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GARDENING ON GAS

First there was cooking on gas but with the delivery of five new LPG vehicles for the parks and open spaces section, we are now gardening on gas.

The section has recently been awarded ISO 14001 accreditation for their environmental management systems, which included a commitment to reduce pollution.

Cleaner, cheaper and more efficiency is why the council is moving towards increasing its stock of vehicles running on liquid petroleum gas. The fleet currently includes 20 LPG vehicles, 9 which run on dual fuel and 103 on biodegradable fuel.

Alan Taylor, the Parks Operations Manager, who runs a fleet of 22 vehicles to carry out a wide variety of grounds maintenance duties throughout the district, said: "In adopting an environmental management system, we are showing our on-going commitment towards minimising the adverse affect our operations have on the environment. In my section, we now have seven LPG vehicles travelling all over the district and they are certainly cutting down on vehicle emission pollution.

"The council has installed an LPG tank at our depot so filling up isn't a problem for us and all our drivers are very impressed with these new Ford Transit vans." ENDS