

Streatham Vale Park

Masterplan Strategy

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Introduction

This report describes an Outline Design and Masterplan for Streatham Vale Park based on extensive community consultation, details of which are included in the Appendices. It is intended to be used as both a strategy and design for the park.

The design is set within the broader context of the area and takes into consideration existing facilities such as playgrounds, green spaces within the locality, and access into the park.

The design was prepared by Groundwork Southwark through consultation with local residents July-August 2006. It is intended as a pre-cursor to develop the park as and when funds become available.

It uses a survey / analysis / opportunities format in order to describe the problems and explain the design outcomes.

It looks at a broad range of physical and social aspects of the space. The physical elements are broadly examined as below:

- entrances and links with the surrounds, how it integrates with the estate
- views into and out of the park, its aesthetic appearance
- circulation - what parts are used / not used
- its context within Streatham - what other green spaces and facilities exists and how does it serve the community

This is amalgamated with the results from the community consultation process. These seek to answer:

- how is the space used at present
- what are the difficulties
- what are the opportunities

A variety of techniques were used to involve the community in informing the masterplanning process:

- Door to Door
- School Projects
- Themed Workshops
- Mapping Exercise
- Public Consultation Event
- Photography Project

How does the park currently serve the community?

Adventure Playground

The adventure playground is the main formal play opportunity in the park, and consists of a wide range of equipment.

However the partitioning of the park into various functional zones has resulted in left over spaces with little aesthetic or amenity value, such as the grassed area in front of the adventure playground. This area is bordered by high pointed steel palisade fencing and is surfaced in a sea of tarmac – not currently a space that is easy to imagine using, either for formal or informal play.



Bowling Pavilion

The bowling pavilion is currently partially used as toilet block, the rest remaining unused.



Playground

There is a children's playground with various equipment but this area seems rather unappealing and slightly desolate.

Entrances and links with the surroundings

The park is a very enclosed space and is accessed by two very small, almost hidden entrances on Abercairn Road and an even smaller entrance on Lonesome Way. The park is itself somewhat hidden and is hardly visible from the outside. It is therefore a destination in itself - one goes to the park rather than passes through it. This is important when considering circulation into and through the park, and may also impact upon the numbers of people using the park.



The scale of the entrances off Abercairn Road cannot easily be improved, but there are opportunities to improve the physical and visual access from Lonesome Way. The current fencing creates an unsightly boundary and makes the park less appealing.

This boundary could be made secure with less intrusive means and the currently abandoned space where rubbish collects could be replanted or repaved.



Entrances Lonesome Way



Edge Along Lonesome Way



Entrance From Abercairn Road



Entrance From Abercairn Road

Views inside the park



View towards tennis courts
Paths are at a lower level from the courts so not easy to watch the games from the path



View along Lonesome Lane
The steel palisade fencing is unsightly and intimidating



View towards adventure playground
The large open area of old tarmac is not easily adapted to new functions



View looking north-east
The fence makes use of the space difficult as it is not easy to find entrances



Playground + Adventure Playground
The path corner is badly worn as people cut over the corner



One O'clock Club meets in buildings in the park



Views towards One O'clock Club from meeting place



View towards tennis courts from north-east
The view from this entrance is open and without fencing but the planting is small scale and the scene mostly tarmac and grass.

Circulation/Movement within the park

The park has been split up into various functions. Areas have been appropriated for an adventure playground, a children's play area, bowling green, youth house, tennis courts. All of these areas are bounded by fencing or hedging. These areas shut themselves off from other areas and the rest of the park. The result is the complete visual and functional segmentation of the park leading to the loss of the sense of the park as a complete entity. Many areas of the park are not accessible save to those who want to specifically go bowling or go to the adventure playground. Its role as an open green space is again greatly diminished.



Panoramic View of the Park

The current circulation follows the boundary edges, and these edges are poorly planted boundaries alongside unsightly concrete walls. Thus, the experience of being in a park is hugely diminished. The paths circumnavigate the park's spaces rather than inviting you into the spaces. Indeed the western path alongside the bowling green borders an edge of fly tipping and rubbish and is very unpleasant indeed.

The profusion of fences and barriers is very unsightly and destroys any sightlines within the park. This is a great shame as the park taken in its entirety is a large space with a large amenity and aesthetic potential.

Barriers to open movement within the park, and possibilities for improving internal access.

Three barriers divide the park up into a number of seemingly unrelated spaces: firstly the high tree edge barrier as you walk into the park; secondly the dog fence along most of the paths length; and thirdly the dense hedging segregating the bowling green. If these barriers were removed or reorganised then a new larger central space could be created. Some areas could still be fenced, but perhaps some could be opened up, to allow more flexible movement through the space.

Consultation aims and objectives

Aims:

- To discover how residents surrounding Streatham Vale Park currently use and perceive it
- To discover residents' preferences for the future use and design of the park

Objectives:

- To conduct a face-to-face survey of park users and residents immediately surrounding the park
- To conduct a comprehensive postal survey of residents of the roads surrounding the park
- To carry out an interactive mapping exercise with the local Granton Primary School
- To consult with young people using the Adventure Playground in the park
- To consult with users of the 1 o'clock club in the park
- To collate the survey results for use in informing the strategic masterplan for the recreation ground

Questionnaire

Door to Door & Postal Survey Method

Door to door consultation was carried out over a two week period with residents living within the Streatham Vale Park area. Door to door questionnaires were carried out by the GWSL Information and Consultation Officer with residents in the areas surrounding the park – see map. Properties further away from the park were given the same questionnaires to complete and return to GWSL with a freepost address. Approx 500 questionnaires were distributed in total, giving a 21% return rate. However, the residents who did take part in the survey were those who lived immediately around the site.

Area	No. of household responses	% of total households surveyed
Abercairn Road	69	66%
Aberfoyle Road	2	2%
Alanes Close	1	1%
Churchmore Road	6	6%
Donnybrook Road	1	1%
Eardley Road	3	3%
Edgington Road	2	2%
Fieldend Road	13	12%
Glenister Park Road	3	3%
Helmsdale Road	3	3%
Stockport Road	1	1%
Total	105	100%

Questionnaire Results

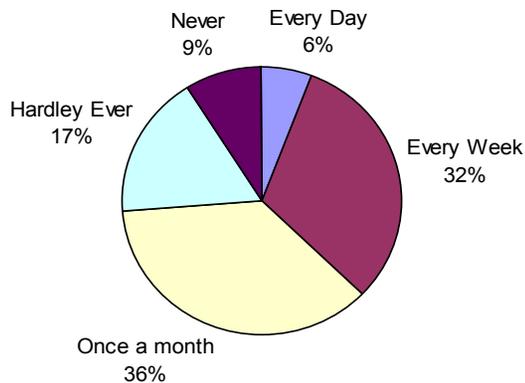
The questions fell into 2 categories – Using & Improving the Space; Getting Involved.

Using & Improving the Space

These questions were designed to find out how often residents use the space, what they use it for, and how they perceive the space, whether good or bad. Asking about likes and dislikes ensures that features that residents and visitors enjoy remain and are enhanced where possible and features that residents do not like can be removed if necessary

We asked 'How often do you use Streatham Vale Park'?

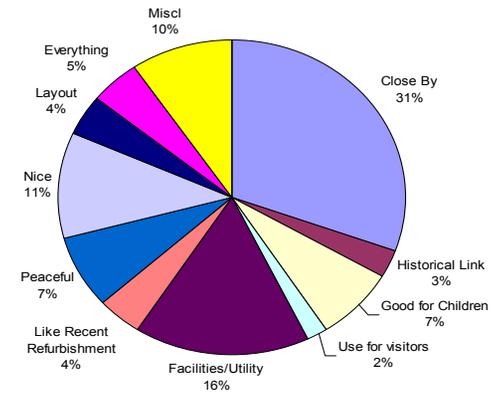
How often do you use this park?



We asked 'What do you use the park for?'

The three main uses for the site was for recreation (58%), as a short cut (12%) and the facilities (11%) i.e. the play project, play area and space to play ball games.

What do you like about the park?



Overwhelmingly, residents appreciated that the site was close by. Consultation showed that residents value the site's facilities (16%) ie play project, play area space and commented that it was nice (11%)

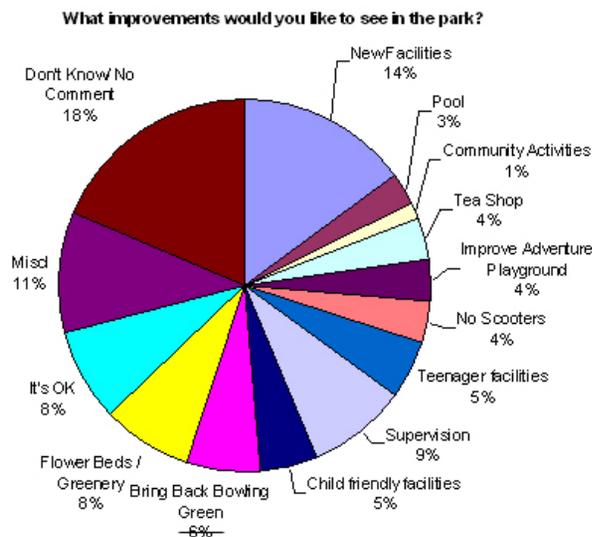
We asked 'What do you dislike about the park?'

Residents' complaints about the site related to park closing times, unable to use toilets, wasted use of the bowling hut, fences (miscl. 14%), scooters (13%) and safety (10%). However, the majority of responses to the question 'what do you dislike about the area?' were: 'nothing – it is fine as it is (28%) or 'I don't know'.

What improvements would you like to see in the park?

Respondents were asked what improvements they would like to see in the park. Answers to this question ensure that we are aware of residents needs and expectations of the site.

The majority of respondents (18%) had no comment. The next highest priority was improvements and implementing new facilities (14%) and supervision of the park (9%). All other suggestions relating to future improvements of the park held the same position in order of priority, many of the suggestions related to the provision of social spaces for the park e.g. tea shop, child friendly facilities and teenage facilities. Similarly, proposals to improve the existing facilities in the park were also suggested e.g., flower beds/greenery, improve adventurer play project.



Questionnaire conclusion and analysis.

Questionnaire results show that with minimum improvements, upgrading of existing facilities and extended use of underused facilities would be sufficient to make the park more accessible to a wider range of people. Surprisingly, consultation did not bring up entrances as a problem to accessing the park, this could be due to respondents feeling that there is nothing that can be done to improve existing entrances as they are located between houses.

The masterplan should take into considerations respondents views that the existing facilities and general positioning of the park is adequate. Improvements and refurbishments to facilities, greater supervision and attention to safety are minimum requirements of respondents.

Schools

See Appendix 1

Schools Consultation

Method

A session was held with Granton Primary School on 10 July 2006. This followed the format of an interactive question and answer session and mapping exercise designed to discover the children's desired outcomes for the park. There were 400 children addressed at the school assembly and 40 children involved in the question & answer session.

Results

How many children know where the park is?
60/400= 15%

Schools conclusion & analysis

The most popular new inclusions in the park from a school children's perspective were a sand pit (75%); Nature shop (45%); water slide (38%); water fountain (30%) and big slide (28%). Existing favourites were the swings (48%) and football lessons (25%).

Group discussion:

What do you like about the park?

Swings	19
Football lesson	10

If you had a million pounds what would you do in the park?

Employ Park Keepers	
Big Slide	11
More games	
Running track	
Swimming Pool	
Water Fountain	12
Bigger park	
Water slide	15
Football pitch	Toilets
Net	
Water Park	
Water	
Sand pit	

What to keep?

Big swings
Slide
Open space

Suggestions?

Totem Poles

Adventure Playground & Youth Club

See Appendix 2

Adventure Playground & Youth Club Consultation

Method

A session was held at the Adventure Playground in the Youth Club at Streatham Vale Park in August 2006. This aimed to get the ideas of children aged 5-11 on likes and dislikes of the park and improvements to the Adventure Playground. 28 children took part: 18 at this session and a further 10 on the same day as the One O'clock Club.

Mapping exercise

Children and youth were asked to demonstrate by pinning colour coded cocktail sticks onto a map what they liked and disliked about the different areas of the park.

Camera project

Children and youth were given a yes camera and no camera to take pictures of what they did/did not like around the park. See Appendix 3

Conclusion

Main dislikes about the playground centred around safety, both from older children and from wet or damaged equipment. The toilets were disliked because they smelt and were poorly kept. The adventure playground was very well liked due to equipment quality.

Mapping exercise results

Place	Dislikes	Likes
Adventure Playground		Because the slides are bigger
		I like the adventure playground because of the apparatus
Playground	I don't like the swings because you might get beaten up	I like the playground because I could play football
	When it's wet people can fall of things	
	I don't like the concrete because the kids could fall off and hurt themselves	
	I don't like the park because bigger people graffiti on the frames	
	I don't like the equipment because it is rusty	
Bowls Green	No Comment	
Toilets	I don't like the toilets because they smell	
	No toilet tissues	
	Smelly toilets need air freshener	
Tennis Courts		Because you can play tennis
Youth Centre		I like the PS2

One O'clock Club

See Appendix 2

One o'clock club consultation

Method

A session was held at the One O'Clock Club at Streatham Vale Park on 31 August 2006. This aimed to get a physical representation of areas liked and disliked from parents by asking them to place comments on a map of the park with cocktail sticks. 7 mothers and 10 children aged 5-12 yrs were consulted on the same day at the Adventure Playground.

Results

Responses covered likes and dislikes concerning:

- Pathways & entrances
- Bowling Green
- Travellers' Site
- 1 o'clock club
- Youth Club
- Adventure playground
- Playground
- Open space
- Tennis court

One o'clock club conclusion

Main likes were the pathways, the safety and activities of the one o'clock and youth clubs the equipment in the playgrounds and the tennis courts. Dislikes were the entrances and lack of signposting, disused space at the bowling green, anti social behavior including burning and dog fouling.

Suggested Improvements

Streatham Vale Park Consultation

50 meters

1 IMPROVE ENTRANCE SPACE

2 CREATE VIEWS AND OPEN SPACE

3 SCREENING

4 ENCLOSED PLAY AREA

5 BETTER USE OF EXISTING BUILDINGS

6 CREATE CENTRAL SPINE

7 FORMAL PLEASURE GARDENS

8 IMPROVE EDGE ALONG LONESOME WAY

9 IMPROVE ACCESS

1 IMPROVE ENTRANCE SPACE

Existing space

Seating in entrance spaces

Improve the entrance / threshold space by removing tarmac and the creation of seating.

2 CREATE VIEWS AND OPEN SPACE

REMOVE SEMI-CIRCULAR TREES AND SHRUBS. The semi-circle of trees and shrubs prevents access to the main body of the park and blocks the view across the park.

EXISTING DOG FENCING. The extensive existing dog fencing around the open green space is excessive and segments the park. Remove this and reposition around smaller enclosed play area. Provide dog litter along the path to cater for dog walkers.

3 SCREENING

Trees blocking access and view

Obtrusive fencing

TREE AVENUE. A central spine will draw people into the centre of the park rather than simply around the edges. It will unify the park and create a dramatic connecting structure. The trees will screen the unsightly metal pallisade fencing around the adventure playground

4 ENCLOSED PLAY AREA.

Unightly fencing

Trees line will help screen fencing

A dog free area enclosed by fencing containing play equipment. The tree avenue will screen the fencing.

5 BETTER USE OF EXISTING BUILDINGS

Existing buildings

BOWLING GREEN HUT. The bowling green hut, whose toilets are currently being restored, can be further enhanced to include a cafe or meeting area. There should be an indoor / outdoor space, be this a terrace connected to the building or similar construct. This would increase the flexibility and use of the building by providing a larger area when required.

EXISTING PLAY AREA BUILDINGS. Improve the versatility of the buildings by increasing their and / or amalgamating the two buildings.

6 CREATE CENTRAL SPINE

The park should be opened up and the full potential realised. Upon entering the park, the visitor will be presented with clear, uninterrupted views across it. The park is big enough to create quite dramatic views and a feeling of openness and space.

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND. The extension of the tree avenue beyond the adventure playground and, if possible, into it, will screen the unsightly metal pallisade fence

PLAY AREA. The play area needs to be enclosed by a dog proof fence. The fence will be partly screened by the tree avenue and its visual impact greatly diminished.

7 FORMAL PLEASURE GARDENS

The area in front of the Bowling Green Hut, currently a disused bowling green, can become formal gardens. Visitors can walk through them or simply enjoy the view from the Hut itself.

8 IMPROVE EDGE ALONG LONESOME WAY

Neglected edge

INCLUDE NEGLECTED EDGE LAND. Incorporate the edge land along Lonesome way with, for example, interesting planting. This would greatly enhance the experience of walking along the path at this location.

9 IMPROVE ACCESS

Existing entrance

NEW ENTRANCE FROM LONESOME WAY. A new entrance into the park from Lonesome Way. It should be of the correct large scale but also prevent unwanted vehicle access.

IMPROVE EXISTING ENTRANCE. Enhance existing unsightly entrance. As above, it should prevent unwanted access by scooters and other vehicles.

Example entrance

Summary of Suggested Improvements

See Appendix 4 for comments

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The majority of people agreed with the new entrances on Lonesome way and improved signage for the site. Concerns were raised about the need for security and better lighting in this area. The benefits of the entrance to park users according to consultation will be the ability to use wheelchairs, double buggies and disabled access, as well as giving a more visible entrance to the park.

Concerns about motorcycles entering the park via this new entrance needs to be looked at further with discussions taking into account the benefits to existing and potential parks users mentioned above. An additional entrance has been included in Bennett Close to accommodate the later closing times of the adventure playground during the Autumn and Winter.

Create views and open spaces

Respondents liked the idea of creating views and improving the aesthetics of the park, requests were made to make the park less linear in design.

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Screening

People felt that screening in the park may not be practical or necessary and give the park a feeling of being unsafe. People wanted to ensure trees were well spaced out with clear lines of sight and any trees planted should be kept along the sides of the park to give residents whose gardens backed onto the park more privacy. Screening has been removed from the design and climbers along residents back gardens have been included to give them a sense of privacy from the park.

Enclosed play area

There was no dispute over the need for a more enclosed, smaller, defined children's play area that was dog free. People wanted to see more spaces where dogs were prohibited and there should not be an equal division of dog free spaces and dog walking spaces (dog free spaces should be given priority).

Better use of existing buildings

There was strong support for a café space in the bowling green hut. This space could also be used as a community space, somewhere where adults and parents can go to socialise.

Create central spine

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Formal pleasure gardens

The majority of responses liked the idea of a formal gardens and suggested inclusion of sensory plants for elderly and those with SEN as well as plants that will encourage diverse flora and fauna for school use.

Improve edge along lonesome way

It was agreed that the security along this area should be improved.

Consultation Recommendations

Based on the collective findings of these consultation activities as presented in this report, the following 8 recommendations are made:

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Proposal: Next Steps Forward

Working with Groundwork Southwark & Lambeth, Friends of Streatham Vale Park to seek funding to carry out public consultation outcomes listed in the Masterplan developed by Groundwork last year. Groundwork to work alongside a newly formed Steering Group to include Friends of Streatham Vale Park, Local Residents, Local Councillors, LB Lambeth, local community organisations.

Overall aim:

- Create a Feasibility Study identifying community priorities of the Streatham Vale Park Masterplan and support Friends Group to develop and widen their base.

Objectives:

- Capacity build by working together with Streatham Vale Friends Group throughout to develop current skills
- Widen Friends Group by inviting residents to join process of developing Streatham Vale Park, increasing involvement from a wide representation of the community
- Engage residents in prioritising improvements contained in the masterplan
- Based on consultation produce a Feasibility Study detailing community priorities for the park

Appendix 1

**Streatham Vale Consultation
Granton Primay School, Granton Road SW16.
10th July 2006**

Students were asked to demonstrate by pinning colour coded cocktail sticks onto a map what they liked and disliked about the different areas of the park.

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Place	Dislike	Like
Open Area (Behind Adventure Playground)	The big people go to the big part and act like gangsters, they scare me!!!	I like to play football
		Activities in the park
		The swings where you jump and you go up and down
Grass Area (next to Play Area)		I like the green to play football
		Because you can ply freely with your dogs
		I like the grass because I can walk my dog
Seating (Next to exit)		I like the quiet areas
		I like the spots around to make it nice
General	I don't like the path	
	Footpath – because you could get lost	
	I don't like the gate	
	I don't like the dog poo	Because you can play lots of games out there
	I don't like the toilet because it smells	

Appendix 2

Mapping Exercise at Streatham Vale Park 2pm-4pm 24th and 31st August 2006

	Likes 1 o'clock club	Likes Youth	Dislikes 1 o'clock club	Dislikes Youth	Suggestions 1 o'clock club	Suggestions Youth
Pathways + Entrances	Pathways make you walk, it's good. Makes you see everything.	Like walking on pathways	Entrances are not obvious. There should be a sign for the 1 o'clock club at the entrance.			
Bowling Green				The bowls green does not get used	What is happening to the Bowling Green?	Bowling pit should be a football pitch
Travellers' Site			Gypsies burn things, smoke pours into the park (site).	I don't like the gypsies coming into the adventure playground and messing up everything.		
1 o'clock club	1 o'clock club is good. 1 o'clock club safe place, no dogs Good for kids			1 (is) carp (Crap)	Good fence in 1 o'clock club to be secure. Mores suitable hut for children. Bigger!	
Youth Club		I like the arts and crafts Good Activities I like all the workers and people who cum here			Don't like (the building)	
Adventure Playground	I like the equipment	It's good		I don't like the gypsies coming into the adventure playground and messing up everything.	Equipment Strengthened	More Player Area Make pitch bigger (inside the adventure playground there is a football pitch)
Playground	Good Playground.		Groves (in fence) too big (surrounding) playground. Separate grass (area) to separate dogs Dangerous Dogs + Fowling	I don't like the dogs coming through	More play equipment 0-8 year olds	More Equipment
Open Space		Nothing Needs Changing		I don't like the dogs coming through Move trees Divider between playing football on grass + play area		Football Pitch More Equipment More Trees
Tennis Court		(Like the) Tennis Court				

Appendix 3

Camera Project at Streatham Vale Park
2pm-4pm
24th August 2006



Appendix 4

Summary of_Suggested_Improvements

Granton Primary, 19th September 2006, 6:30 – 8pm

Bowling Green Hut, 27th September 2006, 2:30-4:30pm

Total attendance **19**

Tell us what you think!

After looking at the proposals for improvements 1- 9 on the consultation board Map, people were asked to “tell us what you think” by placing positive comments on a **pink** post it note and negative comments on a **yellow** post it note.

There was also space for other suggestions not represented on the Map to be given, written up under general comments.

	PINK	YELLOW
1	Better lighting for entrance, signs to what's in the park Creating a new entrance from Lonesome side is a excellent idea	More security to counter the menacing presence of those that are up to no good. My son was set upon there and it put the whole family of visiting
2	Café is a great idea at the moment the par is only used from 12 – 3pm. The playgroup building is in great need of refurbishment – outdoor area needs soft flooring throughout, create views and open space but do not totally get rid of plants flowers outdoor paddling pool would be nice Create views ad open space. This I like because you can see the full view of th park and alos dogs need somewhere away from Childrens play area Very keen on ?? along fencing – circular but as the res is So linear	I'd like to keep the semi circle area to break up the lines Dogs should not be allowed in the enclosed area at any time No trees to stay PLEASE – birds/squirrel habitat Yes BUT need to be well spaced to make sure sight lines are good Screening not practical no moe trees leav existing ones.
3	Anything is better than what we have at present. Screen – If trees are spaced out and maintained this could open out the park. Trees near tennis court and around bowling alley will need to be reduced. Anything is better than what we have at present.	
4	The balance between dog and dog free areas in the proposals doesn't seem right. There needs to be more of a dog free area. Enclosed play area, again safety and security improved/facilities can relax and all enjoy visit Play area – please consult with Lambeth sports and local sports clubs as almost no facilities in the area	
5	Like a good idea but is it viable? Would anyone be interested? A café would definitely improve the facility. It would offer a place of respite for adults. I don't like to take the child out and over to the shops. It would be lovely to make use of the buildings especially if this was turned into a café as this would enable mums and other park users to socialise more and provide a more relaxing area for everyone.	I would like to use the bowling green hut as our 1'oclock club as it's a better structure to what we have and safer for our kids. There was a tea place – it's gone – were more people using it then. The bowling green club should be used for the One O' Clock Club, as it is bigger inside, as with the current One O'clock there are blind spots where children can't be seen.
6	Community use for bowling hut would be wonderful. Better use of existing buildings. Formal gardens would be great for the pensioners. At the moment they only come to walk their dogs. They should be able to appreciate the area too. Formal pleasure garden would be a great restful area. Creating of Central Spire. It will improve beauty of part and supply more fresh pure O2 to breath. Better use of existing buildings – hut used as a community hall/a youth centre for old children. Very good – Idea. Would like the park to be more welcoming. Yes	Hmmm... Careful, small space needs to be opened up to increa size and increased safety and confidence.
7	Yes excellent. Lovely – perhaps also using sensory plants – smells etc could be good for encouraging pensioners, especially if can be used to improve building. Somewhere to sit amongst Pleasure Gardens. Create a Central Spine. Much more open feel/more friendly	Central spine. Not sure, might feel unsafe. More circles rather than angles. What happened to bowling area, needs maintenance and management and organised events but producers activity and populates park. NA sure what 'pleasure garden' is – could be good read clarity.
8	Please do this it would make for security.	
9	The entrance there now is a great great improvement and what was there in the past – If planning and change – security of prime important. Play area should be enclosed. Better use of existing building Formal pleasure gardens. Improve entrance space Improve access Improved access along Lonesome Way would be good as it looks unwelcoming and is not a very child friendly or practical entrance at the moment. Access is key! New visible entrance. Very good idea so many people say don't even know park exists. A new look for the entrance would be welcome. It would make the park look more inviting. Gate by traveller site godsend – can't bring their animals in. Better lighting for entrance, signs to what is in the park. Creating a new entrance from lonesome slide is an excellent idea.	New entrance from Lonesome Way. Security would be reduced. Improve existing entrance.- yes Unless you live close to the park. People will not necessary see the new park gate as a new entrance. Gate stops me using my pram. More security to counter the menacing prescence of those that are up to no good. My son was set upon there and it put the whole family off visiting it.

General Comments

PINK

I think we should try to have more supplies for the toilets because if you have a child who needs to go to the toilet they are not going to want to go here because its not clean so I hope we get more supplies

Jazz up the play area

There needs to be proper maintenance and up keep otherwise the avenue of trees would not last long

Tennis courts – great need to be promoted and maintained, general up keep of park

Please keep tennis courts, however need to promote this more

I would like to see skateboarding ramps for kids and a basketball court

I have an 18 month old - (unreadable)

Could security be considered especially during times when vandals are liable to be around?

YELLOW

Question circle of trees, rather than spin, need to break up trees wherever possible as so much is restricted and very much 180o and 90o visually