Appendix 1

Parks and Open Spaces Consultation Results

Broxtowe Parks Standard

As part of its commitment to protect the 'Environment for the Future', the Corporate Plan emphasises the importance of ensuring that **all** parks and open spaces meet the Broxtowe Parks Standard. Having a uniform standard across all the sites is seen as a fair and positive way of improving the quality and visitor experience of the parks and open spaces.

The questions asked in the survey were as follows:

- 1. What is your overall impression of the park/open space?
- 2. How effective is the signage?
- 3. How would you rate the standard of cleanliness?
- 4. How clean is the site in terms of dog fouling?
- 5. How easy is it for you to get around? (for example, are there enough paths and in the right places)
- 6. How would you rate the standard of grass cutting?
- 7. How would you rate the play facilities provided? (Not applicable for Hemlockstone, as this site is a nature reserves)
- 8. How do the current facilities meet the needs of your activity on the park/open space?
- 9. How are issues with vandalism and anti-social behaviour dealt with?
- 10. Thinking about the approach to nature and wildlife, how would you rate this aspect of the park/open space management? (For example tree planting, wildflowers)
- 11. How likely are you to visit the park again or recommend it to friends and family? (1 being very unlikely, 5 being very likely)

In 2023, the parks and open spaces consultation received 381 responses, which resulted in two spaces failing the parks standard. These were:

- Redbridge Drive Open Space, Nuthall
- Archers Field Recreation Ground, Stapleford

Any failures from the previous year get carried over to the following year's consultation process. However, the decision was taken not to consult on Redbridge Drive. This is due to the site consistently receiving a low number of responses rendering any results as statistically insignificant.

Throughout the summer of 2024, a consultation was undertaken to evaluate 20% of the parks and open spaces across the Borough (including Archers Field, Stapleford that failed the previous year).

The consultation process involved an online questionnaire, which received 450 responses this is an 18% increase on the previous year.

The survey was promoted on the Council's website, through social media and with posters displaying a QR code at all the participating parks and open spaces.

All sites are also inspected by officers from the Parks team to assess any concerns raised through the consultation process. This was to ensure that the scores achieved truly reflected the condition of each site.

Analysis of the 2024 Parks Standard Consultation

Twelve parks and open spaces sites were selected to be assessed from the 10 July to 30 August 2024.

Area	Site Name	Fair and above (85% pass rate)	Good and above (45% pass rate)
Attenborough	Long Lane Recreation Ground	87%	56%
Beeston	Dovecote Lane Recreation Ground	93%	69%
Beeston	Weirfields Recreation Ground	88%	56%
Bramcote	Alexandrina Plantation/Sandy Lane	88%	59%
Chilwell	Inham Nook Recreation Ground	88%	60%
Eastwood/Greasley	Coronation Park	87%	62%
Eastwood/Greasley	Mansfield Road Recreation Ground	91%	57%
Kimberley	Hall om Wong Open Space	85%	62%
Stapleford	Archers Field Recreation Ground	78% - F	47%
Stapleford	Central Avenue Recreation Ground	77% - F	40% - F
Stapleford	Hemlockstone Open Space	90%	50%
Toton	Banks Road Open Space	91%	59%
Table 1: Results from the 2024 Parks Standards Survey, $F = Fail$			

The results from the survey are shown in table 1

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Parks and Open spaces failing to achieve less than 85% (Fair and above)

- Archers Field, Stapleford (78%)
- Central Avenue Recreation Ground, Stapleford (77%)

Parks and Open spaces failing to achieve less than 45% (Good and above)

• Central Avenue Recreation Ground, Stapleford (40%)

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Analysis for sites failing to achieve the Parks Standard

Archers Field, Stapleford

There were a total of 41 responses for the ten survey themes. This equates to 9% of the overall response rate. The results for the park are shown in Figure 1.

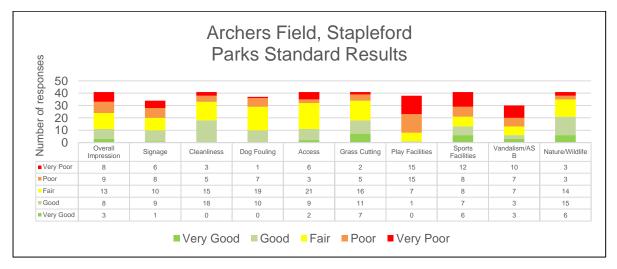


Figure 1: Archers Field, Stapleford Park Standard responses.

41% of respondents said that the overall impression for Archers Field was either poor or very poor. The main concerns for the space fall around play facilities (79% responded poor or very poor), Sports facilities (49% responded poor or very poor) and vandalism/ASB (57% responded poor or very poor). It should be noted that not all respondents gave an answer on each theme.

Central Avenue Recreation Ground

There were a total of 31 responses for the ten survey themes. This equates to 7% of the overall response rate. The results for the park are shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2: Central Avenue Recreation Ground, Stapleford Park Standard responses.

35% of respondents said that the overall impression for Central Avenue Recreation Ground was either poor or very poor. The main concerns for the space fall around play facilities (48% responded poor or very poor), Sports facilities (42% responded poor or very poor) and vandalism/ASB (57% responded poor or very poor). It should be noted that not all respondents gave an answer on each theme.

Consultation comments for each site

Attenborough - Long Lane Recreation Ground. Users would like to see more bins on site along with further provision of play equipment for older children.

Beeston - Dovecote Lane Recreation Ground. A high scoring site. Users found this a great well maintained space to exercise and for family activities. Users thought the park provided a peaceful space to rest even at peak times.

Beeston - Weirfields Recreation Ground. Site is primarily used for football and received positive comments around the standard of grounds maintenance. Users also made positive comments on the cleanliness of the site and praised the cleansing teams for excellent work.

Bramcote - Alexandrina Plantation/Sandy Lane. Users commented on how clean the site is and that Friends of Bramcote Ridge played an important role in helping to achieve a well maintain the site.

Chilwell - Inham Nook. Popular site with users commenting that they use the open space every day. Positive comments around how the space is utilised with a good mix of woodland, relaxed mowing and native wild flowers alongside a play are and skate park.

Eastwood/Greasley - Coronation Park. Positive comments that the site was a good open space for children and dog walkers along with a great alternative route to the Eastwood Town Centre. Users would like to see upgrades to the play area that will hopefully be addressed in the coming Pride in Parks projects.

Eastwood/Greasley - Mansfield Road Recreation Ground. Another high scoring site. Users liked how well maintained this space was and commented that it was a nice local retreat.

Kimberley - Hall om Wong Open Space. Users have suggested improvements to some of the paths, more bins and additional toddlers play equipment.

Stapleford - Archers Field Recreation Ground. This is one of the two spaces that did not pass the Parks Standard. Users wanted a play area and a full circular tarmacadam footpath. There were some positive comments about the more natural areas of the space and the efforts of the Council for increasing the tree numbers along with the managed grasslands. The Environment team will be working with Communities to tackle the ASB. Play equipment and sports facilities concerns will be addressed during the Play Strategy refresh

Stapleford - Central Avenue Recreation Ground. This was the second space to not pass the Parks Standard. Users highlighted concerns over anti-social behaviour

and suggested it would benefit from some items for older children as the equipment is focused more for toddlers and infants. The Environment team will be working with Communities to tackle the ASB. Play equipment and sports facilities concerns will be addressed during the Play Strategy refresh.

Stapleford - Hemlockstone Open Space. Users commented that the bike tracks were well used and well maintained by all ages, but the site would benefit from further new signage in addition to the recent replacements.

Toton - Banks Road Open Space. Second highest scoring site. Users commented that the site was lovely, clean, paths are well maintained, and there is plenty of bins that are emptied frequently