

Ducketts Common Community Action Plan

In 2012 Groundwork London worked with the Ducketts Common Friends of Group and the Haringey Parks Team to run sessions to improve the park and encourage more people in, including seed sowing, leaf and litter picking, hedge pruning and a wild food walk. We have also worked with the Friends group and the Parks team to create this 'Community Action Plan' which is designed to support volunteer engagement in the park. Several opportunities for getting involved in volunteering in the Park are identified on this plan as indicated under 'Recent Projects; Future Projects' and on the Maintenance Calendar. Local residents are already active on the site and have planted an array of bulbs all along the boundary of the south area, as well as a willflower area which blooms beautifully in the Spring and Summer!



Recent Projects

1. Wild Life Area Creation-South Area
A wildflower area has been created which not only provides a year round display of colour but also provides food and homes for insects, birds, and mammals, so increasing biodiversity. (Pictured Below)



2. Bulb Planting
The boundary of the Southern section of the park has been planted with colourful bulbs to create a border with year round interest.



Future Projects

3. Entrance Upkeep
Litter pick and remove leaf debris along the hedge lines and at entrances year round, increase in autumn when leaf fall is heaviest in order to keep the entrances welcoming.

4. Central Area
Expand on the initial ideas that form the wider scheme. This could include small individual planting and maintenance projects.

5. Bluebell Wood
Creation of a Bluebell Wood with other complimentary woodland planting such as ferns around the path from the Hampden Road entrance.

6. Bulb Planting (Worksheet 1)
Continue bulb planting through out the central and north boundaries of the park and at other areas which would benefit from brightening up.

7. Pruning and Shrub Maintenance
Pruning and up keep of existing shrub planting through out the park .

The Friends Group are always looking for volunteers and new ideas - if you would like to get involved please contact the Friends Group, or the Haringey Parks team using the contact details below.

Contact Details

Parks Service:
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To book for events or clear up days email the proposed dates and activities to: parksbookings@haringey.gov.uk

For information or to apply for a Parks and Open Spaces Small Grant small grant from Haringey Council email; sarah.jones@haringey.org.uk

Maintenance Calendar

Task	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
ALL AREAS												
Mowing central lawns (every 3 weeks) cuttings can remain												
Removal of leaves off site from lawns											*	
Pruning perimeter hedge and clearing autumnal debris											*	*
Spiking and reseeding lawns as needed												
Mowing grass within the tree lined border. (Twice yearly)												
NORTH												
Volunteer Task - (Worksheet1) Bulb Planting			Summer Flowering	Summer Flowering					Spring Flowering	Spring Flowering		
Volunteer Task - Entrance Up Keep (Ongoing)	←	←	←	←	←	←	←	←	←	←	←	←
CENTRAL												
Remove leaves from MUGA and gym area every 2-3weeks												
Volunteer Task - (Worksheet1) Bulb Planting			Summer Flowering	Summer Flowering					Spring Flowering	Spring Flowering		
SOUTH												
Mow bulb strip and remove cuttings												
Trim the meadow area strip and remove cuttings												
Volunteer Task - Bluebell Wood Creation					Fern Planting & Green Bluebells				Bluebell Bulbs	Bluebell Bulbs		

Maintenance tasks to be carried out by the Council Parks Services team

Maintenance tasks to be carried out by Volunteers

✱ Tasks carried out by Council Parks Services team but also open to volunteers

