

Environmental Services Maintenance Calendar

Operation/function	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Street cleansing	Primary retail - daily Secondary retail - weekly Highways - monthly Public open spaces - monthly											
Public convenience cleansing	Daily - all year											
Mechanical sweeping	All year where needed - more often in the autumn when leaf fall is heavy											
Fly-tipping	All year where needed											
Graffiti removal	All year where needed											
Chester city street washing - external provider												
Deep cleansing - Joint work with Highways						Joint targeted operation to identify roads where normal maintenance was not possible due to parked vehicles						
Leaf fall						Planned schedule of leaf collection (plus as needed)						
Weed treatment - external provider												
Grass cutting	Formal park - weekly Rural - monthly Amenity grass - fortnightly										Mid March Start	
	Habitat/natural areas - 2 to 3 times a year											
Hedge maintenance				Work as needed for safety reasons due to restrictions under the Countryside and Wildlife Act			Scheduled maintenance after nesting season ends					
Tree works	Felling work as needed for safety reasons						Pruning/felling work as needed					
Shrub maintenance						Cycle of planned work						
Floral displays including bedding/baskets/planters			Preparation and planting				Preparation and planting					
Specialist attractions grass maintenance (parks/sports areas and formal sites)	Full range of grass maintenance operations including general grass maintenance, fine turf maintenance and specialist operations eg. bowling greens, repairs to cricket squares and football goalmouths, etc (twice weekly if necessary)											
External works – eg, Plus Dane Housing maintenance	All year round cycle of planned work, and work where needed, including maintenance of grass, hedges, shrubs and tree works											
Cemetery work/burials	Closed churchyard maintenance, burials, gravedigging, etc - cycle of planned grass maintenance and burial works as needed											
Asset repairs/new installations (stiles, gates, bridges and signage)	All year round operation to install new and make repair to existing assets – both planned and as needed Safety issues take priority											
Year round event support	Full range of events including Chester Races, marathons, elections, festivals, etc - known dates programmed in, for new events rotas are adjusted, if given sufficient notice, or resourced as required and then programmed for future years if needed											
Play areas*	All year Weekly and fortnightly safety checks on 120 play areas by council inspectors											

*Play areas - Inspected by independent ROSPA accredited inspectors in August

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