



# 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](http://www.bristolparksforum.org.uk/vision)

Dear Corporate Finance Team.

## **Consultation on Budget 2024-25 November 2023 – response from Bristol Parks Forum Committee.**

The Bristol Parks Forum Committee is writing to respond to the above consultation.

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/>

We are writing in to ask for two things:

- 1) Reassurance that whatever is the result of further consideration of the funding and pressures on the Council's budgets, that the Parks and Green Spaces related budget will not be reduced in actual or comparative terms.
- 2) Early warning of any changes to the parks department budgets that may occur which affect parks and green spaces. We would also welcome the chance to comment on them should they occur.

You will be familiar with the many benefits that our parks and green spaces provide to the City, its residents and its wildlife.

It is critical that those are maintained and enhanced so that those benefits continue and are available to all residents.

We have copied this to Cllr Ellie King, Cabinet Member for Public Health and Communities; and Jon James, Head of the Natural and Marine Environment in the City Council.

If you have any questions on our response, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Len Wyatt  
Chair

**For Bristol Parks Forum**  
**20th December 2023**