5. Facilities Managers Report

Skatepark Project – Unfortunately the funding application to the Cornwall Levelling Up Fund (CLUP) was unsuccessful. The CLUP funding was part of the match funding package for the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) funding secured in December 2024. The £100k CIL funding was conditional on the Town Council having the match-funding in place by 30 June 2025. On a practical note, the underground facilities survey and the infiltration surveys have now been completed. The costs are covered 'at risk' by the contractor.

Castle Park – The laurel tree on the Western boundary has been cut back to reduce anti-social behaviour. The Town Council is in discussions with neighbouring property owners regarding boundary walls. The possibility of replacing the existing goal posts is being explored.

Hire of parks for community events – A booking form is being drafted. In the meantime, we continue to take bookings for use of Castle Park, Thorn Park and Westbourne Gardens. Anyone wishing to hold an event must supply a copy of their Public Liability Insurance, a risk assessment and safeguarding policy.

Events in the Public Hall – July and August are traditionally a much quieter time for bookings, and we are taking the opportunity to deep clean and decorate the Wheal Phoenix Room, stairwell and lobby. In the autumn we have several large events including dance, Music Bingo, local bands, BBC Any Questions, Festival of Remembrance, Liskeard Primestock Show and Caradon Youth Theatre's production of Scrooge.