

Green Spaces Service standards.

Grass cutting

We aim to fly cut the grass every 3 weeks. The programme may be influenced by unpredictable weather conditions.

All grass cuttings that fall outside the grassed area immediately after cutting will be blown back onto the grass within 24 hours.

Closed cemeteries, we will cut up the grass up to eight occasions per year, between March and November.

Ornamental lawn areas, (areas around flower beds), the grass is cut weekly and the cuttings are removed.

Rural grass cutting

We aim to maintain the natural growth of wild flowers and native habitats for wildlife, therefore rural grass cutting is carried out at a reduced level to protect flora and fauna, also with consideration of the safety of pedestrians and motorists.

For safety reasons, sightlines in rural areas are cut back as often as necessary, while the verges adjacent to roads are cut 1 metre wide, twice a year. All rural cuts are made by machinery that is attached to a tractor.

Hedges

All hedges will be cut twice a year to reduce one year's growth from the top and sides. The first cut will take place between late June and early August.

The second cut will be October into early November.

Shrubs

Pruning takes place between October and March. Unless the shrub is blocking a sightline, then we aim to attend within 10 working days from the date of the complaint.

Litter bins

Parks and Play grounds - are emptied 3 times a week in winter, increasing to 5 times a week during periods of hot weather. Weekend cover may be added if the deemed necessary.

Events

Please complete the online booking form on www.barnet.gov.uk. The preliminary events application form needs to be completed and submitted for evaluation. Please be advised the processing period is 6/8 weeks before the planned event date.

Depending on the nature of the event further licenses/permissions may need to be obtained, from Licensing and or Highways.

Sport pitch bookings Please complete the online and submit application form application form, or refer to the Lettings Officer.

Sport Pitch markings Sports pitches are marked every week (weather permitting), to facilitate the bookings.

Fitness classes Please refer to the Lettings Officer.

Rubbish in the brook Please refer to the Environment Agency.

Rubbish on the banks Refer to Grounds Maintenance.

Forming a Friend group Please refer to the Project and Community Support Officer.