



# FEEDBACK REPORT: 2022-23

<b>Name of Site</b>	Fairland Park
<b>Managing Organisation</b>	London Borough of Haringey
<b>Date of Assessment</b>	16/06/2022

<b>OVERALL RESULT</b>	<b>Pass</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>Fail</b> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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<b>NOTES ABOUT THIS REPORT</b>
<p>Strengths and recommendations are provided for each criteria.</p> <p>Photographs are included, where appropriate, to support the feedback from the judge(s) in relation to both strengths and recommendations.</p> <p>Please refer to the Raising the Standard guidance manual <a href="#">here</a> for further information on the criteria.</p>

## DESK ASSESSMENT

(Management plan and supporting documentation)

<b>Criteria</b>	<b>Strengths</b>	<b>Recommendations</b>
<b>Presentation</b>	<p>The Management Plan is well laid out with a clear contents page for easy navigation through the plan. It makes it particularly easy for judging purposes as it is laid out according to the Green Flag criteria.</p> <p>Excellent to see the political commitment in the foreword from the Cabinet Member responsible for the parks.</p> <p>Excellent that Cllr Hearn is addressing the foreword to the local people and</p>	<p>The Management Plan needs to be updated, for example, page 7 “the Council is asked to formally adopt it later in 2021/21.”</p> <p>The Management Plan is titles at the top of the page as 2019 although the front is 2022. This gives some confusion about whether the plan has been updated.</p>

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	<p>encouraging them to become involved in the park.</p> <p>The additional note from Cllr Mike Hakata shows the commitment by the Council to the restructured parks service in Haringey and the increase in investment along with the adoption of Parks and Green Space Strategy from 2023.</p> <p>The plan is well illustrated with relevant plans and photographs which helps the understanding of the management of the park.</p> <p>There are excellent links through to relevant strategies, the Friends Group and partners who work together for the park.</p>	
<b>Health, Safety &amp; Security</b>	<p>There is a good section on the health and safety of the park which includes inspections, reporting through a variety of means including an app “love Clean Streets”, risk assessments, designing out crime and how any issues are dealt with.</p> <p>The section on dogs is also good showing how important dog walkers are as the eyes and ears for the park, and the PSPO for dog control.</p>	<p>The “locked when possible” is not a SMART objective.</p> <p>It would be good to have the total number of crimes reported last year not just January to April.</p>
<b>Maintenance of Equipment, Buildings &amp; Landscape</b>	<p>All the facilities and landscape within the park are well described.</p> <p>There is an excellent schedule of maintenance for the park and this is assessed by the Parks Quality Scoring System which is easy for parks operatives and the public to assess whether the standard specified has been achieved.</p>	<p>The play and outdoor gym equipment are not part of the monthly inspections.</p>

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<b>Litter, Cleanliness, Vandalism</b>	<p>Good to see that the litter bins are emptied daily. Also, that fly tips and other hygiene issues, sweeping of hard surfaces are all in the maintenance schedule.</p>	<p>There is nothing explicitly on the removal of graffiti in the scheduled maintenance programme (there are other “reactive” actions is it included here?).</p>
<b>Environmental Management</b>	<p>Good links to Haringey’s Greenest Borough Strategy.</p> <p>It is good to see that there is a pilot scheme in one of the parks to trial a no-pesticide approach.</p> <p>Peat is not used in the park and recycled materials are used where possible.</p> <p>All waste from the bins is sorted and recycled where possible at the North London Waste Authority depot. Green waste is also taken to the depot where it is composted and then reused in the park. These include Christmas trees collected in the park at Christmas time.</p> <p>Good low emission and pollution practices for machinery including vehicles.</p> <p>Drought resistant plants and trees are chosen for the site.</p>	<p>It would be good to see the reduction of herbicides to follow the good practice of other parks services.</p>
<b>Biodiversity, Landscape &amp; Heritage</b>	<p>There is an excellent conservation and heritage section which includes biodiversity, designation status, and a conservation action plan (CAP). The CAP guides the key actions for conservation in the park.</p> <p>Excellent wildlife habitat management plans.</p>	<p>The BAP section is out of date in the management plan. It says on page 37 that “during 2019-20 a new BAP will be produced.”</p> <p>It would be good to see the wildlife habitat management on page 40 integrated into the scheduled maintenance on page 21- 25.</p>
<b>Community Involvement</b>	<p>There is a particularly good section setting the scene showing the characteristics of the local population</p>	<p>A survey of park users was planned for 2019-20 but it does not record whether it</p>

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	<p>and another one on Community Involvement.</p> <p>The Conservation Volunteers role and Corporate volunteering are well described and it is excellent that a new Community Engagement Officer and Volunteering Officer will be recruited this year.</p> <p>There is an excellent Haringey Parks Forum which has some supportive aims and a good partnership between this and the parks staff.</p> <p>The Friends of Fairland Park are a very proactive group who arrange community events on the park including clean ups, movie nights and fairs. Parks staff attend the bi-monthly parks forum to listen and engage in a constructive dialogue about parks.</p> <p>The Parks and Open Space Strategy is consulted on with local people.</p> <p>Trees and benches can be sponsored by local people.</p>	<p>took place or the results. (page 45)</p>
<p><b>Marketing &amp; Communication</b></p>	<p>The communication with local people and their engagement is well covered in the plan.</p> <p>There is a good web site for the Council and for the Friends Group and they also have a Facebook page.</p> <p>Social media is used well, Twitter, Facebook and YouTube. There are good links through to the relevant social media in the plan.</p> <p>Notice boards and the Council magazine are also used to publicise events, campaigns and information about the park.</p>	<p>Both web sites could do with some updating.</p>

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<p><b>Overall Management</b></p>	<p>There is a good overall management of the park in every area. It is well written and shows a great commitment to deliver a good park to Green Flag standard for local people to enjoy.</p> <p>There is a good staff structure chart and description of where different responsibilities for Fairland Park sits within the structure for each element.</p> <p>There are excellent links to relevant strategies including the Parks and Open Spaces Strategy.</p> <p>There is an excellent system of ensuring the parks are reinvested in, kept in good shape and supported financially following events.</p>	<p>This section could be updated to show what progress has been made for example in the adoption of the Parks and Open Space Strategy and the table showing actions to improve Fairland Park on page 51.</p>

# FIELD ASSESSMENT

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<b>A Welcoming Place</b>	<p>The park is easy to find and is a good child friendly park providing for the local neighbourhood.</p> <p>The accesses into the park are level and it feels welcoming. There has been some good shrub planting in the past along the entrance path which will give some lovely winter colour and scent.</p>	<p>Unfortunately, the notice board welcoming you to Fairland Park was completely empty. It would be good to always have some information here.</p>
<b>Healthy, Safe &amp; Secure</b>	<p>Excellent and durable no dog signs for the play area on the pathway.</p> <p>Logs from the management plan have been removed.</p> <p>There is a good programme to put all the trees onto Confirm and with a link to the tree officers.</p> <p>Site lines are kept and shrubs pruned to reduce the incidences of rough sleeping.</p> <p>Rough sleeping on site is being managed in line with the wellbeing guidelines.</p>	<p>Some of the pathways through the shrub areas in the play area should be considered to be properly surfaced (bark chip or tiger mulch suggested) as there are bricks sticking up.</p> <p>The park is no longer locked at night.</p> <p>It would be useful to have the Zonal Officers trained to be able to include the play areas in their inspections.</p>
<b>Well Maintained &amp; Clean</b>	<p>The smaller play area was clean, well maintained, with any minor repairs already programmed in, and all the appropriate inspections were in place. Tiger Mulch is being considered for all the worn areas in the play area.</p> <p>All the courts are in in good clean order with good fencing and surface. The MUGA has a programme to repaint the lines.</p> <p>There was no litter on the site.</p>	<p>The landscape material around the mosaic seating area has been caught in the mowing of the grass. I recommend that this area is planted with drought loving plants like lavender through the landscape material and mulch is used to suppress any weeds.</p> <p>The park is very well used and the programme of works to restored the wear and tear of grass should be progressed.</p>

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<b>Environmental Management</b>	<p>All new bins are recycling bins.</p> <p>Waste is taken to be recycled.</p>	
<b>Biodiversity Landscape &amp; Heritage</b>	<p>There was a good use of natural stone as a play and landscape feature in the play area.</p> <p>There is a well-loved wave seat on the mound overlooking the park.</p>	<p>It would be good to have some information on the history of the site.</p> <p>There are good opportunities to have some varied grass height and meadowland with wild flowers along the edge of the mounds. This would bring in some biodiversity and interest for the families using the site.</p>
<b>Community Involvement</b>	<p>There is an active Friends Group with a new chairman who sponsor the tennis, show films to the community, have a lantern parade, bulb planting events and help out with ideas on projects and renovations. They have 30 - 40 people as members. They are looking into funding to improve the play area.</p> <p>There is a good relationship between the park staff and the friends.</p>	<p>Keep up the support for the Friends Group and their projects.</p>
<b>Marketing and Communication</b>	<p>There is marketing through the web and social media.</p>	<p>It would be good to see more publicity and marketing on site with the good use of notice boards.</p>
<b>Management</b>	<p>There is a good relationship between the friends' group and the park staff which helps the management of the site.</p>	<p>Projects on the site need to be progressed to keep up the standard.</p>

**Summary and additional comments:**

(Highlighting the result, and the main areas of strength and recommendation)

This is a lovely small family-oriented park. It is well used but is in need of some renovation and maintenance because of the wear and tear.

Great that the Friends Group are regrouping and I know the parks team will give them a lot of support.

The site is of Green Flag Standard.