



FEEDBACK REPORT: 2022-23

Name of Site	Paignton Park
Managing Organisation	Haringey Council
Date of Assessment	14 June 2022

OVERALL RESULT	Pass	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fail	<input type="checkbox"/>
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NOTES ABOUT THIS REPORT
<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 here for further information on the criteria.</p>

DESK ASSESSMENT

(Management plan and supporting documentation)

Criteria	Strengths	Recommendations
Presentation	<p>Plan set out against Green Flag criteria makes it clear and easy to assess.</p> <p>Good level of detail in most areas, for the site size.</p>	<p>Update plan to reflect new Green Flag criteria, this will make it easier to score the Management Plan.</p>
Health, Safety & Security	<p>Entrances, signage and public transport all detailed.</p>	<p>More information could be provided under Access for All.</p>

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Maintenance of Equipment, Buildings & Landscape	<p>In-house play repairs staff.</p> <p>Good detail on staffing structures, numbers and responsibilities.</p> <p>Good frequency of inspections.</p> <p>Frequent 'spotlight' meetings, involving community stakeholders in park management/maintenance.</p> <p>Good detail on scheduled maintenance standards.</p>	Borough-wide performance targets out-of-date.
Litter, Cleanliness, Vandalism	<p>Cleansing operations detailed.</p> <p>Options for reporting graffiti.</p>	
Environmental Management	Good management of green waste and use on site.	<p>Herbicides are being used, including Glyphosate; this does not meet Green Flag criteria.</p> <p>Not 100% peat free?</p>
Biodiversity, Landscape & Heritage	Conservation Action Plan (CAP) undertaken by TCV (expert contractor).	<p>Not many actions on the CAP being achieved.</p> <p>Biodiversity Action Plan is from 2009 and has not been updated as detailed in Management Plan?</p> <p>More detail on landscape/heritage could be provided?</p>
Community Involvement	<p>Events for <100 people are not charged.</p> <p>Some income from big events put back into community events fund.</p> <p>Regular borough-wide Friends Group Forum</p>	<p>Most community involvement info is generic for the whole borough and not specific to Paignton.</p> <p>Little info provided on Friends of Paignton and what they do.</p>
Marketing & Communication	Good range of marketing tools used, including Green Flag and Friends Forum.	Paignton Park survey for 2020 detailed; info out of date – did it go ahead

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Overall Management	<p>Allocated Parks Development Officer for the site.</p> <p>Parks Development and Operational staff divided across the same zones.</p> <p>Income from events ring-fenced for the park they were in.</p>	<p>Budget information well out-of-date.</p> <p>Says Action Plan will be reviewed in 2020 – out-of-date.</p> <p>A lot of 2021 and 2022 actions not started.</p>

FIELD ASSESSMENT

Criteria	Strengths	Recommendations
A Welcoming Place	<p>All entrances welcoming; litter free, well-maintained, open, entrance signage (including some bespoke), accessible, pathways in good repair, bike racks, nearby bus stops at main entrance.</p> <p>Small site so signage provided is appropriate and bespoke signage adds character.</p> <p>One notice board (50% of space given to Friends Group).</p> <p>Variety of landscapes within the park help make it feel welcoming for a variety of audiences e.g. planted areas, open space, seating, play.</p>	
Healthy, Safe & Secure	<p>Provision of large play area.</p> <p>Good sightlines; open site with lots of entrances.</p> <p>Chess board table and table tennis also provided.</p> <p>Good provision of seating (formal and informal) and picnic tables.</p>	<p>Play area surfacing repairs required (but scheduled) and some missing equipment to be replaced subject to funding.</p>
Well Maintained & Clean	<p>Site generally free of litter and grass cutting up-to-date.</p> <p>Facilities generally in good repair apart from surfacing equipment in play area (as detailed above).</p>	<p>Some graffiti seen.</p> <p>Some dog fouling seen.</p> <p>Some evidence of leafing not completed last autumn.</p> <p>Nettles in play area should be removed.</p> <p>Ensure watering regime in place, so that new planting doesn't fail.</p>
Environmental Management	<p>New planting grown in borough.</p> <p>Dual bins.</p>	<p>Ensure new planting is drought tolerant and biodiversity friendly.</p>

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	<p>Friends group undertake litter picking (litter pickers can be provided by council).</p> <p>Green waste from Friends Group activity collected/composted</p>	
Biodiversity Landscape & Heritage	<p>Long grass areas provided in play picnic area offering habitat for biodiversity, but also opportunities for more natural play.</p> <p>Long grass areas and wild edges.</p>	<p>Are there opportunities to increase biodiversity further as per CAP through Friends Group for relatively low cost?</p>
Community Involvement	<p>Site is used by groups from the adjacent community centre.</p> <p>Friends Group regularly attend borough-wide Friends Forum.</p> <p>Friends undertake activities and gardening in the park.</p>	<p>Encourage the Friends Group to attend judging, so that the judge can hear about their involvement directly.</p>
Marketing and Communication	<p>Up-to-date notices in notice board.</p>	<p>Is there opportunity to link more with the community centre, to encourage their use and increase health & wellbeing?</p>
Management	<p>Grounds maintenance being brought back in-house and good level of staffing to manage both operational and parks development delivery.</p>	<p>Ensure council keeps overall vision and management plan for site, through increased co-production with community.</p>

Summary and additional comments:

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

Good quality of management for size of site. Would be good to see more biodiversity improvements implemented.

Ensure appropriate provision of staff and stakeholders on judging day.