

ACHA Grounds Maintenance

Our teams are busy throughout the year looking after your estates. In terms of this tenant rent funded service, ACHA prioritises the maintenance of the ground of areas which are in general closest to our tenants. Areas more remote from Association tenants are designated a lower priority dependent on the proportion of ACHA tenancies in the locality.

You will find a guide to their activities below. Please bear in mind that the work of the team is frequently delayed by adverse weather.

Grass Cutting;

High Grass: We endeavour to cut the grass designated as High maintenance on the grounds maintenance maps, 13 times in the growing season starting in March and finishing in late October including using blowers to clear the paths, steps & hard standings.

Medium Grass: We will cut the grass designated as Medium maintenance on the grounds maintenance maps, 8 times within the growing season starting in March and finishing in late October including using blowers to clear the paths, steps & hard standings.

Rough Grass: We aim to cut the grass designated as Rough maintenance on the grounds maintenance maps, twice within the growing season starting in March and finishing in late October including using blowers to clear the paths, steps & hard standings.

Care of Garden scheme

Garden Grass: We endeavour to cut the grass in the Gardens 8 times per growing season starting in April and finishing in October including using blowers to clear the paths, steps & hard standings. Please note we cannot move garden furniture, ornaments, planters or similar to allow access and will not cut if the area/plot is polluted with dog foul.

Weed Kill:

Application of Weed killer: We will, weather permitting, apply applications per growing season to our tarmac areas (listed as Bitmac on the maps), hardstanding & slabbed path areas as per our grounds maintenance maps.

Hedges:

We will cut our hedges twice per annum; This involves a light cut in Summer & hard prune in Winter as per our Grounds Maintenance Maps.

Shrub Beds:

We will prune and cultivate/turnover the Shrub Beds twice per annum in accordance with good horticultural practise.

Play Parks:

We visit each Play Park on the High grass cutting cycle, 13 times and litter Pick, empty bins and if necessary sweep the hard standing.

Litter Picking:

Our teams litter pick all areas prior to cutting.

Tree Management:

As part of our tree management plan, we survey all our tree stock every 2 years and keep a register of our findings, taking action as required. Our priorities focus on the health of the trees & the health & safety of the general public.

Japanese Knotweed:

We treat all detected Japanese Knotweed within our Title twice per annum until it is eradicated.

