



A spatial and investment plan for the next 20 years









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Vision for Green Space in Bristol

A City with good quality, attractive, enjoyable and accessible green spaces which meet the diverse needs of all Bristol citizens and visitors.

Source: Parks and Green Space Strategy 2008



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Section 1.

Introduction

This draft Ideas and Options Paper is for the Neighbourhood Partnership Area of Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East. It sets out ideas for investing in green spaces over the next 20 years to ensure everyone has easy access to a range of good quality green spaces with new and improved facilities, such as children's playgrounds, sports pitches, young people's facilities and wildlife areas. It will also identify if any green space is no longer needed and can be disposed of to fund improvements to other spaces.

In drawing up these options local groups and experts have given their views. We would now like feedback from all Bristol residents - your views are important and will inform a final Area Green Space Plan for your area.



Consultation on the Ideas and Options Paper for Cabot, Clifton & Clifton East - how to make your comments.

We would like your views on all the ideas and options presented. You can make comments and give us your own ideas. We will not be able to afford all the ideas presented in the plans so we would also like to know which spaces and types of facility you would like to see us invest in first. Your views will inform a final Area Green Space Plan which will set down improvements and priorities over the next 20 years.

To make the most of your opportunity to comment we suggest you look at the Ideas and Options paper before you start to complete the questionnaire. You can chose to comment on all the spaces or select those you are most interested in.

The public consultation is open for 20 weeks and will end on 29th October 2010

All ideas and options are open for comment.

How to make your comments

There are a number of ways you can submit comments to us; via a questionnaire online, by obtaining a paper copy of the questionnaire or by visiting one of our drop in sessions.

Online at www.bristol.gov.uk/agsp

You can view the Ideas and Options paper and complete a questionnaire online. If you do not have Internet access you can visit any of our libraries or customer service points which offer free Internet access.

Paper and cd versions

Alternatively paper and cd versions of the Ideas and Options Paper and questionnaire are available from:

Bristol City Council, Parks, Colston 33, Colston Avenue, Bristol BS1 4UA Or by telephoning: 0117 922 3719

Or by e-mailing: Park.Strategy@bristol.gov.uk

Drop in sessions

A drop-in session is being organised for each Neighbourhood Partnership Area - this gives the opportunity to see the document and talk through the ideas with council officers. For details about when these drop-in sessions will be held got to www.bristol.gov.uk/agsp, call 0117 922 3719 or email: Park.Strategy@bristol.gov.uk

Available to view

Paper versions of the Ideas and Options papers are available to view at all Bristol libraries. customer service points and The Council House, College Green, Central Bristol, BS1 5TR.

What happens next

The views put forward during this consultation will help to inform a final Area Green Space Plan for your area. All views put forward by the public will be analysed and carefully considered, following the close of the consultation on 29th October. Final Area Green Space Plans will be drafted and further comment will be sought from key stakeholders and Neighbourhood Partnerships. The current aim is to adopt the final Area Green Space Plans early in 2011.

In addition to Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East, Ideas and Options Papers are also available for comment on the following areas:

- Knowle, Filwood and Windmill Hill;
- Hengrove and Stockwood;
- Hartcliffe, Withywood and Bishopsworth;
- Bedminster and Southville:
- Brislington East and West;
- Henleaze, Westbury on Trym and Stoke Bishop;
- Avonmouth and Kingsweston;
- Henbury and Southmead;
- Redland, Cotham and Bishopston;
- Horfield and Lockleaze:
- Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill;
- Eastville, Frome Vale and Hillfields; and
- St George East and West.

Other consultations you may be interested in

The Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Options Document are also out to consultation up until Friday, 29 October 2010. This document suggests specific sites in the city which may be developed to provide new homes, jobs or shops in your area. It also proposes land to be protected for open space, industry, nature conversation and shopping. In terms of green space, while the Area Green Space Plans cover publicly accessible green space only, the Site Allocations will include consideration of a wider range of green space in the city including allotments and grazing land. Visit www.bristol.gov.uk/siteallocations or email bdf@bristol.gov.uk or call 0117 903 6725.



Section 2. How does the Ideas and Options Paper fit into the plans for green space and wider citywide planning?

Playing Pitch Strategy

The Playing Pitch Strategy (PPS) is a sub-strategy of the Parks and Green Space Strategy and is the technical document which contains proposals for formally organised outdoor sport across Bristol.

It is based on a careful evaluation and review of demand and supply based on a full audit of pitches, users and providers within the city. The evaluation included all pitches in Bristol including parks, school playing fields, private sector facilities and those run by further education organisations. The PPS advocates the creation of larger multi-pitch and multi-sport sites and greater use of school playing fields. The Playing Pitch Strategy can be viewed online at www.bristol.gov.uk/parkstrategy

Parks and Green **Space Strategy**

Bristol's Parks and Green Space Strategy was adopted by Cabinet on 21st February 2008. The strategy sets out an ambitious plan over the next 20 years for ensuring that people have access to good quality parks and green spaces of different types, close to where they live.

The strategy contains service management policies and a set of standards for the provision of publicly accessible green space. There are three specific standards:

Quality standard: a level of quality which all spaces should attain

Distance standard: how far people should have to travel to reach a particular type of space

Quantity standard – how much green space of different types there should be

These standards have been applied during the development of Area Green Space Plans and the ideas and options paper associated with them.

To view the strategy and find out more about the standards go to www.bristol.gov.uk/parkstrategy

Area Green Space Plans

Area Green Space Plans are one of the first steps in implementing the Parks and Green Space Strategy. They will detail changes to green space over a 20 year period – setting out what space is required, what type of investment is needed such as children's play and sports pavilions and identifying any significant change such as new entrances, footpaths or car parking.

Step 1

Ideas and options paper **Currently out for consultation**

The Ideas and Options papers put forward ideas for making these changes in each area of the city. They are based on the policies and standards adopted in the Parks and Green Space Strategy, as well as responding to the specific proposals for active organised sport laid out in the Playing Pitch Strategy. They have been put together taking into account the views of local stakeholders, expert advice and the needs of other projects such as Cycling City.

Step 2 **Final Area Green Space Plan**

Feedback from the Ideas and Options paper consultation will inform a final Area Green Space Plan which the council aims to adopt by early 2011.

Park Improvement Plan

These will be produced for parks over the 20 year period as money becomes available and according to the priorities set out in Area Green Space Plans. These will be subject to further local consultation.

Park Management Plans

(Capital Spend and day to day management). These will be subject to further local consultation.

The Bristol Development Framework

Bristol City Council is producing a new suite of planning documents to guide development decisions in the city over a 20-year period. The Bristol Development Framework (BDF) will set out how the city will grow to accommodate 30,000 new homes for an increasing population. New employment and commercial opportunities will be needed and new transport links are expected to connect growing residential and employment centres. Together these documents make up the BDF, which will replace the Local Plan.

The council has undertaken and commissioned a range of studies and assessments to provide a robust evidence base for the preparation of the Bristol Development Framework. The Parks and Green Space Strategy will act together with Area Green Space Plans to provide the evidence base for publicly accessible open spaces.

Area Green Space Plans are being drawn up at the same time as the Council develops two key documents within the BDF - the Core Strategy and the Site Allocations and Development Management Plan.

The Site Allocations and Development Management Policies Development Plan Document will establish site-specific planning policies, allocate sites for development, and set out the protection of areas sensitive to change.

If you require any further information please contact the Strategic Policy Team on 0117 903 6725 or bdf@bristol.gov.uk



What green space will the Area Green Space Plan cover?

An Area Green Space Plan will consider only green spaces for which there is legitimate public access and which provide recreational benefit (publicly accessible green space). In line with the Parks and Green Space Strategy the Area Green Space Plan will consider five different types of space described below. This Ideas and Options paper has been drawn up using these categories and definitions.

Type of space and key attributes Map key (Legend)

Children and young people's space



These are spaces specifically designed to increase opportunities for children and young people to play or meet safely within equipped and unequipped environments. Sub-types include, wheels parks, games areas, children's play space.

Formal green space



Sites with a consciously organised layout whose aim is aesthetic enjoyment. This can include sweeping landscapes such as the Repton landscapes of the historic estates, to ornamental gardens which include flower beds and features such as statues.

Informal green space



Informal in layout and character, where the emphasis is on informal recreation. They generally have few or no additional facilities.

Natural green space



Sites providing people with access to, and experience of nature.

It includes woodland, grassland, scrub, hedgerows and wetland.

Active sports space



Those areas which are used for a variety of organised and competitive sports.

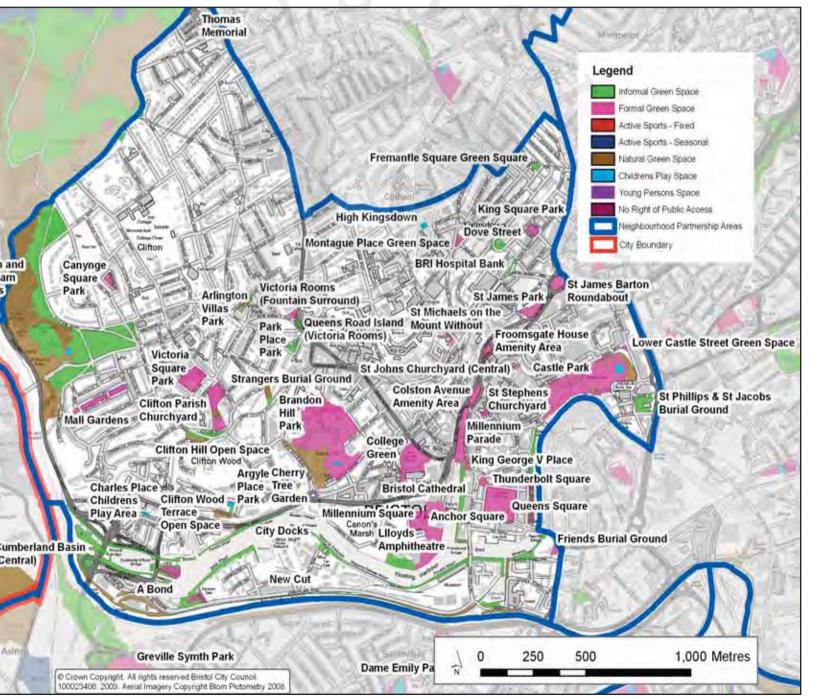
What isn't included in an Area Green Space Plan?

The Area Green Space Plan will not consider green spaces that are not freely accessible to the public, including allotments, city farms, school grounds, or Sites of Nature Conservation in private ownership.

In addition it excludes small pieces of land that don't serve any recreational purpose such as road verges and small areas within housing.

However the contribution of all these spaces to the urban green infrastructure of the city for wildlife, leisure and gardening is recognised and taken into account when drawing up these plans.

The publicly accessible spaces considered by the Parks and Green Space Strategy as outlined in 2008.



Green Space in Cabot, Clifton & Clifton East

The Area Green Space Plan is defined by the boundaries of the Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership area - itself defined by the three electoral wards.

There is a wide range of open spaces in the area, not all green, including the key city centre public open spaces of Queens Square and Castle Park, plus the walkways and spaces around the harbour. The events on these spaces attract visitors from throughout the world. Other important public spaces away from the centre include Brandon Hill, a section of the Downs, Birdcage Walk and Victoria Square, both in the heart of Clifton.

In addition to the public open space there are a number of large, privately owned spaces spread throughout the area, including Goldeney Hall Gardens and Royal Fort Gardens, owned by the University, Berkeley Square, the playing fields belonging to Clifton High School and Bristol Grammar School plus the Zoological Gardens. In Clifton there are numerous private communal gardens within the areas of Georgian housing.

The Area Green Space Plan considers only the public open space element of this. The map here shows the spaces in this Neighbourhood Partnership Area as outlined in the Parks and Green Space Strategy 2008.



What changes have been made to the spaces being considered in this Neighbourhood Partnership Area

During detailed consultation with stakeholders and further analysis of the spaces, some changes have been made as to which spaces or parts of spaces are considered publicly accessible and which are not.

In addition to the spaces already identified as publicly accessible in 2008 the following spaces will be added:

will be added:	will be added:		Because of this the space is very	
space	Why?		unlikely to remain publicly available for the next 20 years.	
Cathedral Walk	This is a new, formally laid out space within the harbourside development. It has been adopted by the city council for the		It will however continue to be considered as part of the Area Gren Space Plan while it remains undeveloped and accessible.	
Open Space at Pooles Wharf	purposes of maintenance. This space is not publicly owned but the planning consent for the	Verges along the southern edge of Belgrave Road	These strips of grass do not function as public open space but are essentially part of the highway corridor.	
housing	development is conditioned to the effect that the space must remain open to the public.	Traffic Island in Cliftonwood	The small size of this space and the surrounding roads inhibits its function as public open space.	
		Traffic Island infront of the Victoria rooms	This space is surrounded by busy roads and there are no pedestrian crossings that allow public access.	

The following spaces identified originally as public open space are no longer considered to be and will not be considered as part of an Area Green Space Plan for this area:

This site is affected by a long

earlier proposal for a performing arts space is no longer being pursued but a mixed public and

office use is now being considered.

standing planning policy

Why?

Millennium Square designation for development. An

space

'Performing Arts

Space', adjacent to



Cathedral Walk - Harbourside



Pooles Wharf - Harbourside



Belgrave Road verges - Clifton



Victoria Rooms traffic island - Clifton



How does the Area Green Space Plan link to other neighbouring Neighbourhood Partnership Areas

Although Neighbourhood Partnership Areas are used for open space planning, it is recognised they provide an artificial boundary in terms of where people visit. In drawing up this Ideas and Options Paper, the proximity and use of spaces in neighbouring areas has been taken into account.

It is also recognised that people from across the city use the destination parks of Ashton Court Estate, Blaise and Kingsweston, Hengrove Play Park and Oldbury Court Estate & Snuff Mills, city centre spaces and sports facilities for organised sport, and that often people travel to visit other spaces outside their Neighbourhood Partnership Area. During stakeholder consultation local people told us they used The Downs, Ashton Court Estate and the play facilities at St. Pauls Play Park. However, overall, peoples attachment to the spaces nearest to them within this Neighbourhood Partnership Area was strong.

To the south and west cycle and pedestrian routes connect to spaces outside the Neighbourhood Partnership Area.

To the south The Malago Greenway crosses Gaol Ferry Bridge into Bedminster and onwards to Knowle. The Chocolate path provides a route west and then south to connect with the Avon Gorge Tow Path. In other directions these links are not as strong but work is ongoing to improve the link east to the Frome Valley corridor.

In developing the Ideas and Options Paper green links have had a strong influence and care has been taken to ensure that different Area Green Space Plans 'talk to each other'. Specific cross boundary influences have been considered for:

- The provision of natural space at Ashton Court Estate;
- Sports pitches on The Downs;
- The open spaces in Redcliffe;
- The youth provision at Dame Emily Park, Bedminster;
- The influence of the long distance cycle and pedestrian routes to the west and south of Bristol.



Ashton Court Estate



The Downs



Who has been involved so far?

To inform the Ideas and Options Paper, a series of participation events took place with local community representatives and groups as well as relevant experts and professionals. These events included information sessions, meetings, workshops and site visits to gain information and thoughts about sites, to gauge their value to local people and get feedback on investment opportunities as well as possible disposal sites.

Those that we asked for comments in Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East included:

- Representatives of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area
- Local park groups
- The police and Safer Bristol
- Local youth workers
- Area based interest groups
- Bristol City Council officers including park managers, Downs Ranger, Docks Estate Manager, landscape designers, archaeologists, ecologists, highways engineers, public rights of way team, the cycling team, planners and sports development workers

All ideas were considered and we are very grateful for the input from all those that attended sessions to discuss their green spaces.

We are now asking all residents and interest groups to give their views .

It is important to note that the options set out are the council's interpretation, and they take into account not only stakeholder views but the policies outlined in the Parks and Green Space Strategy, the emerging Bristol Development Framework requirements and other council initiatives. The options have not necessarily been endorsed by any of the above stakeholders, who also have the opportunity to give their views through this consultation.

The role of park groups

The suggestions for Brandon Hill are largely based on the comments made by Friends of Brandon Hill.

Friends of Castle Park were involved in the participation events but the suggestions are based on consultation with this group in 2005. Representatives of Clifton and Hotwells Improvement Society with a particular interest in open space issues participated and provided comments.

Kingsdown Conservation Group provided comments on the open spaces in and around Kingdown, in which they are actively involved.

The High Kingsdown Residents Group represented the open space needs for their estate.

The Peoples Republic of Stokes Croft commented on the open spaces in the vicinity of Stokes Croft.

Dove Street Action Group commented on the open space by Dove Street flats.

Funding the proposals

The Parks and Green Space Strategy projected that achieving a 'good' standard of provision across the whole Bristol parks and green space network will cost £87million in capital funding (at 2006 prices) over 20 years. This is the cost of putting in new facilities (e.g playgrounds, sports pavilions) and infrastructure (e.g. footpaths, railings) in to parks. The Strategy laid out how this funding would be raised based on knowledge in 2006. It identified the following funding sources: contributions from developers, external funding such as lottery grants, money from the disposal of green space and the council core parks and estates budget. Taking into account the more detailed work that has been done in drawing up this paper, the current economic position and changes to developer's contributions through the Community Infrastructure Levy these figures will need to be revised following this consultation.

It is important to emphasise that investment will take place as and when funding becomes available based on priorities which will be identified following the response to this consultation. If not enough funding is available then options which are least important may not be taken forward. The consultation questionnaire accompanying the Ideas and Options Paper is designed to not only allow respondents to state whether they support ideas or not, but also to help them prioritise.

Sale of some green space to raise money to re-invest

Area Green Space Plans will propose which green spaces the council might dispose of to raise money to reinvest back into park improvements. The council's usual policy is that all receipts from disposals should go into a 'single capital pot' for distribution to overall priorities but in this case 70% will be ring fenced for reinvestment in to parks.

There are no proposed disposal sites in Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership area.



Section 3.

Central Area Spaces

The part of this neighbourhood partnership commonly thought of as the city centre, contains a number of very well known open spaces that are unique in their appearance and range of uses.

Some of the best known are Millennium Square, Anchor Square, Lloyds Amphitheatre, Queens Square, College Green and Castle Park.

The first three were created as part of the Harbourside Redevelopment and are paved throughout. During the summer they are used for events that attract visitors from across the country and overseas. When the Harbour Festival takes place activities spread out around the Floating Harbour taking in Cascade Steps, Millennium Promenade and extending to Queens Square.

Linking into the city centre is the harbourside walkway, which provides an almost complete circuit of the Floating Harbour, augmented by pedestrian and road bridges and ferry crossings at strategic locations.

The spaces at College Green, Castle Park and St James Barton Roundabout have mixed backgrounds but their current appearance is all wholly, or in part, a result of post war development.

Lesser known but historic spaces in the city centre include St Johns Churchyard, St Stephens Churchyard and St James Park.

All these spaces and the harbourside walkway are included in this document but there are two other key documents that will have an influence on their future;

1. Bristol Central Area Action Plan (BCAAP)

This document will form the basis for making planning decisions. It will build on the general planning policies which are included in the adopted 'Core Strategy' and once approved will form part of the Bristol Development Framework. As well as the city centre the BCAAP will cover Hotwells, Cliftonwood, some of Clifton and Kingsdown but also a number of areas to the east of the city centre, which fall outside of this Neighbourhood Partnership Area.

A map showing the boundary of the area is shown overleaf.

The intention of the BCAAP is to provide a detailed vision to reinforce the unique character and international reputation of the city centre. Work is underway looking at the character of the central area and how new homes and commercial, creative and leisure space can be provided. Consistent with the Core Strategy, the Plan will also seek to maintain and improve the role of the harbour and waterways, conserve the city centre's architectural heritage, improve transport services and revitalise areas in need of change. An Issues and Options paper will be published for consultation in late 2010.

Policies within the BCAAP will be shaped by the recommendations for works to public open spaces contained in this Ideas and Options paper and the results of this consultation exercise. In return the final Area Green Space Plan may be informed by work and consultation on the BCAAP.

Reference is included in this document to the BCAAP where spaces are affected- look for:

Central Area Action Plan

2. Harbour Estates Management Plan

The City Council is also a Statutory Port
Authority with a designated Harbour Master and
responsibility for looking after the historic
Floating Harbour, docks and related quayside
areas, known collectively as 'The Harbour Estate'.
This includes many of the central spaces and the
harbourside walkway.

A map showing the land within the Harbour Estate is shown overleaf.

A Management Plan for The Harbour Estate is to be produced by the City Docks General Manager. This will focus mainly on day-to-day management but will include some detailed recommendations for improvements, for example new seating, bins and planters.

The Harbourside Management Plan will take on the function of the Area Green Space Plan for accessible open space within its boundary and, apart from a few suggestions, ideas and options for these spaces are not included.

The City Docks General Manager recognises and supports the need to provide information and improve the signage around the waterfront.

Recommendations from the Management Plan will feed into the Bristol Central Area Action Plan.

Reference is included in this document to The Harbour Estates Management Plan where spaces are affected - look for:

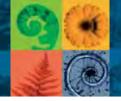
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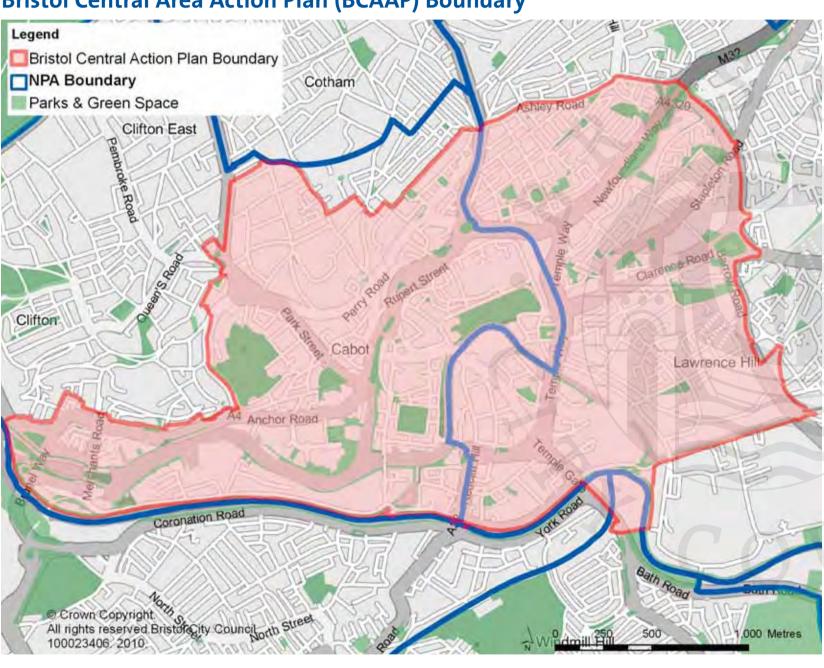
Lloyds Amphitheatre - Harbourside



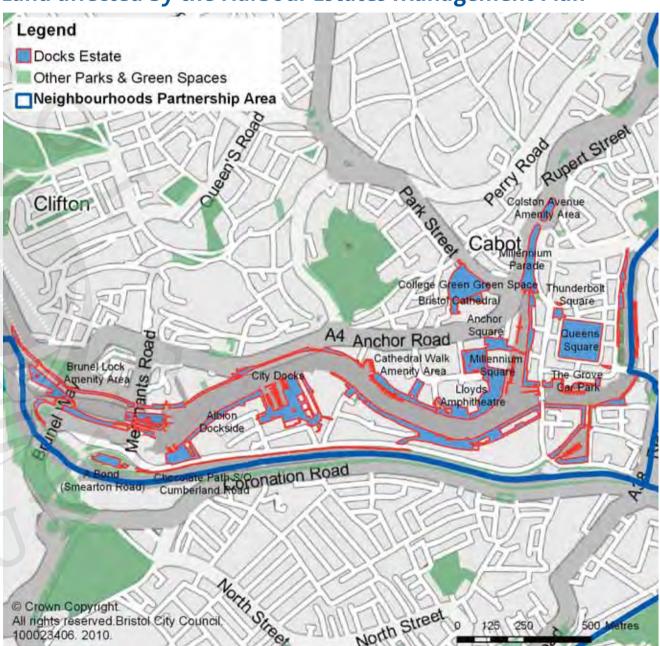
College Green



Bristol Central Area Action Plan (BCAAP) Boundary



Land affected by the Harbour Estates Management Plan



Central Area Action Plan

Harbour Estates Management Plan









Section 4.

Investment Ideas and Options

This section presents a range of spatial and investment ideas and options for all accessible green spaces within the Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East Neighbourhood Partnership Area. The aim is to meet the policies and open space standards set out in the Parks and Green Space Strategy and respond to ideas gathered from members of the local community and professional stakeholders in 2008/9.

Area Green Space Plan Officers considered all ideas put forward alongside any constraints and an analysis of individual open spaces. For each open space or park, ideas and options are highlighted for each site.

Your comments, ideas and priorities will be used to inform a final Area Green Space Plan for Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East

Parks or open spaces for which proposals would result in significant change are presented in this section as 'concept plans'.

No decisions have been made and all ideas and options are open to comment and influence through the consultation.

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St James Park

'part of an extensive churchyard since the founding of St James Priory in the 12th Century'

Stakeholder's comments

This historic site was the burial ground for the parish of St James and was in use from the medieval period until the 1850s. It was subdivided to create a Hay and Coal Market in the south east part in 1838 and the south west corner was removed for street improvements.

It became a public park in 1880 when it was laid out with seats, shrubberies and winding paths. Now the path that splits the park in two is one of the main entrances to the recently redeveloped coach station. The boundaries to both halves are in the form of a stone wall with railings and there are a number of large plane trees. The boundary wall, railings and gates are grade II listed.

The park is a green island in a heavily built up area and is well located to serve workers, residents and visitors alike. However the boundary wall to Haymarket is high, which combines with the plane trees to mask the space from this key frontage with the result that many people are not aware of its existence. There is some history of antisocial behaviour and this is in part a result of the lack of passive surveillance.

Inspite of the scheme of summer bedding plants, the park as a whole has a run down appearance.

There is an overiding need to tidy up and repair this space.

The historic importance of the boundaries means that they cannot be changed but the repair and repainting of the railings along with some appropriate signage would raise the profile of the park. Consider pruning and possibly felling some trees to open up the park to the Haymarket frontage and make it sunnier and nicer to use in the summer.

What we want to achieve

To restore and protect the historic fabric of the park and make it a more welcoming place for visitors.

Options and Ideas

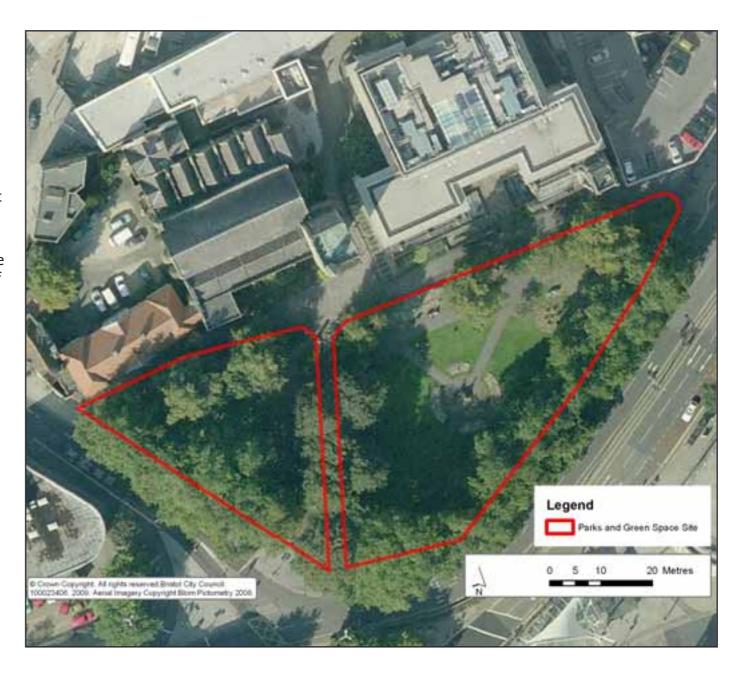
- · Repair boundary walls, railings and gates
- Review and manage trees including felling a number to open up the park to the Haymarket and create a brighter, sunnier space in the summer
- Install new traditional park signs to emphasise the park to passers by - possibly in the form of an arch over the central path
- · Improve interpretation material
- Clear scrub and weeds around edge of park
- Provide new seating and bins
- Install bird boxes



View towards Haymarket



Frontage to Haymarket





Boundary to park

Central Area Action Plan



St James Barton

"people walk through and don't want to be there'

'people's presence will help it feel safer'
'perfect events/social space for higher
density area'

Stakeholder's comments

This is often claimed to be the most used open space in the city, but only as a walkthrough. To all intents and purposes this is a sunken roundabout, (sometime known as the 'Bear Pit'). The space links Broadmead and Stokes Croft. It has become associated with anti-social behaviour and is run-down in appearance making it quite an uninviting space.

Workers, shoppers, visitors arriving by coach or the bus from the train station all pass through this space. In addition as a result of the residential conversion of offices, there are now a number of residents close to the space as well as a hotel.

Over the years, there have been a variety of initiatives aimed at improving the space but so far works have been piecemeal.

From the consultation undertaken to date it is clear that there is agreement on a pressing need to improve this key gateway space.

As a result this opportunity is being taken to seek your comments on which aspects of the space should be prioritised for work and your views on what the design approach to improvements should be.

The concept plan shown opposite includes a range of ideas and is intended to stimulate discussion and debate.

People have told us that they would like to see a number of uses in the space to encourage people to stay there longer and socialise. Cafe, a performance space and a play area were suggestions.



The results of this consultation will feed into the Central Area Action Plan, which as well as looking at the space will also look at the surrounding road network. It is anticipated that the plan will move forward proposals for the space as a whole. However the results of this consultation will in the meantime also help inform what works should be carried out in the shorter term by Parks and Estates.

Major works to all aspects of the space, including the underpasses and entrances from the surrounding area, will require joint working between Parks and Estates and other relevant parties including the Highway Authority.



St James Barton

What we want to achieve

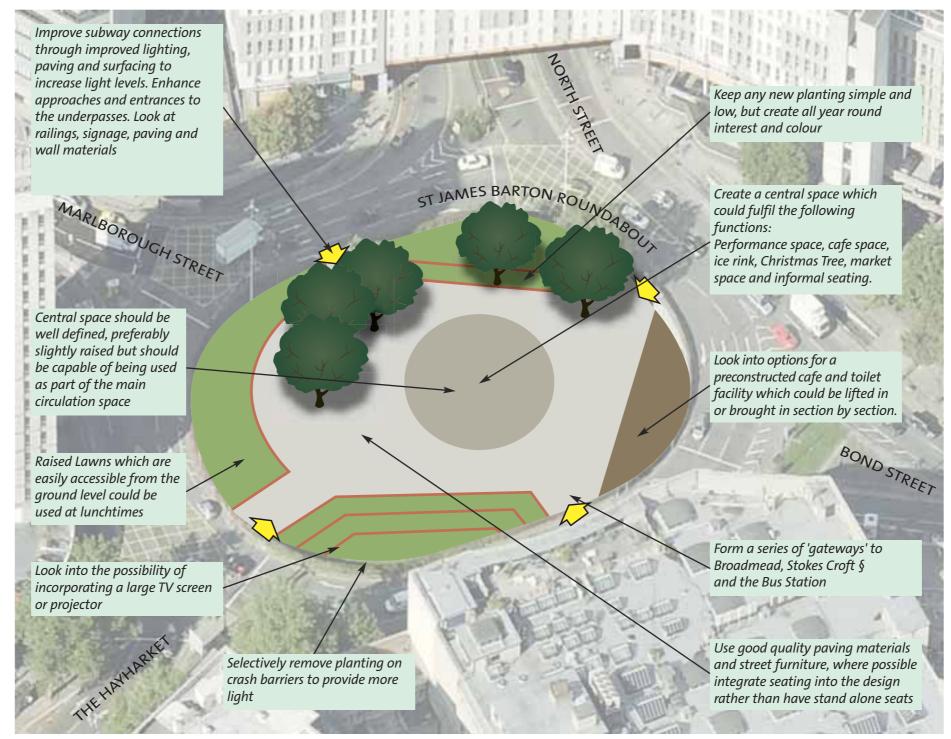
To create a vibrant space for visitors and residents which provides a safe and welcoming environment.

Ideas and Options

- To remove the features which degrade the space such as;
- i) The toilets
- ii) The raised beds
- Create a well designed and maintained multifunctional space which is inviting, clean and pleasant with good circulation and lighting. A cafe building would give the space focus and provide a presence for the duration of its opening hours
- Create a simpler space, free of clutter which allows good sight lines to all of the exits and good clear paths which are well signed
- Consider a coordinated, creative lighting scheme, which could include low level programmable LED lighting, particularly in the underpasses
- Look into possibilities of a technology hub - could include big screen and electronic information around the interior edges

NB. This concept plan is here for comment and to stimulate debate. Tell us what your priorities are for improvement works and what sort of design approach you would like to see.

The results of this consultation will be fed into the Central Area Action Plan.



KEY



Existing trees
Close mown grass



Enhanced access / entrances



Seating area

Central Area Action Plan



Dove Street Park

"massive opportunity to link together and encourage use"

"opportunity to have a multi-faceted space"

Resident's comments

This park was laid out at the same time as the flats on Dove Street were built. At present it includes a medium sized play area, but is otherwise a broad sweep of grass containing a number of trees and bounded by railings. There are currently two low-key entrances to the park. It is a steeply sloping site, which is partially overlooked by properties on South View.

There is a wide range of age groups living in the area which includes a number of young children in the flats but also elderly and people with mobility impairments. There is a need to introduce more uses into the space to cater for all age groups.



Exiting views

Boundaries and Edges

Access / Entrance

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Dove Street Park



What we want to achieve

 To provide a welcoming, multifunctional park which provides opportunities for all sectors of the community.

Ideas and Options

- Improve existing and create new paths within the park and idea of fruit trees enhance entrances with new gates and signage

 Improve existing and create new could be terraced idea of fruit trees been mentioned.
- Extend the play area and increase the variety of equipment, and if possible incorporate a small games area, taking account of the impact of work on the trees. If this is not possible a series of usable grass terraces could be formed
- Create an upper terrace seating area with ornamental planting. This would be accessible for all (although aimed primarily at older users) and would take advantage

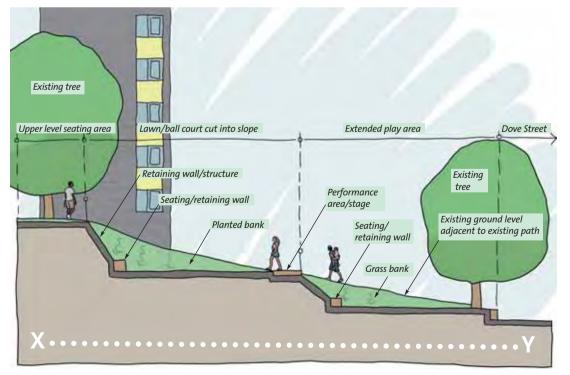
of the good views towards Bristol City Centre

As well as improving the public open space a number of local residents would like to see the 'amenity' area around the flats improved and opened up for public use. This land could be terraced and replanted, the idea of fruit trees and food crops has been mentioned.

As this area 'belongs' to the flats, it is not truly public and therefore would fall outside the Area Green Space Plan. However the aspirations are mentioned here as they may influence decisions about its future.

These are ideas and options. We cannot afford to do all of these suggestions. Please tell us what your priorities would be and give us your ideas by completing the questionnaire at www.bristol.gov.uk/agsp

Cross section showing possible changes in levels





Castle Park

'use the bandstand for music events'
'make constructive use of yellow building at eastern end of Castle Park'

Stakeholder's comments

Castle Park occupies part of the historic heart of Bristol.

The Saxons founded Bristol in the late 10th Century at a bridging point on the River Avon near to where Bristol Bridge is now. A castle was built nearby in Norman times.

The castle was still in use during the civil war but was demolished in the late 17th Century when a mixture of shops and housing was built on a street pattern that lasted until the air raids of 1940, which devastated the area.

Redevelopment following the end of World War II resulted in new shops and offices along Wine Street with a new park being created around the remains of St Peters Church to act as a war memorial. Called Castle Green, the park incorporated the remains of the castle and castle vaults, (grade II listed) and St Peter's, (grade II* listed). The castle vaults, sally port, (a gate to underground workings), and vaults to St Peters are all Scheduled Ancient Monuments.

Mary Le Port church adjacent to the park is grade II listed.

In connection with the development of the Galleries shopping centre between 1990-1993, the green was temporarily used for car parking. In return it was relandscaped and became the Castle Park that exists today.

The park provides a range of formal and informal recreational facilities for shoppers, visitors, residents and workers. Parts of the park are used for events, there is a play space, a woodland area and a cycle route, well used by commuters, alongside the river.

There is a park keeper and an established 'friends of' group.

Since being re-landscaped, the development of Cabot Circus has significantly altered the surroundings to the eastern end of the park. A number of new flats now face onto this part of the park and there is one of the key entrances to the shopping area directly facing. The stone boundary wall and mounding at this end of the park results in it ' turning its back' onto the new development.

There is also the new development on the Courage Brewery Site to the south which now looks directly over the park and a new bridge is proposed to connect the two as part of that development.

There is a need to redesign parts of the park to take account of these changes but also a need to repair and improve existing features. There has been some history of anti-social behaviour in the park towards the more isolated eastern end which could be in part addressed through a design that increased passive surveillance and overall levels of use of this area. The play ground is in this part of the park and has suffered from vandalism.

The intention is to draw up an improvement plan in consultation with users and residents. Proposals given in the final Area Green Space Plan will inform that process.

This plan will also take into account the island of open space at Lower Castle Street, which was for many years used as a compound in connection with the development of Cabot Circus and whose future use must compliment proposals for the park.

A Conservation Management Plan, which focused on the important historic and archaeological features of the park, has been completed and the contents of this will inform the improvement plan.

Proposals are awaited for the redevelopment of the cluster of vacant, former bank buildings on the north west corner of the park and St Mary le Port.

An earlier scheme that included an adjoining area of the park is no longer being pursued.

The installation of a pre-fabricated catering kiosk in Castle Park is currently being considered.



View south across St Peter's Square



Formal garden by St Peter's church



Path to Broadweir



View south to the old Courage site



Artist's impression of new footbridge

Castle Park

What we want to achieve

To create a safe, high quality, contemporary and vibrant public park that reflects its high profile city centre location and delivers quality facilities for a wide range of users.

Options and Ideas

1 Improvements to Central Green Area - levelling and regrading

Castle Keep- restore and improve access

(3) Parks Depotredevelopment for restaurant/mixed use.

New footbridge

New link between proposed foot bridge and north of the park

Explore future use for St Peters church

Vaulted chambersredevelop as a depot/information point

St Peters Square-better boundaries and lighting, regrading, new surfacing and seating, taking account of the use of this area for events

New Entrance features-Union Street, Bristol Bridge and Castle Street

Improve access from Broadweir - reduce height, remove mounding, open *up frontage to the junction* Replacement and possible relocation of Childrens Play Space elsewhere in the park

New signage and interpretation

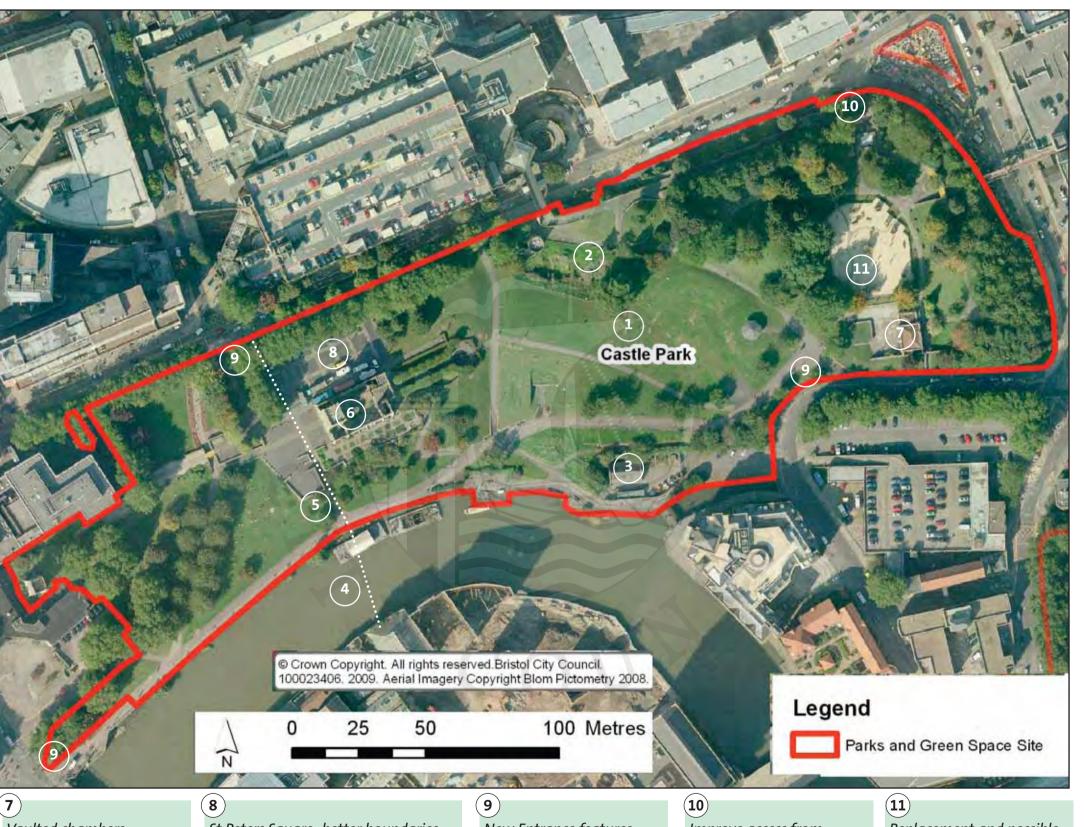
Improved layout of footpaths

New seating and bins

A 'play trail' around park aimed at all age groups

Provide play equipment for older children- consider other teen facilities

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Brandon Hill

'nothing should be introduced to upset the current ambience'

'it should be open and accessible to all'

Stakeholder's comments

The oldest park in the city, this park sits on a rocky outcrop and affords some of the best views of Bristol. It is topped by the historic Cabot Tower, which itself is an important element of the Bristol skyline and is grade II listed. The park provides a large green space in the heart of the city with surrounds made up of attractive historic buildings. It is much valued by local residents and visitors alike. During the summer in particular the park is very well used.

Bristol Corporation took ownership of the park in 1174 and it was sublet to farmers for grazing up to 1625 when it became public open space. The hill was an important point in the city during civil war sieges and there are remnants of ramparts dating from this period which are Scheduled Ancient Monuments. The tower was built in the 19th Century when the park as it is now was formally laid out. Down the hill from the tower is a rockery garden through which runs a gently sloping waterfall.

More recently toilets, a parks depot and a children's play space have been incorporated into the park.

The park is recognised for its wildlife interest and includes a Nature Park, which is managed by Avon Wildlife Trust in partnership with the city council. The park includes meadow, woodland and a wildlife pond.

The children's play space was extended using funding from the Play Pathfinder Project in spring 2010.

There has also been a consultation on the future of the bowls green with suggestions including a tai chi area and kick about area. Most support was given to a tai chi area but the possibility of a multiple use area was suggested. The children from St Georges School also use this space for games. There is a gap in provision for young people and a kick about area would help fill that gap.

There is an active 'Friends of' group and a park keeper.

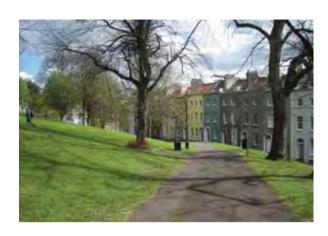
There are no proposals for fundamental changes to the park but repair works are needed to its historic fabric and various improvement works could be considered. Repair work on the tower is currently underway.

Problems with bins and grass being scorched by barbecues need to be addressed.

An Improvement plan will be drawn up in conjunction with the friends group- the final Area Green Space Plan will inform that process.



View over former bowling green



Path to Brandon Steep



Rockery and pond below tower





Existing depot

Brandon Hill

What we want to achieve

To restore and protect the historic fabric of the park, providing a safe, welcoming environment for visitors and residents reflecting its prominence as a highly visible park in the heart of the city.

Options and Ideas

Repair of walls around the tower

Clear and stabalise the civil war ramparts

3 *Restore the cascade below the tower*

(4)
Restore the fabric of the drinking fountain.

5Enhance and Improve management of 'nature park'.

Replant rockery beds



Explore alternative sites for the depot and reintegrate this area back into its public use as part of the park. Possible option is a cafe and seating area

Decide future of bowls green - there is a need for teenage play in the area and consideration must be given to a multi use area that could allow for kickabout and tai chi.

- Introduce barbecue stands to stop damage to grass and bins
- Review the number and location of bins and seats
- Improve interpretation material and direction signs
- Review of trees species and location

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Mall Gardens

Set within the heart of historic Clifton, this railed, linear garden is one of the largest and most prominent green spaces in the area. It is an integral part of the formal Georgian street layout and provides a green corridor between Clifton village and Sion Hill, which leads directly up to the Suspension Bridge, one of the city's key tourist attractions. The space is a designated Town and Village Green.

The boundary railings to the park are in a mixed state of repair but those in the worst condition have recently been successfully repaired and the overall appearance greatly improved.

There has been some tree planting and features introduced that are not in keeping with the original design of the space. It is not always evident that the space is open to use by the public.

The Mall Gardens Residents Association are actively involved in the upkeep and improvement of the space.

What we want to achieve

To restore the historic nature of this space, making it a more welcoming place and reinforcing its role as a space for public use.

Ideas and Options

- · Repair boundary railings and plinth
- Explore original planting scheme and manage existing trees and shrubs accordingly
- Improve seating and provision of bins
- Introduce low key signs and some interpretation material
- Investigate how the front of the site on to The Mall could be opened up to increase public access.









Broken boundary railings

Victoria Square Park

This is another key Clifton space set within the formal Georgian Street layout. It is crossed diagonally by a well used path, which provides a link between Clifton Village and Queens Road.

The stone 'plinth' either side of the path has been badly damaged in places and there has been some inappropriate concrete replacement blocks. There are a number of mature trees of differing species, which are actively managed. The space is used during the summer for sunbathing but otherwise there are few seats and it is little used at other times of the year except as a cut through.

This part of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area lacks children's play space. A number of locations were considered but most have a mixture of physical, size or locational constraints to providing children's play.

Victoria Square Park is a comparatively large space and has significant areas of grass away from trees and could accommodate a reasonable sized play space. The surrounding road and footpath network makes the site very accessible, with high levels of passive surveillance. Overall this is a good location for a play space to serve the Clifton area. The historic nature of Victoria Park Square requires a sensitive approach to be taken, the space lending itself to providing more natural, less intrusive play provision.

What we want to achieve

To repair the historic fabric of this park, welcoming people all year round and making it a great space for children to play.

Ideas and Options

- Create an exciting but unobtrusive play space
- Repair the historic fabric of the space
- Increase seating and bins to facilitate greater use



Central path



View south







Play equipment built from natural materials in Blaise Estate



City Centre Spaces

Queen Square

Named after Queen Anne, in the 18th Century this was one of the most sought after places to live. It is now one of the best known spaces in the city centre, well used at lunch time and after work and is regularly used for events both in its own right and in conjunction with other city centre spaces. The original design of the square was carefully re-constructed following the removal of the through road across the square in the 1990s.

There are no suggested changes to this space as part of this document.



Thunderbolt Square

As a result of road realignment at the northern end of Prince Street, what used to be a landscaped traffic island has now become an annexe to Queen Square with a name of its own. The space is paved with some planting beds.

There are no suggested changes to this space as part of this document.



College Green

This well known central space was historically a small hill but was levelled in the 1950's during the construction of the Council House. It used to be the site of the Bristol High Cross honouring various monarchs. This space is a favourite meeting place for workers and students during the day. In the evenings and weekends there are often large gatherings of young people including skateboarders. There are a number of law and order issues that arise from this and there is a history of dispersal orders. There is a recognised need to provide for young people in the central area and this is still being investigated.

There are no suggested changes to this space as part of this document.



Bristol Cathedral

To all intents and purposes this grassed space in front of the Cathedral has become an extension to College Green since the removal of the through road in the mid 1990s. It is not used as intensively as College Green but similar management issues apply.

There are no suggested changes to this space as part of this document.



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City Centre Spaces

Colston Avenue and Millennium Parade

These are considered together as for many people they form 'The Centre', so named because it used to be the tram terminus.

Colston Avenue is simply paved and most notable for the cenotaph and mature trees.

Millennium Parade is more hybrid in appearance being made up of hard granite paving, fountains, galvanised columns and incidental flower beds. It is recognised that the design of this space generates a variety of responses but as somewhere to sit, a crossing point and somewhere to host small scale events it functions well.

At the time of writing proposals for the redesign of the centre to accommodate improved bus circulation are being consulted upon.





Harbourside:

Bordeaux Quay, Millennium Square, Anchor Square and Lloyds Amphitheatre.

The harbourside provides an interesting mix of spaces, much of which is publicly accessible hard landscape such as Millennium Square. Many of these spaces are included in the strategy as they provide the same open space recreational opportunities as other spaces but for the city centre.

The promotion of the existing use of Lloyds Amphitheatre as a skateboarding venue as an alternative to College Green is currently being discussed.

The space is already being used for skateboarding. To make it more suitable for this use the edges of the steps would need to be hardened, which would also protect the stone. Little other physical change would be required.

Otherwise there are no suggested changes to this space as part of this document.









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Clifton Spaces

St Andrews Churchyard, (Birdcage Walk)

The path through St Andrews
Churchyard, otherwise known as
Birdcage Walk, which passes under a
tunnel of trained trees is one of the
most iconic views in Clifton. This path
is an important pedestrian link from
Clifton Village to Cliftonwood. The
Clifton and Hotwells Improvement
Society plays an active role in the
ongoing maintenance of this historic
space.

There are no specific options or ideas for this space other than to recognise the need to restore and maintain the historic fabric of the space.





Clifton Hill Open Space

This sloping area of open space spans Regent Street with the part to the south being larger and less formal and that to the north being a more formal grassed area.

The less formal part has a very steep outer boundary containing a number of large trees but with a level area adjacent to Regent Street, where there is a seat. This level area, although long and thin, has potential to be used for recreational purposes, for example a boules court.

The space as a whole was designated a Village Green in 1970, which prevents any means of enclosure and could preclude certain recreational improvements.

What we want to achieve

To provide recreational facilities to serve local residents.

Ideas and Options

- Investigate the possibility of providing a boules court or outdoor chess board taking account of its Village Green status.
- Improve seating and bins.







Clifton Spaces

The Downs and Avon Gorge

Only a small part of The Downs lie in this Neighbourhood Partnership Area with most in the adjoining Neighbourhood Partnership Area of Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury on Trym. The Downs are in part owned by the Merchant Venturers as well as the City Council and managed by The Downs Committee, which is made up of both parties. There is an act of parliament; The Downs Act 1861, which requires the space to be available to the public for recreation purposes and sets the framework for what can and what cannot be done on The Downs.

A Management Plan was approved for The Downs in 2008.

There is large gap in play provision to the north of this Neighbourhood Partnership Area and in adjoining Neighbourhood Partnership Areas. Aside from The Downs there is very little public open space which could accommodate a new play area to help fill this gap. It is suggested that the views of The Downs Committee be sought on the option of a new play area somewhere on The Downs.

During stakeholder consultation for this Neighbourhood Partnership Area the matter of the existing children's play area was raised. This is well

located to serve the surrounding area and well used by residents and visitors alike. People mentioned that they would like to see the play space improved and enlarged. There was also a request that the area be dog free. The Downs Act specifically prohibits enclosure and there is therefore conflict with the creation of a dog free-area. It is however recommended that the views of The Downs Committee also be sought on the possible extension of the play area and the range of equipment.

The Avon Gorge is famous for its rare plants that are found in the open and rocky parts of the gorge. It also supports a large number of rare invertebrates, breeding peregrine falcons and rare horseshoe bats. It is





important to conserve the Gorge's special wildlife, explore how the landscape can be conserved and enhanced as well as making sure the Gorge stays an enjoyable and accessible place for visitors.

To achieve this it is recommended that the proposals and policies in the Gorge Management Plan, adopted in March 2010, are implemented.

Park Place

Sited just off Queens Road, this attractive space contains remnants of a stone path and stone walls from earlier times. It forms a focal point for the surrounding buildings.



To create a safe and welcoming space

Ideas and Options

- Provide new seating to serve both workers and residents in the area.
- Investigate the history of the space and use the findings to influence a new layout
- Enclosure of the space by railings to make it safer and more attractive as a recreational space
- Make the whole space dog free



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Kingsdown Spaces

Kings Square

Although much of the facing development is modern, this square was originally part of the formal Georgian street layout in this part of the city.

Following the use of this space by Wessex Water as a compound while major drainage works were being undertaken in the 1990s, the square was relandscaped in accordance with its original design. The result received an award from the Civic Trust.

The space is regularly used by street drinkers and has been associated with anti-social behaviour. Conversion work to Kings House facing the space is currently underway in connection with its use as student accommodation. The influx of students is likely to alter the way the space is used.

There are no specific proposals for change however the provision of safe road crossings into the space from Jamaica Street are being investigated.





Freemantle Square

A formal square within the Georgian Street layout, this space lies on the site of a civil war fort- Priors Fort. The square contains a number of trees including one large holm oak. The space is mainly used during the summer.

Ideas and Options

- Provide new seating.
- Investigate the history of the space lay it out and landscape it in accordance with its original design.
- Install railings around the space to make it dog free.





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Kingsdown Spaces

Montague Place

This space occupies the site of a now demolished building and has been planted by local residents. There is a row of esplanaded trees along the Montague Place frontage and some recent shrub planting along the inner boundary carried out by the Kingsdown Conservation Group.

There are no proposed changes to this site apart from new seating.





High Kingsdown Childrens Play Space

This small but well used children's play space is well located to serve the surrounding area. There is limited play equipment and the planters that did provide ancillary landscaping have either gone or are in a very poor state of repair.

Whilst recognising that this space is relatively small and close to houses, it is valued by local residents and in the absence of any viable alternative spaces to serve the surrounding area there are no proposed changes to the use of this space.



It is proposed to invest in new play equipment and improve the boundaries, consideration being given to the erection of railings to create a dog fee space.







Other sites

Cabot, Clifton & Clifton East have a significant number of small green spaces for which there are few proposals other than ongoing management to improve the overall quality. They are listed below grouped into geographical areas with recommended ideas and options where appropriate.

Clifton Spaces

Name	Nature of site	Ideas and options	
Victoria Rooms	This space is the formal backdrop to the historic Victoria Rooms and contains the well known fountains.	There are no proposed changes to this space.	
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Thomas Memorial (Blackboy Hill)	This triangle of formal open space contains a memorial to Urijah Thomas of the United Reform Church in its centre, which is surrounded by planting beds. The memorial incorporates a clock tower and a low stone wall provides informal seating. The surrounding road network restricts access to this space but it is evidently used by pedestrians en route and this plan proposes seating.	There are no proposed changes to this space aside from the inclusion of seating.	
Canynge Square Gardens	Although there are a number of communal gardens within the Clifton area, most are private but that at Canynge Square is owned by the city council, albeit maintained by residents. It is a designated Village Green. It is an attractive, well looked after space at the end of a cul-de-sac and is bounded by a hedge. This discrete location means that there is little in the way of passing traffic and the main users will be local residents.	There are no proposed changes to this space.	
Arlington Villas	This semi-naturalspace is maintained by the council though its ownership is unclear. It is open to the public and serves an area where otherwise there is little in the way of publicly accessible open space. Should the ownership situation be resolved and the site formally adopted then consideration can be given to appropriate improvements, which could include shrub and tree management.	There are no proposed changes to this space.	

Other sites

Kingsdown and surrounding spaces

Name

Nature of site

Ideas and Options

BRI Bank

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This landscaped sloping bank on the junction of Upper Maudlin Street and Jamaica Street in many ways is similar in to highway verge but it is included as part of the green space provision for the area due to its use by local workers and residents.

There are no proposed changes to this space.



St Michael on the Mount Without

Central Area Action Plan

This redundant churchyard has come to the city council through the disused burial sites act so is maintained but not owned by the council. It is an important space in this historic part of the city and provides a pedestrian cut through from Upper Maudlin Street to St Michaels Hill, avoiding a steep section of hill with very little pavement.

There are no proposed changes to this space.



Central Area Spaces

Pip n' Jays

Central Area Action Plan

This former burial ground is maintained but not owned by the city council, (disused burial sites act). It no longer contains any tombstones and is bounded by a low stone wall and there are a number of large trees. It currently has limited value as open space, it is partly used for car parking and the grass has been eroded as a consequence. The main public use is as a pedestrian cut through from Old Market roundabout into the city centre.

There are no proposed changes to this space.



St Johns Churchyard

Central Area Action Plan

This burial ground is maintained but not owned by the city council, (disused burial sites act). Tucked away between old and new development, this historic site is not generally well known. The churchyard is a monument of archaeological and historic importance. It was granted to the parish of St John the Baptist for use as a graveyard in 1390 and has never been cleared of burials. The boundary walls, gate piers, and railings are listed grade II. The graveyard could be considered to be curtilage listed by association with the grade I listed St Johns Church. At present it is locked much of the time and little used. It has become overgrown and the condition of the boundary walls and railings is deteriorating.

It is recommended that the historic fabric of the site be repaired and overgrowth be removed. Controlled opening of the site should be considered to enable it to be experienced and enjoyed.



St Stephens Churchyard

Central Area Action Plan

This space is maintained but not owned by the city council, (disused burial sites act). The church is grade II listed. The space is used as a seating area and backdrop to a privately run café within the church. The space is locked overnight.

There has been a history in the past of anti-social behaviour in this space, there are very few residents in the immediate area and after hours there is no passive surveillance.

There are no proposed changes to this space.





involve the conversion of the roundabout into a cross roads and should this be realised care will be needed how the land that is

'freed up' relates to the space.

Other sites

Nature of site **Central Area Spaces Ideas and options** There are no suggested changes to this space as part of this **Cathedral Walk** This is a new area of open space within Harbourside development, which is a mix of highrise flats with commercial uses on the ground document. Central Area Action Plan floors. It is simply laid out as a grassed area with an avenue of trees. Harbour Estates Management Plan **Pooles Wharf** This housing development faces an area of open space that abuts Taking account of the ownership there are no proposals for this the dockside walkway. The planning consent for the development is space within this plan. conditioned to the effect that this space must remain accessible to the public in perpetuity. Hence although the land is not owned by the council it falls within the remit of this plan. **Chocolate Path** So called because the paviours resemble blocks of chocolate, this The path suffers from dog fouling, the railings and surfacing path links to the southern arm of the Harbourside Walkway to the require repair in many places. Signage and interpretational Central Area Action Plan material would open up its use to many more people. Control west of the new museum under construction and runs along the of Dog Enforcement is recommended as well as additional and northern side of the New Cut as far as Ashton Avenue Bridge by the Harbour Estates Management Plan more obvious dog bins. There is a need for a programme of Create Centre and hence connects to routes leading further west and south. This is a well used and popular path particularly with repairs. cyclists and joggers who use it as part of a circular route. This is a former Quaker Burial Ground and one of the key public A review of the trees along the road frontage and pruning **Friends Burial Ground** open spaces in Redcliffe. It contains the historic St John the Baptist works to open up views into the site. Central Area Action Plan Hermitage, which is grade II listed. It is maintained but not owned by Bristol City Council, (disused burial sites act). It is an attractive, The introduction of a second entrance. well maintained space but during consultation residents mentioned concerns about public safety. There are current development proposals for Redcliffe Wharf, adjacent to the space, which includes a route linking the two The space is sometimes used by street drinkers. The boundary wall and trees along the Redcliffe Way frontage restrict passive and connecting to Redcliffe Way. This link is supported as it will surveillance and the one entrance/exit can easily be obstructed. enable and encourage increased use of this space. The link and There is an adopted Supplementary Planning Document that the interface between the two spaces will require careful promotes a significant reworking of Redcliffe Way, this would design.

Other sites

Cliftonwood and Hotwells

Nature of site

Ideas and Options

Charles Place Play Area

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This play area was provided in connection with a new housing development on Hotwells Road. It is sited to the rear of that development and is not overlooked by housing on Charles Place. The resulting limited passive surveillance can mean it is misused by older children out of hours but it is reasonably well located to serve the surrounding housing in this part of Hotwells and in the absence of any alternative public open space of a large enough size and in a better location, there are no proposals to change the use of this space.

It will continue as a play space and be maintained accordingly with new play equipment when the existing equipment reaches the end of its natural life.



Land at Cumberland Basin

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This space is sometimes known as The Point and is located where the New Cut joins the River Avon. A reflective place with great views of the Suspension Bridge this space is at present used mainly by local dog walkers and somewhere for young people to hang out. There is a concrete monument to the Brunel Flyover which includes seating. It is largely designated as informal green space but the surrounding bank to the water is natural green space.

As use of the footpath network around the docks and New Cut increases more people will arrive at this space and enjoy its views and use it as somewhere to sit.

While this space should remain open and seating provided, there is scope to change how it is landscaped and add interest.



Cliftonwood Terrace Open Space

Central Area Action Plan

This is a large area of natural open space to the south of a minor access road. It is managed by local residents and subject to a lease. Although the lease does not insist on public access, there is no indication of any intention on the part of the tenants to exclude the public and it is therefore included.

There are no proposals as part of this plan.





Other sites

Cliftonwood and Hotwell	Nature of site	Ideas and Options	
Argyle Place Play Area	This small green has an active parks group and funding was made available from the new housing development to the south for improvements to include new play facilities. The space is also used for events such as outdoor cinema. An area has been added to this space which flanks a stepped pathway that lies along side a recent housing development. The pathway forms a new link between Argyle Place and a minor road to the south.	It is proposed to upgrade and maintain the play equipment and site as a whole.	
Cherry Tree Gardens	This space is accessed from Whitehart Steps, which run from St Peters House multi-storey flats at the junction of Jacobs Wells Road and Hotwells Road up to Cliftonwood. It is a discrete, informal space out of the public domain and managed by local residents.	There are no proposed changes for this space as part of this plan.	
Strangers Burial Ground	This little known space is discretely located off Jacobs Wells Road. It is steeped in history being the last resting place of many of the luckless souls that travelled in the hope that the hot springs at Hotwells would bring a cure to their ills, to be disappointed. The space contains a mix of grave stones of different ages. It is overgrown with a number of self seeded trees. The frontage is a stone wall with railings, the rear wall is high and the nearest housing at some distance. As a result of previous problems with rough sleepers and anti-social behaviour the gate is generally locked. There are occasional visitors looking for information about their ancestors.	There are two main options for the future of this space; i) That its management be taken on by local residents and used as an area of informal recreation- this is dependant on residents being interested in the project and may require investment into community development, or ii) That it no longer be considered as public space. Both options will have to accommodate those looking for family the removal of self-seeded trees and bramble scrub to prevent the	



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Future opportunities

Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East is mostly served by publicly accessible open space, though there are gaps in particular in respect of play. The overall amount of provision is low. The ideas put forward by the members of the local community, professionals and experts were comprehensive and the proposals in this Ideas and Options Paper reflect this. As a result a good draft strategic vision for open space has been drawn up but it has not been possible to achieve the standards set out in the Parks and Green Space Strategy due mainly to the lack of available public space.

However in addition, a number of further opportunities could be explored which haven't been possible to consider so far.

Granby Green- the provision of this small area of open space bounded by Granby Hill, Cumberland Place and Albermarle Row, was a requirement associated with the adjacent housing development. It is intended that most of the space be formally adopted by Parks and Estates, which will secure its future as public open space.

The Downs - the possibility of a new play area on The Downs has been mentioned. To achieve this it will be necessary to reach agreement with The Downs Committee.

There is the possibility that land under the Hotwells Flyover could provide a Wheels Park. This is suggested in Appendix 1 to provide facilities for young people in the area.

Additionally, there are two Supplementary Planning Documents incorporating development principles, which if implemented will result in new public space.

- 1. Nelson Street as part of the proposed redevelopment it is envisaged that a new area of open space would be created in the vicinity of Bridewell, this is shown indicatively as being hard landscaped.
- 2. University the proposals for the redevelopment of the University Precinct incorporate a new central plaza in front of the existing library on Tyndall Avenue.

The creation of these new spaces is dependant on development taking place in accordance with the guidance in the documents. Even if all these opportunities are realised, there will remain an area in the central and northern part of this Neighbourhood Partnership Area which is not served by public open space at present and for which there is little prospect of new public open space.

When assessing proposals for new residential development within this Neighbourhood Partnership Area the possibility of providing new public open space on site, as opposed to a financial contribution towards the

improvement of existing public open space, will be explored. What and where will be informed by the amount and type of existing public open space in the vicinity of the site and its individual characteristics.

Otherwise efforts will be concentrated on improving and maximising the use of existing open spaces and improving the connections to, and between, those spaces.

The Central Area Action Plan will acknowledge the shortfall in public open space and look at all land within the public realm, including roads as well as spaces.



Granby Green



Appendix 1. How the Area Green Space Plan is meeting the PGSS standards

The Parks and Green Space Strategy adopted new minimum standards for the provision of publicly accessible green space. There are three specific standards:

- 1. Quality Standard a level of quality which all spaces should attain.
- 2. Distance Standard how far should people have to travel to reach a particular type of space.
- 3. Quantity Standard how much green space of different types there should be.

A key aim of this Area Green Space Plan is to propose how these standards will be met in the Neighbourhood Partnership Area of Avonmouth and Kingsweston.

Quality

A Bristol quality standard has been devised in consultation with national advisers and local parks users, which takes into account design, condition and maintenance, and assesses a comprehensive range of features of parks and open spaces. It takes into account a number of aspects which are of particular public concern such as entrances, safety feel, and facilities.

Before the adoption of the Parks and Green Space Strategy, each park and green space across the city was assessed for its quality. As a result the council was able to know which sites met the Quality Standard and which sites needed improving. On a 1 to 4 scale (poor, fair, good and excellent), where 3, or 'good', is the quality standard threshold, the quality assessment process revealed an average quality level across Bristol of 2 (fair).

The final Area Green Space Plan will be informed by a review of the quality of parks and green spaces - to take place this year. This is because the original assessment is now between 4 and 5 years old and does not take into account investment to improve spaces over this time. For this reason an analysis of quality in each Neighbourhood Partnership Area is not shown here.

Distance Standard

The aim of the distance standard is to protect and promote an accessible network of green space. The distance standards are based on research on how far Bristol residents feel it's reasonable to walk to get to the different types of space, combined with an analysis of Bristol's layout to ensure the standards are credible. A distance standard has been set for each of the five different types of space recognised by the Parks and Green Space Strategy.

The maps on the following pages demonstrate how well the standard for each type of space is currently met across the Neighbourhood Partnership Area and how proposals to invest in new types of space will improve access across the area.

When proposing a new type of space the AGSP ensures that the existing value and character of a site is enhanced and not compromised. If it is clear that the existing type is of high value then no change is proposed and either an alternative site is found or it is accepted that the standards may not be met in that area.

The distances proposed are in the table below:

Distance Standard	Distance 'as the crow flies' (metres)	Estimated Time (minutes walk)
Distance to the nearest green space	400	9
Children's play space	450	10
Formal green Space	600	15
Informal green space	550	13
Natural green space	700	18
Active sports space	Determined by Playing Pitch Strategy	

Barriers to access

When applying distance standards barriers to accessing parks such as railways, rivers, major roads, hills, valleys and large industrial areas have been taken into account. When considering these barriers any legitimate crossing points-bridges or pelican crossings for example have been located. The effect of the barriers and crossing points is incorporated into the application of each distance standard across the area.

In Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East busy roads can act as a barrier in particular to younger children, for example Jacobs Wells Road, Hotwells Road and Whiteladies Road.

As well as the occasional busy road with limited crossing opportunities, a key barrier to access in this Neighbourhood Partnership Area can be the topography. There is a very steep hill between Hotwells Road and Clifton/Cliftonwood that affects access to facilities, which would otherwise fall within the distance standard. For example the play area at Charles Place should serve Clifton Vale to the north but in reality the gradient will deter this happening on a regular basis.

There are no railway lines or industrial areas that would restrict use.



Children's Play Spaces

There are currently seven children's play areas in Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East. These are High Kingsdown, Dove Street, Castle Park, Brandon Hill, Charles Place, Argyle Place and The Downs.

All are to be retained and it is proposed to extend that at Dove Street and renew the space on Castle Park. In addition, the possibility of extending the space at the Downs is to be explored.

There are limited opportunities for new children's play spaces in the Clifton area and Victoria Park Square is put forward as a proposal. This space is big enough, well overlooked and the diagonal route across is very well used by all sectors of the population, (see page 21).

This still leaves a large part of the northern Neighbourhood Partnership Area not served by a children's play space along with neighbouring parts of Bishopston Redland & Cotham Neighbourhood Partnership Area and Henleaze, Westbury on Trym and Stoke Bishop Neighbourhood Partnership Area. Information on population show this area to have a comparatively high number of young people.

The possibility of a new play area on The Downs has been mentioned. To achieve this it will be necessary to reach agreement with The Downs Committee.

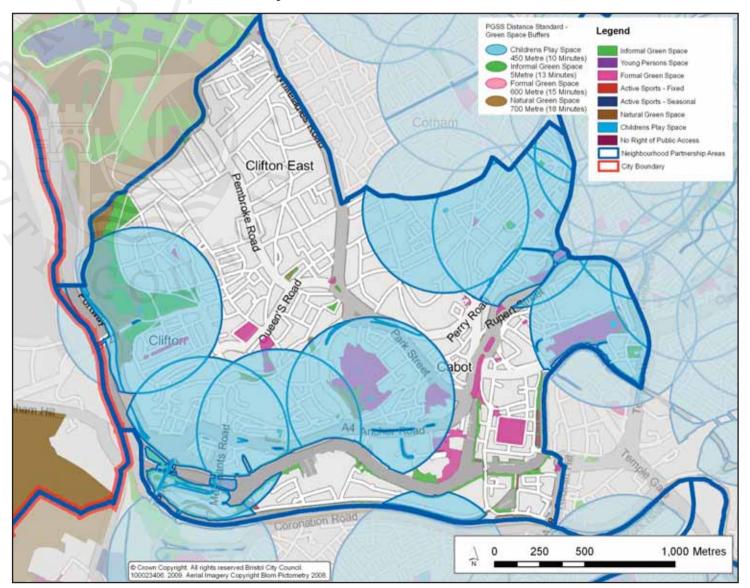
Even if this and Victoria Park Square were realised, there would remain an area outside the distance standard for play and at present no opportunity to address this.

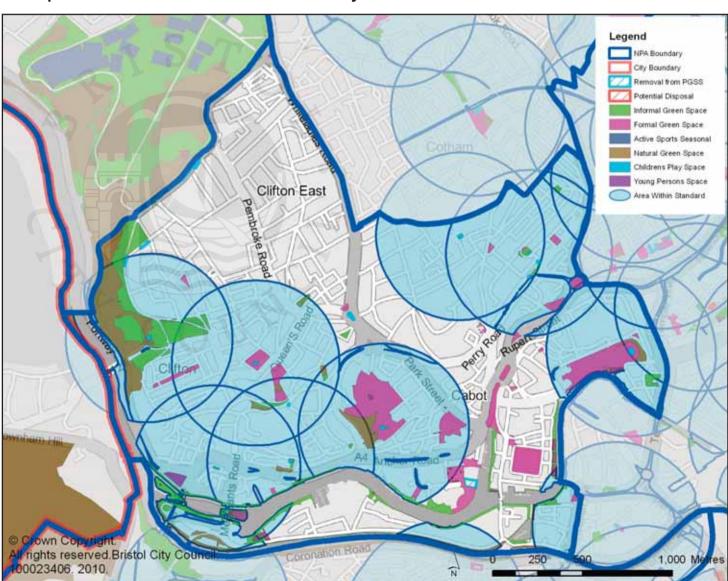
The percentage of the population that will be

outside the distance standard for childrens play will go down from 47% to 35% with the inclusion of Victoria Square.

When considering the implications of this it is recognised that even without a play space, The Downs do provide significant informal play opportunities particularly for older children and that there are a number of private communal gardens in the Clifton area, which could be used for play by those families who have access.

Areas where the standard is currently met







Formal

Nearly all the spaces of any significant size within this Neighbourhood Partnership Area contain a large formal element and the standards are largely met.

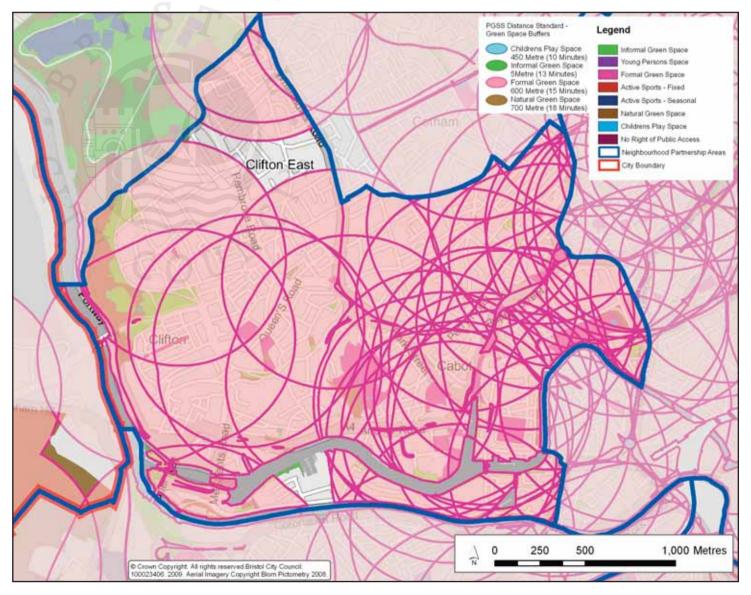
One new formal element is proposed at Dove Street. Cathedral Walk in Harbourside and the open space at Pooles Wharf have been added as publicly accessible space since the Parks and Green Space Strategy was adopted in 2008, and both are classed as formal.

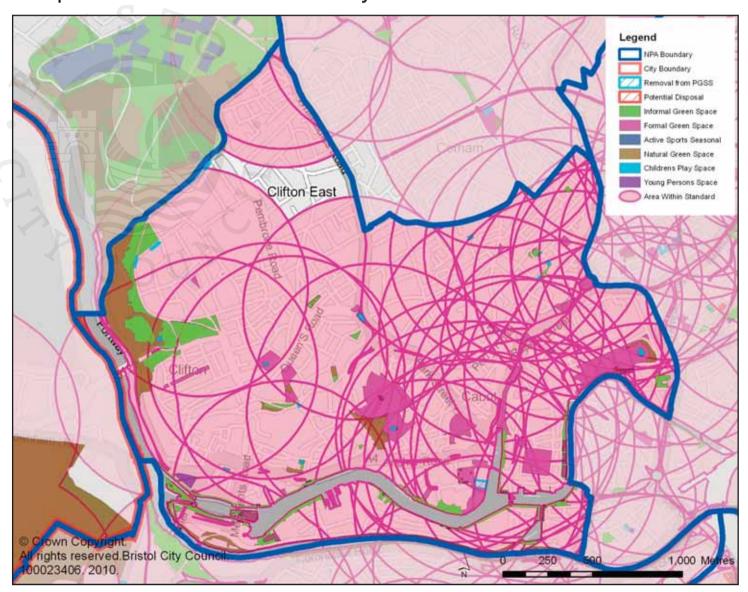
However this will not change the amount within the distance standard due to the location.

The one area not served by formal space is in the north of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area. and at present there are no opportunities to address this.

The percentage of the predicted future population that will be outside the distance standard for formal green space will change from 5% to 4%.

Areas where the standard is currently met





Informal Green Space

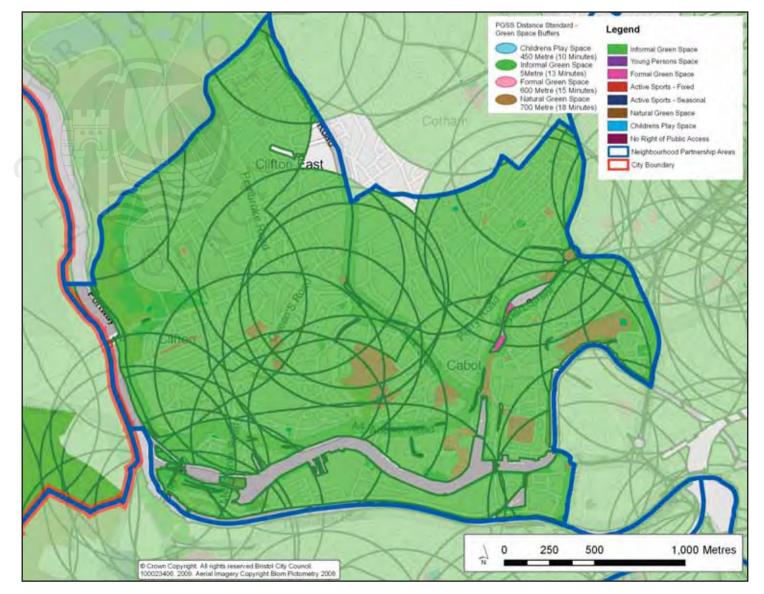
All but a small section to the north falls within the distance standard for informal green space. This is due, in part, to the influence of the informal space on The Downs to the north of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area. The area as a whole however falls below the quantity standard for informal space.

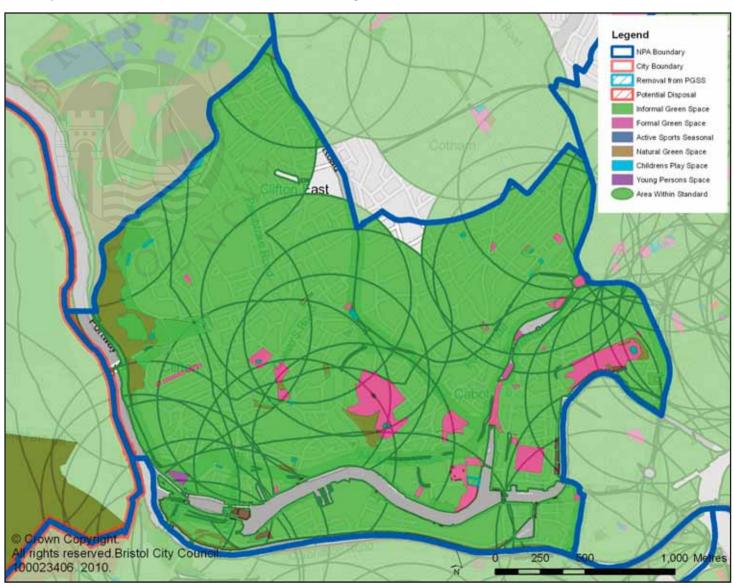
This Idea and Options paper proposes the loss of a small amount of informal space to play and no new is proposed.

There are no options at present to address the shortfall in informal space in the northern part of the area though the communal gardens referred to above may serve some residents as informal space.

The percentage of the future population that will be outside the distance standard for informal green space will remain unchanged at 1%.

Areas where the standard is currently met







Natural Green Space

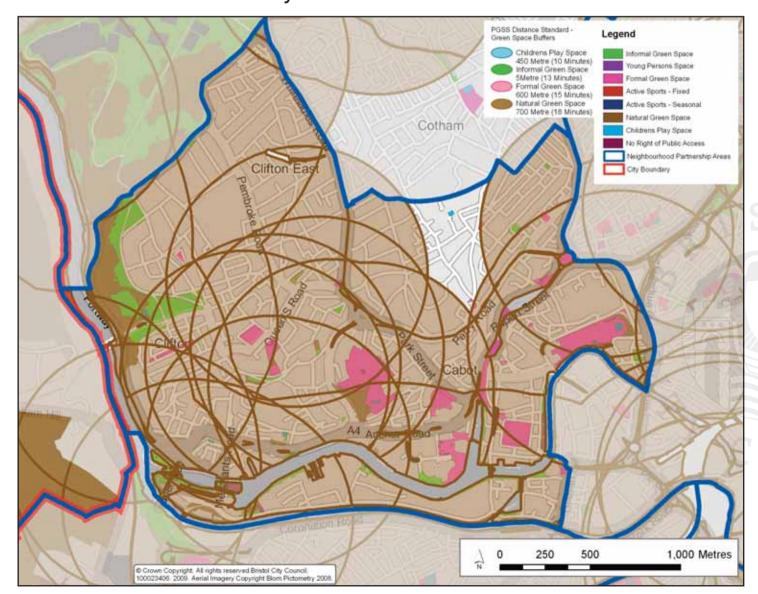
A similar picture exists for natural green space as informal green space, as much of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area falls within the distance standard aside from an area in the north. However the Neighbourhood Partnership Area has almost half the adopted quantity standard for natural space.

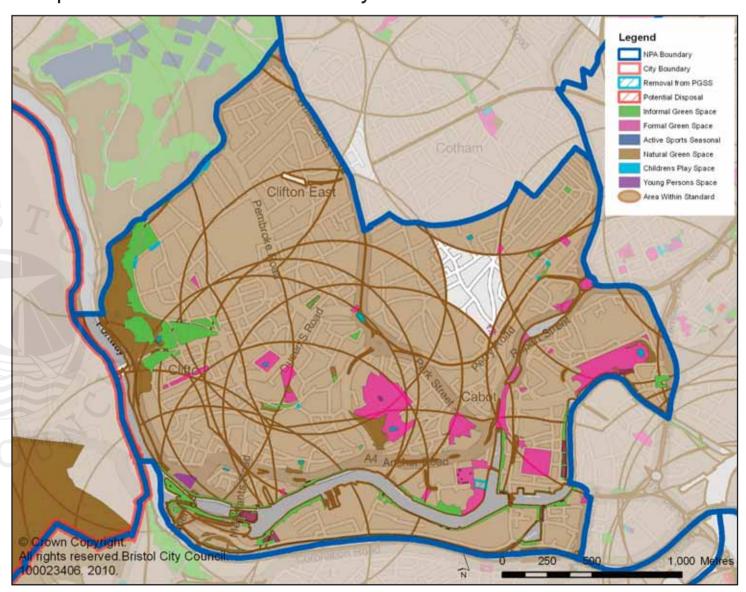
There are no proposals for new natural space in the area but there is an option in the Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership Area that will serve part of this area, which is the naturalisation of part of Cotham Gardens.

Where new planting is proposed on any site consideration should be given to how this could contribute to the nature conservation value of the area. On some more formal spaces this may be difficult but barely visible approaches such as increasing the mix of grass types can contribute to the creation of habitats for invertebrates.

The percentage of the population that will be outside the distance standard for natural green space will fall from 5% to 2%.

Areas where the standard is currently met





Distance to the nearest green space

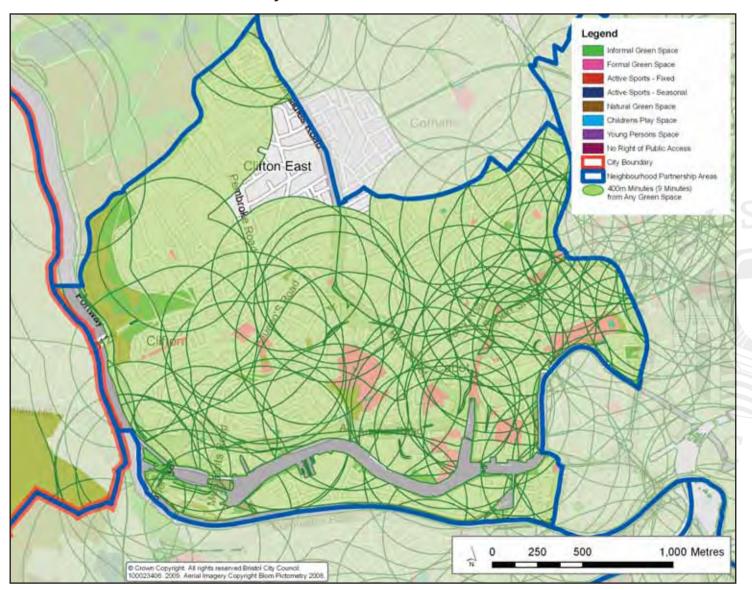
This Ideas and Options paper includes the new open space at Harbourside and the open space at Pooles Wharf.

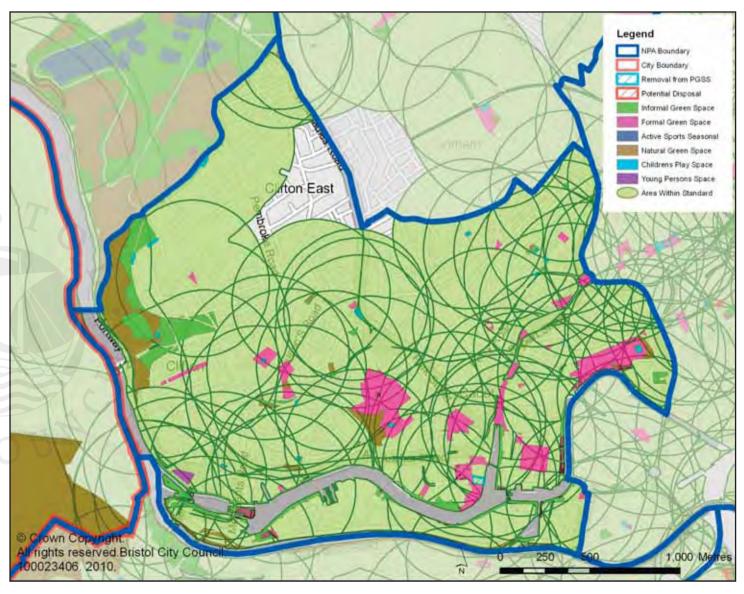
These changes affect the southern part of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area, all of which already falls within the distance standard for any type of open space.

There are no changes that will reduce the area that falls outside the distance standard in the north of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area.

The percentage of the population that will be outside the distance standard for any green space will remain unchanged at 7%.

Areas where the standard is currently met







Quantity

The Quantity Standard relates to the amount of green space that should be in the city.

The Quantity Standard has both a citywide and a local component. The citywide Quantity Standard is the figure used to compare Bristol and its standards with other cities and is largely fixed. However, for planning and land management purposes the local component is more important because it ensures there is an adequate supply in every neighbourhood.

- Local component the minimum amount of green space that any area should have.
- 2. Citywide component the total amount of space within all the city's large destination parks. This includes Blaise/Kingweston, Oldbury Court/Snuff Mills, The Downs, Hengrove Play Park, and the area of Ashton Court that sits within the city's boundary. These are sites that attract citywide and regional visitors.

Proposed minimum quantity standard:

	sq m/ capita	Hectares/ 1000 pop
Locality Component	18.0	1.80
City wide component (Destination parks)	9.8	0.98
Total Bristol Standard	27.8	2.78

Locality Standards for different types of space:

	sq m/ capita	Hectares/ 1000 pop
Children's play space	0.3	0.03
Formal green space	2.0	0.20
Informal green space	8.0	0.80
Natural green space	9.0	0.90
Active sports space	See Playing Pitch Strategy & notes below	

The changes in the type of open space proposed in the Distance Standard maps will ensure that the Quantity Standards set by the Parks and Green Space Strategy will be better met in this Neighbourhood Partnership Area.

When proposing the introduction of new types of space a projection of future population, size and location, has been considered and included in calculations. Population projection figures have been used using the latest information from the Office of National Statistics (ONS estimate). A further population projection has been generated using data informing the Bristol Development Framework, based on the city's Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment and Site Allocations (GLA estimate). This information makes it easier to target more precisely where new populations might be located in the future.

When open spaces are proposed for disposal, they are not included in the application of the Quantity Standard. In most circumstances, open space is not recommended for disposal if it is needed to meet minimum open space provision.

The table below sets out how well the Quantity Standard for each type of space is met at present, and the impact on this if the changes proposed were implemented. The table does the same with a future population projection included. Open spaces that are proposed for disposal are not included in these figures. In most circumstances, an open space cannot be disposed of if it is needed to meet minimum standards for the provision of publicly accessible green space.

How the Quantity Standard will be met in 2026 if related ideas and options are adopted:

	Standard sq m/person	Current provision sq m/person	ONS 2026 population estimate sq m/person	GLA 2026 population estimate sq m/person
Children's play space	0.3	0.14	0.13	0.15
Formal green space	2.0	6.87	5.12	5.68
Informal green space	8.0	6.11	4.55	5.05
Natural green space	9.0	4.85	3.63	4.03
Locality standard	18.0	17.97	13.44	14.91

Link routes in Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East

Links for cyclists and pedestrians outside of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area and their potential to connect to open spaces in neighbouring areas has already been referred to.

Within the area itself, most of the open spaces available to the public are in the southern half. These spaces have been largely classed as formal open space but they vary significantly in age and design. Improving and advertising links between these spaces has the potential to widen people's experience of different open spaces and provide walking/cycling routes which are of value in their own right.



Cumberland Basin

Harbourside Walkway

Part of the Harbour Estate, the pedestrian/cycle routes which together make up the dockside walkway are increasingly used for access and recreational purposes.

Along the northern side of the harbour the walkway is nearing completion as adjoining developments are constructed. To the south the Marina and Underfall Yard both currently act as obstacles to an uninterrupted route.

Within the central area although there are a number of spaces alongside the water, such as Bathhurst Basin, Welshback and Redcliffe Wharf there is no coherent off road route between them at present.

Towards Cumberland Basin it is possible to connect between the north and southern sections in a couple of places but at present the routes are not clear.

There is a need to improve the signage of the walkway in particular where the route diverts from the waterside but also improve and add to the interpretation material along its length. The links to the Chocolate Path and the footbridge to Clifton at Cumberland Basin also need to be signed.

Signage will not only benefit users but will also reduce potential conflicts with the operational requirements of the docks. Seating and bin provision where space allows should also be considered. There may be scope to introduce some landscaping.

A consensus on the naming of sections of the walkway is needed and a consistent approach to signage and interpretation is required.

Currently Destination Bristol are leading on a project to promote and enhance the harbour area. This is a private/public partnership project and amongst other things will look at signage. This will build on work already undertaken by various stakeholders, to include Spike Island, in conjunction with the Legible City Project.

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Harbour Estates Management Plan



Southside of floating harbour



Walkway by Pooles Wharf



Bathurst Basin



Walkway adjacent to Hotwells Road

Other links

Elsewhere within the Neighbourhood
Partnership Area there are a variety of pleasant
off road routes that can be partially used as
links between open spaces. Several have
historic significance and are public rights of
way but are often steep and not suitable for
cycle use. There are no proposals to sign them
as part of this plan but their maintenance and
improvement should be pursued as public
rights of way or adopted highway.

Examples include Mardyke Steps and Whiteheart Steps leading from Hotwell Road to Cliftonwood, from where the open spaces in Clifton are within easy walking distance. The route through St Andrews Churchyard to Victoria Square Park and then into Clifton Village and The Downs provides an experience of some of the best bits of Clifton.

A key link, that is partly on road, is between Park Street, Brandon Steep, Brandon Hill and from then up to Clifton. This would be facilitated by improved crossing facilities on Jacobs Wells Road.

In Kingsdown, Spring Hill connects Kings Square with upper Kingsdown and although this connects with little open space, it forms part of a useful east to west route between Montpelier, the University and across to Whiteladies Road.



Spring Hill



Appendix 2.

How the Area Green Space Plan would meet the policies set out in the Parks and Green Space Strategy

Policy Area		PGSS Policy No.	How ideas and options would act to meet the policy
Children and young people			
	Developing a diverse range of children's play spaces including natural play	CY1	Play will be extended at Brandon Hill and Dove Street. New play is proposed at Victoria Square Park. The possibility of extending the existing play on The Downs and introduce a new play area to the north of this NPA is to be explored. Each of these will provide an opportunity to introduce variety in the equipment reflecting the local context and the results of consultation with local people at the time resources become available.
	Provide diverse, exciting and challenging spaces for young people	CY2	MUGAs and Wheels Park- Please see proposals on following pages At present there are no MUGAs or Wheels Parks in this NPA but the southern part of the NPA falls within the distance standard for both as a result of the
			facilities at Dame Emily Park in Bedminster. There are playing pitches and an opportunity for kickabout on The Downs to the north of this NPA.
			The possibility of a new wheels park on land under the flyover at Hotwells is detailed below. The consolidation of the existing use of Lloyds Amphitheatre for skateboarders is also put forward for consideration.
			Other teenage provision could be in the form of a dual use area to include kickabout on the former bowls green at Brandon Hill, play equipment for older children at Dove Street and similar at Castle Park.



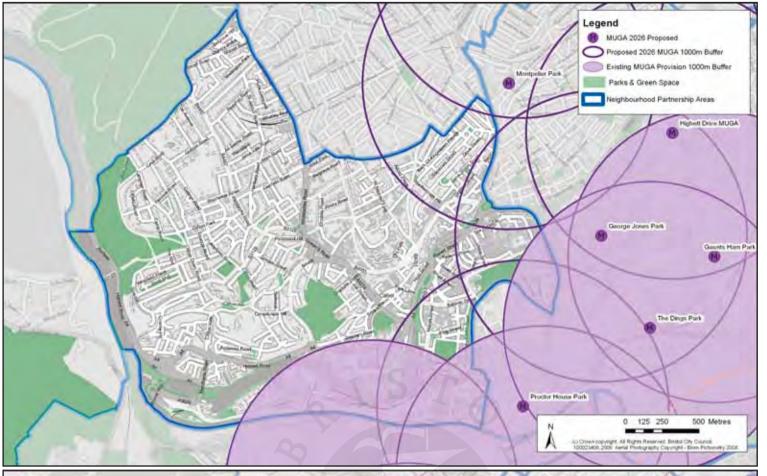
Wheels Parks and MUGAs

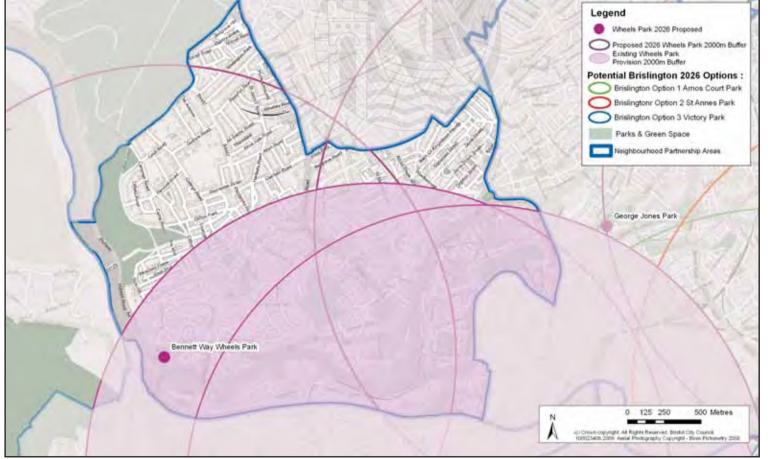
The Parks and Green Space Strategy sets out that young people should have access to a Multi-Use-Games-Area (MUGA) within 1km of where they live and access to a Wheels Park within 2km.

A MUGA is an all-weather surfaced, fenced, ball court with goalposts and basketball hoops. They are commonly lit during the darker months to a set time in the evening.

A Wheels Park is an area purposely designed for wheel sport activities. These can have a solo use like a stone chip covered BMX track or a be a multi-purpose concrete park. Wheels parks attempt to offer a more secure setting to an activity that can be a medium to high risk activity.

The map below identifies that there are currently no MUGAs or Wheels Parks in the Neighbourhood Partnership Area that fit the required standard for young people to use. There are a number of options available to meet the policy set out in the Parks and Green Space Strategy.





Sites within 1km distance performance target.

The Map shows that at present a south section of the neighbourhood partnership area is served by MUGAs as a result of Dame Emily Park in Bedminster.

There are no proposals for new MUGAs.

Wheels Park within 2km distance performance target

The southern part of the NPA is already well served by the Wheels Park at Dame Emily Park and this is scheduled for further improvement.

Two options are put forward for Wheels Park.

- 1) A new wheels park underneath the flyover in Hotwells north of the Cumberland Basin is proposed. This would serve a large part of the remainder of the NPA.
- 2) The skateboarding use of College Green and Lloyds Amphitheatre is ongoing. It is proposed that consideration be given to 'edge' hardening the steps at Lloyds to make it more user friendly to skateboarders, stop ongoing damage from existing skateboard activity and deter from the use of College Green, which has caused nuisance.

This would not serve the same area as the above proposal but reflects existing demand, as the amphitheater is a key youth space attracting visitors from within and outside the city.



Policy Area		PGSS Policy No.	How ideas and options would act to meet the policy
Formal Green Space			
	Ensure there is a good traditional park within easy reach of home offering a range of facilities (multifunctional park with a range of facilities including a Park Keeper)	FG1	Castle Park already acts as a traditional park but there is a pressing need for improvements. The proposed Improvement Plan will start this process. Brandon Hill also acts as a traditional park.
	Providing a Park Keeper in all main traditional parks as a minimum	FG2	There is already a park keeper at Castle Park and Brandon Hill with Downs Rangers on The Downs. Another park keeper covers a range of spaces in Clifton and Cliftonwood.
	Enhance entry points and boundaries	FG4	This will be a key theme to the improvements at Castle Park. A new entrance is proposed at Quakers Burial Ground. Improvements to boundaries and entrances appear in the proposals for each site.
	Safeguard a variety of designed landscapes which have arisen from the historic development of the city	FG5	The reinstatement of the historic landscape at Mall Gardens is proposed and similar to be considered for Park Place and Freemantle Square
	Provide visual planting schemes in key formal green spaces	FG7	Formal planting is proposed as part of the creation of a formal area at Dove Street.
Informal Green Space	Restore and enclose formal squares	FG8	Works to Park Place and Freemantle Square would help to upgrade and reinstate these spaces.
	Tackle anti-social behaviour focusing on prevention and greater responsiveness to incidents, access and visibility	IG2	The police and the park keeper address anti-social behaviour on an ongoing basis at Castle Park. Remodelling of the park will improve passive surveillance. The police and youth services are working with young people at College Green, Lloyds Amphitheatre and Brandon Hill. The new entrance and improvement of passive surveillance will help tackle anti social behaviour at Quakers Burial Ground. All investment proposals made in the Area Green Space Plan will act to prevent the risk of antisocial behaviour by encouraging an increase in the number of visitors.
	Upgrade some areas of informal green space for safe play and sport, including enclosing them with railings and making them dog free	IG3	Options put forward are for Park Place and Freemantle Square to be dog free.



Policy Area		PGSS Policy No.	How ideas and options would act to meet the policy
Natural Green Space			
	Safeguard and enhance rich and diverse habitats an species within parks and green spaces through a Biodiversity Action Plan, (BAP), for Bristol.	NG3	Proposals within the Avon Gorge Management Plan will safeguard and support the unique natural habitats in the Gorge. The proposed Harbour estates Management Plan will address nature conservation issues.
	Create new habitats for wildlife to remedy shortfall in natural green space.	NG5	There is little natural space in the area, but planting works will add to nature conservation value where possible.

Active Sports Space



At present there is no formal active sports provision in Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East. There are however pitches on The Downs to the north of the Neighbourhood Partnership Area. It is proposed to look into the possibility of a boules pitch at Clifton Hill open space.

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Policy Area		PGSS Policy No.	How ideas and options would act to meet the policy
Other land management policies			
	Restore and develop park buildings for a range of alternative uses.	LM3	The redevelopment of the parks depot and toilets on Brandon Hill could be considered if an alternative depot site could be found. This would enable a visitors hub including cafe to be created. At Castle Park, alternative use of the Parks Depot and Vaulted Chambers is to be considered as part of the improvement proposals. The former is being considered for a cafe and the latter a visitors centre.
	Provide good quality accessible toilets	LM4	The toilets at Brandon Hill are well used but in poor condition- options are to upgrade existing facilities or provide new facilities linked to a cafe. The toilets close to the Suspension Bridge on The Downs are well used and in good condition. There are also toilets at Castle Park, the location and design of which will be looked at as part of the improvement plan.
	Improve access to green spaces for a wider range of people by creating dog free spaces whilst ensuring dog walkers retain a varied choice of green space to visit	LM5	It is proposed that the extended children's play areas at Brandon Hill and Dove Street will be dog free and also the proposed play space at Victoria Square Park. There is an opportunity to make Park Place completely dog free. There is a fundamental conflict between the enclosure of play spaces on The Downs and the provisions of The Downs Act. All spaces where dog free areas are proposed include sufficient land where responsible dog owners are welcome. Enforcement is to be used to deter dog fouling of the Chocolate Path.
	Develop and re-design some backland sites to provide frontages of houses looking onto the site - creating a community focal point and improve feelings of safety	LM7	Where new development is proposed on Recliffe Wharf a good relationship with the park with passive surveillance has to date been proposed and a connecting route between the two is included.
	Establish greater connection with transport planning to improve access, entrances and pathways to and within sites for different users	LM11	Transport Planning have been informed of the highway safety issues that have arisen during consultation, and safer crossings at Kings Square are being investigated and a crossing of Jacobs Wells Road.



Policy Area		PGSS Policy No.	How ideas and options would act to meet the policy
Other land management policies continued			
	Improve the quality of green corridors, riverside routes and cycle/walkways for recreation, biodiversity and commuting	LM12	Improvements to the Harbourside Walkway and The Chocolate Path are included in this plan. Works are underway to create an attractive greenway along the Frome Valley to the east.









