

Bristol Parks Forum

Campaigning to protect and enhance all public green space in the City of Bristol. See our Vision for Parks & Green Spaces at www.bristolparksforum.org.uk/vision

Statement to Development Control Committee B - 5th April 2023 Agenda Item 9b – Local Development Order – Bristol Heat Network. 22/05628/LDO

The Bristol Parks Forum is the only community voice dedicated to all publicly owned parks and green spaces in Bristol. We work with Bristol City Council to ensure our spaces are well looked after and to help local groups to enhance their green space. Further information about the Forum can be found at http://www.bristolparksforum.org.uk/

The Bristol Parks Forum submitted an objection to the above 19 January 2023.

Following discussions with the Bristol City Council I am pleased to confirm that the majority of our concerns have been met.

The main outstanding item is whether there should be a requirement for consultation with local communities from the start of the design proposals, through construction and into maintenance for individual areas as they come forward. We feel that this would bring benefits to the projects as issues of importance are likely to be highlighted earlier, rather than left undiscovered until works have started.

The way our objection has been dealt with by the Council, shows the value of discussions between parties in the period between the objection period closing and the decision being made.

Bristol Parks Forum Committee 03 April 2023