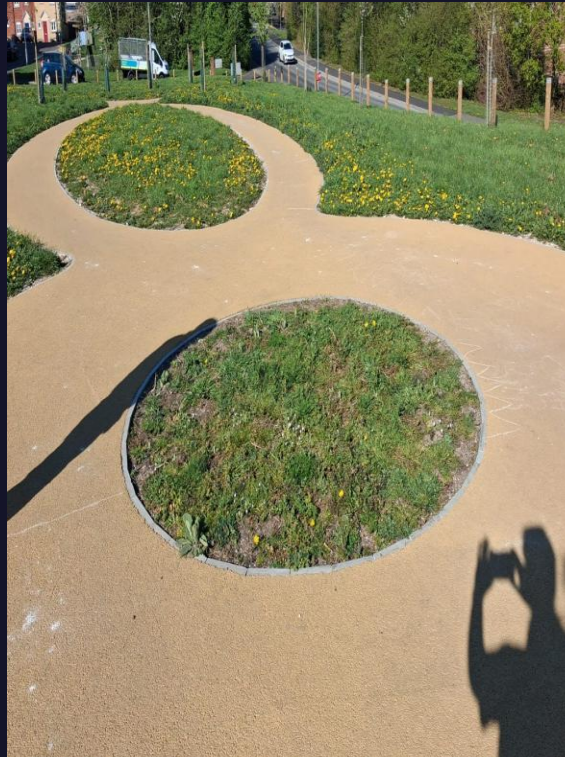
The open spaces grass team has completed the first cycle of grass cutting in line with their schedule. This includes both open and closed cemeteries, as well as the cutting of sports outfields and areas prepared in advance of events.



Parks & Open Spaces Grounds Maintenance

Rowbarrow Harnham

New Planting has been undertaken to enhance a landscaped pathway within the site, creating a feature that will, over time, develop into a focal point.



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Sensory Garden – new Planting at Queen Elizabeth Gardens

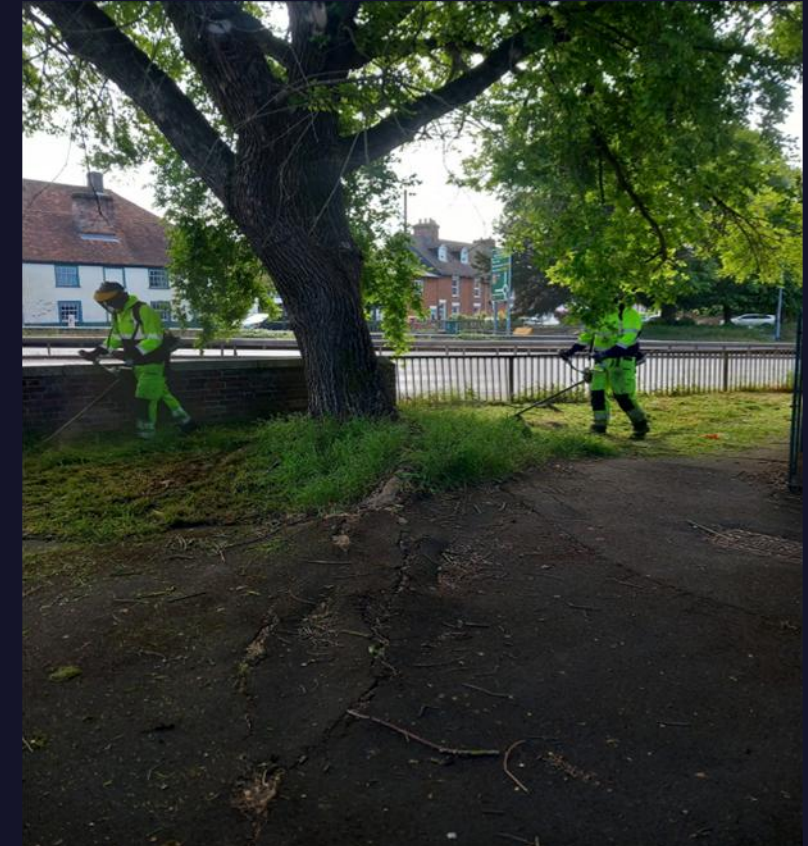
New planting has been undertaken following the decline of the previous Buxus (box) planting, which had been severely affected by box blight. A range of alternative species has been introduced to replace the box, including ferns, thyme, rosemary, and periwinkle, creating a more resilient and varied sensory planting scheme.



Parks & Open Spaces Grounds Maintenance

Housing estates and Verges Grass Cutting

The team has completed their first full grass cutting cycle in eight weeks, using a combination of machinery. This includes the use of a newly purchased zero-turn mower; however, the machine has not performed as expected, requiring several call-outs from the supplier to address faults. These issues have now been rectified.



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Salisbury Tourist Information Centre

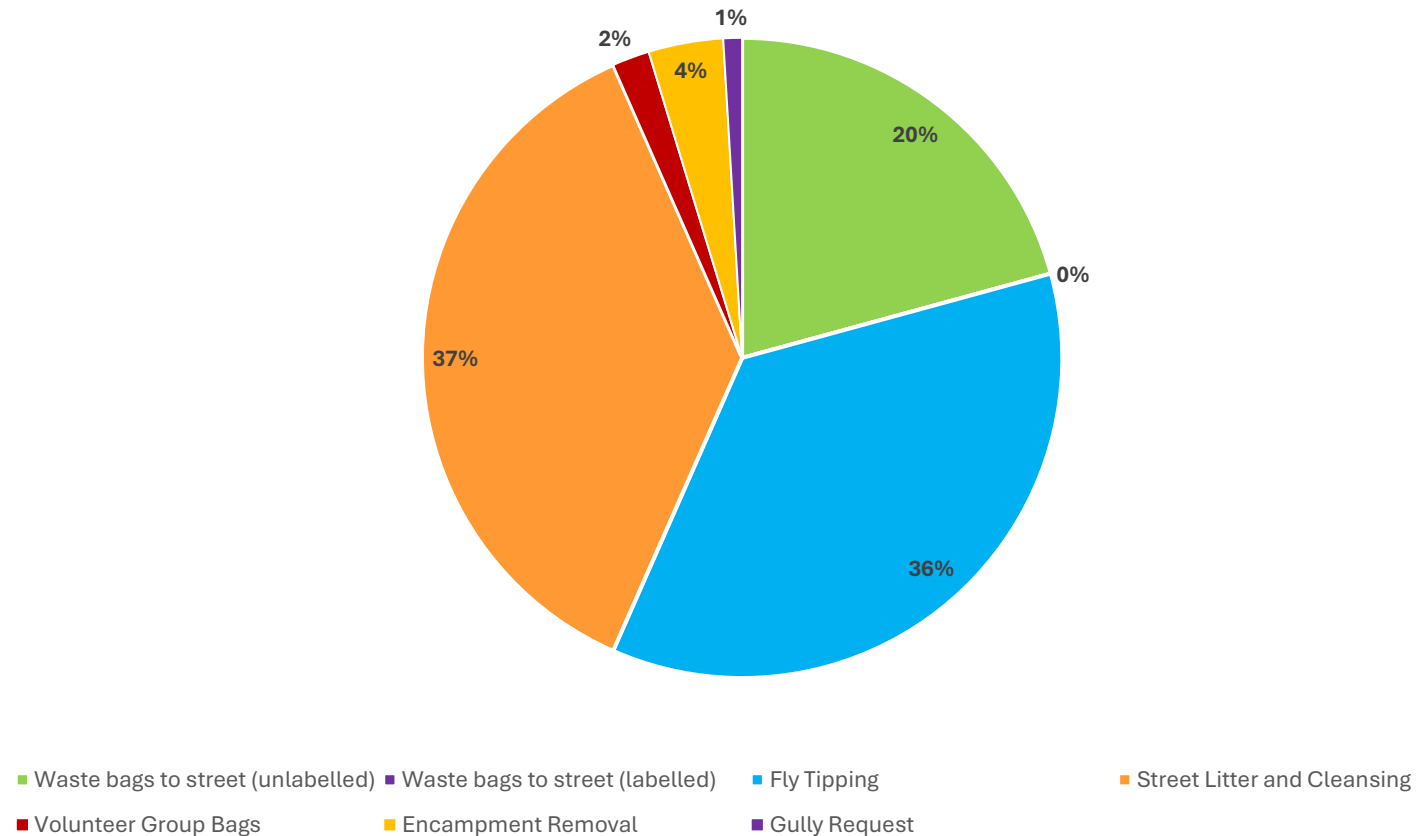
A new planter and planting scheme has been installed to replace the previous unit, which had deteriorated over time due to its fibreglass construction. A range of drought-tolerant plants has been selected, taking into account the location and long-term maintenance requirements.



April Reports

- **Waste bags - 22**
- **Volunteer Groups - 2**
- **Encampment Removal - 4**
- **Fly tipping - 38**
- **Street litter and cleansing - 39**
- **Gully request - 1**

April 2026 Monthly Breakdown



SPRING UPDATE – What's been going on

- Benches at Harnham Recreation Ground and the Town Path have been refurbished
- Benches and recycling units have been installed at Bemerton Heath Pump Track.
- We have replaced several older style cast iron bins and fiber glass bins with double recycling units around the city and residential areas
- The teams have been hard at work weeding areas around the city
- Once a month steam cleaning has begun on the square

Looking ahead

- Benches will be installed at Rowbarrow's new green space
- The Gully team will be in Salisbury 26th – 29th May visiting Fisherton Street, Castle Road, Old Blandford Road, Empire Road, and Stratford Road.
- After feedback from the team and members of the public, new recycling units will be installed in the Crematorium and Devizes Road Cemetery. These bins have a larger opening to allow for larger items such as wreaths.

Streetscene

Weeding update

- St Edmund's and Harnham
- Churchfields
- Pinewood Way
- St Paul's
- Fisherton & Bemerton Village





Thank you

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