



Green Flag Award 2019

Name of Site: Albert Rd

Managing Organisation:

Desk Assessment Feedback (Management Plan and supporting documentation)

Criteria	Strengths	Recommendations
Presentation	A very comprehensive index.	In 1.4 you talk of open space in 2005 being 12.5 % of area. Later in the document you talk of 25% of area in Haringey, Has open space increased by 100%? There is no vision for this park compared with other management plans.
Health, Safety & Security	Like the description of how you get to the park, what public transport is available etc. That every gate has a sign which details the name of the gate is v good. Good to see vandalism and anti-social behaviour has improved since the cafe links to sports. .Congratulations on crime reduction in the park. The walking trails and notice boards are a very good way to encourage people to exercise improving health in the borough.	It would be useful to know how the cafe links to sports came about, it's a positive message, shout about it! When you do such a comprehensive section one starts to wonder if you have things like CCTV, but have forgotten it, perhaps you should say what you haven't got but would like. Why in 3.4, does it mention a 3 dog policy, but in 5.10.1 mention a restriction to 6 dogs per person? Figures need to be consistent.

Maintenance of equipment, buildings & landscape	Trees appear well managed. Standards if adhered to look very good. Staked tree maintenance looks very well covered.	Do all assets in a park need to be inspected monthly, or would some require more inspections, and others less? It would be good to see what grade A bedding looks like.
Litter, cleanliness, vandalism	Very good standards The "Love Clean Street" app is a good idea.	
Environmental Management	No peat use. The rest is very good as well. It is good to see that drought tolerant plants are used in the bedding	Chemical reduction and alternatives should be prioritised.
Biodiversity, Landscape and Heritage	Good management of wildflower meadow and grass management for wildlife.	Need to explain why your table in 8.2 does not match your earlier table, for instance shrubs 1089m2 in 8.2 its only 0.4 of hectare explain why?
Community Involvement	Like the idea of spotlight meetings there seems to be a lot of community involvement The friends of the parks forum is a very good idea. Small community events under 100 people encouraged by being free. Great idea.	Like the idea of training people to manage events. You could explain how the spotlight meetings fit in with regular friends meeting. What s the ref to work experience for all school kids!
Marketing & Communication	Good list of publicity The Friends of Group's Facebook page looks very good.	Include any events that take place in the park.
Overall management		Small point at 1.5 you mention the draft Vision talks of self-financing and it being adopted in 2023, at 10.4 you talk about 10 years to achieve the strategy. Which is it?

Additional comments

Nice to see action plan consider incorporating the habitat action plan

Field Assessment Feedback

Criteria	Strengths	Recommendations
A Welcoming Place	Good signage, safe access for all.	Trip point behind paving at Oliver Tambo
Healthy, Safe and Secure	Felt very safe and was reinforced by Friend explaining that children 8/9 are allowed to go into the park and play and people are confident that they are being looked after. Good links to the police.	Consider some form of lighting as it is such a well-used park, with facilities which have floodlighting, so it must be used on dark nights
Well Maintained and Clean	Nice to see friends bulb planting, perhaps in future put in larger groups to stop any additional maintenance issues	Some grass edges could do with bringing up to the path to help with maintenance. The levels under the trim trail could do with bringing up. Some of the grass areas look tired
Environmental Management	Good recycling, green waste, and building materials, reused for planters.	Alternatives to chemical use needs to be considered.
Biodiversity Landscape and Heritage		A few bird and bat boxes could be used. (we did not see any on the visit, but

	Opportunities are being taken where they can be. Lots of thought for planning for the future, including run off topping up the pond.	there might have been some) A regularly updated list of birds and animals would be good.
Community Involvement	Excellent relationship between Friends,TCP,leaseholder and council which works to bring a vibrant space which is well used. A number of schools do use the space for sports days.	
Marketing and Communication	Very good Forest Skills site. Lots of informal education takes place with parents.	Need to make more of the Forest skills site.in the management plan.
Management	The management plan is being applied	

Additional Comments

On the Day this park had one of the highest concentration of users seen. That areas look tired and in need of some TLC is not surprising. That you want to maintain that level of usage is admirable that you need to increase the level of grounds maintenance activity is a given or slowly standards will drop below the Green Flag Award standard

