

Brundall Parish Council Maintenance Report

- July and August 2026

Maintenance work

A big part of my time in July and August was spent dealing with the normal increase in rubbish during the school summer holidays. Fitting locks to the wheelie bins that I use around the village has improved the situation significantly; it has ensured that domestic waste is no longer being fly-tipped in the bins, resulting in more capacity for the increased waste during this busy period. This move, plus calls to Broadland Council, has also resulted in the bins being collected on a regular basis.

In the cemetery, rabbits have been digging into new and mature grave sites. Some of the burrows on the new sites have been down close to the coffins. Consequently, I have spent time tidying up graves on a regular basis. The dry summer has also resulted in ground on most of the grave sites sinking and looking unsightly. I have suggested to the Parish Clerk, that a 'ton bag' of topsoil could be purchased and delivered to the cemetery, which would enable me to gradually correct some of the levels of the graves and aid the repair of any rabbit damage.

Routine work

Regular playground monitoring continued in line with the normal schedule; we are currently investigating the cost of replacing the existing matts under two pieces of play equipment in the Links Avenue play park area, which have deteriorated beyond repair. It is hoped we will be able to replace this with a more modern 'wetpour' safety surface.

As reported previously, most of the swings in both PC play areas need to be replaced over this winter, with new chains and seats; a quote is also being sort on this work.

My understanding is that the installation of a new safety gate into the Meadow View Play Park is pending.

Future planned work

When the ground is a bit softer following a few days of rain, two bench seats will be installed in the Countryside Park and improvement work on the aesthetics and structural properties of the three bus stops in the village will start.