

## How do we align NPs & Parks Groups?

- BCC needs an overview of what's happening in each area.
- Impossible for members of the Park group to attend all the meetings happening & influence decisions.
- All NPs work in completely different ways huge problems & make it difficult for vols to engage
- What is the role of B.P.F in this process?
- What will happen to green spaces without active groups?
- Need to have a clear means of making decisions & who is able to part in that process & means of resolving conflict.
- Be clear about who will enforce decisions.
- Make sure environment subgroups are functioning well in each NP; Should be attended by a Bcc officer; make sure local parks groups are invited to attend & realise importance of attending.

## Priorities

- Maintain what we have.
- Are green flag parks the priority, if so , can other parks become G.F parks/
- Recognise different needs of Nature Reserves & have a management plan.
- Need officers with horticultural & arborial & wildlife expertise.
- Set up an expert's panel to advice on nature conservation (eg. BNAC).
- Need management plans that are concise & easy to draw up by VDLS.

## **Cost implications of change**

- How do we decide.
- Eg; bins instead of grass cutting.

## **Can we identify more important spaces?**

- Heritage Estates.
- Nature Reserves
- Formal Parks.
- Open Spaces.
- Destination Parks.

**Worry that these will drain resources from other parks spaces at the detriment to.**

**Minimum standard for all spaces.**

**A Core Standard?**

**Where do management plans fit in.**

**NP's must involve parks groups**

**How?**

**Capacity – is it too big a challenge.**

**What are core service items that can be influenced?**

**Grass, Trees, Bins, Paths, Etc., Etc.**

**This needs to be clear.**

**Need for reduction in bureaucracy.**

**Communication?**

**Np; Bpf; Websites, Twitter, FB; Notice Boards,**

**Staff on the ground.**

**Parks Groups Direct. (Housing?)**

**Bcc –Deadlines + Clear Timescales.**

**Audit & Mapping of all green spaces in N.P. area – including Allotments**

- **Cemeteries & Crematoriums.**
- **Highways – Housing.**
- **Roundabouts – Verge's.**
- **Parks & green.**
- **Space – Schools.**
- **Harbour side-River Banks.**
- **Cycle tracks.**
- **Space needed.**

**Roles of volunteers & How to manage?**

**Is there still a problem enforcing Dog Littering in longer grass?**

**Important spaces – heritage destination.**

- **Dog exercise spaces.**
- **Housing Setting.**
- **Serves Residents.**

## **Understanding of costs**

- **Is meadow cut cheaper?**
- **(what is regime? Once a year? August?)**
- **Allow bulbs-low parsley to set seed)**

**New parks need to be aware of groups in their area.**

**Environmental sub groups to engage with these (if environmental good is effective)**

**Or Bristol parks form groups to lead process.**

**Need very clear & simple list of what maintenance tasks are.**

**(And what it isn't e.g. Replacement of equipment)**

**Don't need R.F to turn up to every neighbourhood forum.**

**(Get new parks –environmental group, Bristol park forum group to lead?)**

**Audit of parks groups – (Bristol parks forum Help)**

**Check how to get Feedback for parks without groups.**

- **Interactive websites – blogs**
- **Resourcing**
- **= Communication**
  
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- **Email – website    social – media**
- **Bristol city council ask – news    Bristol parks forum e-mail lists**
- **Parks group e-mail lists**
- **Local amenity society e-mail lists**

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