

Queen's Park Consultative Group

Date: WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2017

Time: 3.00 pm

Venue: PARK MANAGER'S OFFICE, QUEEN'S PARK, LONDON NW6

Members: Karina Dostalova (Chairman) Councillor Eleanor Southwood (London

Anne Fairweather (Deputy Borough of Brent)

Chairman) John Blandy, (Queen's Park Area

Ruby Saved Residents' Association)

Virginia Bonham Carter (Ark Helen Durnford, (Queen's Park Area

Franklin Primary School) Residents' Association)

Cllr James Denselow, (London Giovanna Torrico, (Friends of Salusbury

Borough of Brent) School)

Councillor Neil Nerva (London Vicky Zentner (Kensal Rise Residents'

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Please meet at Queen's Park Café at 12.50pm

John Barradell
Town Clerk and Chief Executive

AGENDA

Public Agenda

- 1. **APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA
- 3. **MINUTES**

To agree the public minutes and summary of the meeting held on 14 June 2017.

For Decision (Pages 1 - 8)

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE REPORT

Report of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath.

For Discussion (Pages 9 - 14)

5. QUEEN'S PARK CAFE UPDATE

The Superintendent to be heard.

For Information

6. **DEVELOPING A DIVISIONAL PLAN FOR HAMPSTEAD HEATH, HIGHGATE WOOD, KEATS HOUSE AND QUEEN'S PARK**

Report of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath.

For Discussion (Pages 15 - 38)

- 7. QUESTIONS
- 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT
- 9. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS** 24 April 2018 at 3.00pm.

QUEEN'S PARK CONSULTATIVE GROUP Wednesday, 14 June 2017

Minutes of the meeting of the Queen's Park Consultative Group held at Park Manager's Office, Queen's Park, London NW6 on Wednesday, 14 June 2017 at 12.00 pm

Present

Members:

Karina Dostalova (Chairman)
Anne Fairweather (Deputy Chairman)
Ruby Sayed
Virginia Bonham Carter
John Blandy
Giovanna Torrico
Vicky Zentner

Officers:

Bose Kayode - Town Clerk's Department
Alistair MacLellan - Town Clerk's Department

Richard Gentry - Constabulary and Queen's Park Manager
Bob Warnock - Superintendent of Hampstead Heath

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor James Denselow (London Borough of Brent), Councillor Eleanor Southwood (London Borough of Brent) and Councillor Neil Nerva (London Borough of Brent).

2. DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS OF ANY PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS IN RESPECT OF ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

There were no declarations.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2017 were approved and agreed by the committee as an accurate record.

RESOLVED – That the public minutes of the meeting held on 16 January 2017 be approved.

4. SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATE - JUNE 2017

The group received a report of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath that provided an update since November 2016 on management and operational activities including; operational working arrangements, income generation, sustainability, conservation, infrastructure and facilities

<u>Developments to date:</u>

Members were informed of developments within the Park to date and noted the following;

- Last year, the Park received a Green Flag Award. The Park was 'mystery shopped this year. The outcome will be announced on the 18 July 2017.
- The Park is hoping to maintain its London in Bloom Gold Award.

Junior Park Run;

The 'Junior Parkrun' which started in January 2017 has to date seen up to 100 children taking part in the event each Sunday morning. The event is a great way in which children are able to get involved in sports and fitness. Members queried whether any money was raised from the 'Junior Parkrun'. However, they were informed that this was not the case as the event was funded through sponsorship and runners are not charged to participate in the run. There will however, be a local fun run which has been organised by the Ark Franklin School in which any monies raised would go towards projects at the school.

Tennis Courts:

There had been an increase in the number of individuals using the tennis courts. The intake on the summer tennis coaching was high and had been well received. The introduction of 'ClubSpark' (a bespoke online booking system) had seen a 17% increase in its use. In addition, the introduction of the new system has also had an impact in reducing the amount of time being spent by staff members booking individuals onto the tennis courts, allowing them to focus their time elsewhere in the Park on other duties.

There is additional work required to maintain the tennis courts. It is anticipated that works will begin during the winter months. Courts will be painted in early spring and members were also informed that courts 5 and 6 required repair. Members suggested looking at funding options provided by the Wembley National Stadium Trust to ascertain whether the Park was able to secure any funding towards sporting events.

Donation Box:

It was noted that there is currently a donation box within the farm area which generates approximately £2k per annum. Members discussed the implementation of a donation box to be situated near the paddling pool area. The area is highly popular and widely used during its opening months of May – September. Access is free and there is a member of staff present at all times. The paddling pool area has had a number of updates in the past, with additional works due to be conducted later on in the year. It was considered that the implementation of an interactive donation box would not only be informative and act as a means of providing education to users about the Park, but it could also entice further giving. Suggestions for the interactive donation box could also include information on how donated monies are used to

contribute to the upkeep of the Park and to improve park services. Members asked that consideration be given to the implementation of donation boxes across other Parks within the City.

<u>Information Sharing:</u>

Members further discussed methods in which information relating to the Park is shared and communicated to users. A number of suggestions included information being shared on the Park website, via an app designed for the Park, notice boards around the café area, posters, and bite size information located around the Park. Further, it was noted that the way in which information is shared would be dependent on the content of information.

RESOLVED – That:-

- (a) Members noted the dates and times of the Queen's Park Bandstand events in the summer. Bookings for the Bandstand continued for parties and that any monies generated would be reinvested back in to the Park.
- (b) The implementation of an interactive donation box to be researched and installed near the paddling pool area.
- (c) The Division's Communication Officer to consider methods in which information is delivered and widely communicated to Park users.

5. PLAY AREA TOILETS - ADDITION OF A TOILET

The group received a report of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath that provided an update on a scoping exercise which had been carried out for the development of an additional public toilet to be provided at the Children's Sand Pit. It was noted that the additional single dwelling toilet would give access from one side only, contain a combined adult and child's toilet, would be accessible for wheelchair users, and would contain a baby changing table.

Members were referred to the three proposals provided by the City Surveyor and noted that the preferred option was option three which included the installation of a disabled toilet and additional child's WC, (retaining the service hallway) connected to the existing external wall.

Members queried the proposed costings for the project and discussed whether it was a feasible cost given that the development involved a relatively small building. Members also queried the comparative cost of rebuilding the toilet as a whole unit as opposed to adding an extension onto the existing building. There were no comparative figures available. Members were informed of the difficulties in knocking down the existing toilets, particularly as the building as it stands is adequate, maintained and fit for purpose. In addition, Members were informed that the costings presented, represented a 'general' proposed figure and not a final costing of the works to be carried out.

It was considered that the addition of a single toilet unit in the play area is a priority. Possible additional work could be completed as part of a long term agenda and could include the introduction of hygienic work surfaces and upgrades to the interior design and functionality of the toilets. In addition,

Members were informed that a sum in the region of £8k was allocated to the Park through the Cyclical Works Programme for renovations of the toilets which would be put towards the yearly upkeep of the facility.

Whilst Members noted that there could be increased demand on the single additional toilet, it agreed with the proposal for the development of a disabled toilet (including baby changing facilities) accessible from the Sand Pit, and an additional children's toilet (proposal 3).

There was also discussion around the implementation of a Living Wall (or similar) on the exterior walls of the play area toilets. However, there were no definitive plans as of yet as further research is required.

RESOLVED – That:-

- (a) The report outlining the design proposal be noted.
- (b) Members agreed with the proposal for a disabled toilet and additional child's WC, (retaining the storage hallway) connected to the existing external.
- (c) The front doors leading into the toilets to be painted in a shade of green.
- (d) A Landscape Architect to look into the proposal of having a Living Wall (or similar) on the exterior walls of the play area toilets before any final decisions are made.
- (e) Queries to be made with the Accessibility Group to enquire as to the possibility of funding sources to contribute towards the addition of the accessible toilet.
- (f) The Division's Tree Officer reviews the location of the proposed building in relation to the root protection areas of the adjacent trees.

6. QUEEN'S PARK CAFÉ - OPTIONS APPRAISAL

The group received a report of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath that informed members of the engagement and consultation exercise which took place in relation to the café provision at Queen's Park, which has now been completed.

Members were informed that a total of 391 responses were received and the feedback suggested that the café is valued as a community hub and an important asset in the Park. The quality and cost of food, along with the ambience were factors that were considered important by the public.

Members were asked to confirm the recommendation that the City of London Corporation commence a new tender for the lease of the café.

Members queried the three year term set for the lease and stated that this could deter some businesses from wanting to sign up for a lease due to the short period. It was suggested that an incentive be introduced which could act as a way to entice particular businesses to signing a lease for a period of three years. Further, Members asked whether some form of guarantee could be given to business owners which could again act as a way to entice new businesses to sign a three year lease. Members were informed that whilst no

guarantees could be given, there will be the introduction of a business performance process where customer reviews would be sought.

RESOLVED – That:-

(a) Members agreed with the proposal and recommend that a new tender process for the lease of the Queen's Park Café be initiated.

7. OPEN SPACES & HERITAGE BUSINESS PLAN 2017/18

The group received a report of the Director of Open Spaces that reflected the broader range of activity under the heading "Open Spaces & Heritage". The proposed Business Plan reflects the changes being made Corporately to Business Planning, with particular focus on outcomes.

Members were informed of the significant activity taking place within the City and noted that there were clear set objectives for each Department. In addition, the report included details on how the aims and objectives were being met.

Members noted that the London Borough of Brent was going through a period of regeneration. It was asked whether the Corporation had been in communication with Brent regarding the potential impact and increase in visitor numbers at Queen's Park as a result of the regeneration and for any thoughts as to how to move forward. Members were informed that whilst no general discussions had taken place with Brent, comments had been made in relation to planning that could impact upon parks and open spaces within the Borough.

RESOLVED – That:-

(a) The Superintendent would consider the implications for Queen's Park in relation to the South Kilburn Regeneration Scheme.

8. QUEEN'S PARK FARM REVITALISATION PROJECT

The group received a report of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath that provided a draft vision to revitalise the children's farm to promote greater public engagement.

Details of the project included a larger, more visually pleasing, entrance and user friendly farm with integrated and focused educational information. In addition, Members were informed that the re-development would allow for an increase in chickens, rabbits, turkeys and miniature sheep and would include additional space allocated to animal housing. It is anticipated that the project would benefit local school groups and members of the local community who visit the farm.

The design and the layout of the re-development were discussed. Members were informed that the proposal is for the development to replicate a figure eight which should aid in increasing traffic flow, donations and provide scope for increased community group and school visits.

Members queried whether a visitor shelter would be included in the project. It was noted that were there scope for a visitor shelter to be included in the expansion, one could be considered.

In addition, Members asked whether consideration could be given to the inclusion of bramble and blackberries when the new hedge is planted alongside the inclusion of perspex windows to allow the public to see inside the enclosures from the Park. Members were informed that the seating area outside the enclosure facing into the Park would also be maintained.

Further queries included the use of the existing pathways and whether they could be incorporated into the plans. It was noted that it may not be possible for the paths to be incorporated within the project due to the new design of the farm.

RESOLVED – That:-

- (a) Members noted the report and commended the vision and framework of the development.
- (b) Members noted the visualisation proposal and supported proposal B.
- (c) A detailed outline and costings of the proposal to be provided to Members at the next Queen's Park Farm Revitalisation project report.

9. QUESTIONS

Members asked whether future reports of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath could include a breakdown of revenue generated within the Park. It was also asked whether future reports could include information on other services which could be introduced to the Park as a potential source of income.

RESOLVED – That:-

(a) Future reports of the Superintendent of Hampstead Heath include a detailed breakdown of revenue generated within the Park and details of other possible avenues of revenue.

10. ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT THE CHAIRMAN CONSIDERS URGENT

The Chairman sought views from Members as to altering the timings of future meetings to start later in the day and for the venue of the meetings to take place on site at the Park as opposed to taking place at the Guildhall.

Details of the proposal were outlined. It was suggested that the meeting scheduled to take place on 1 November 2017 take place on site at the Park with a suggested start time of 14:00. This would include an initial walk of the Park followed by the meeting at 15:00 and afternoon tea from 16:00.

RESOLVED - That:-

(a) Future meetings of Queens Park Consultative Group are held at 14:00 on site at the Park and are to be followed by the meeting and afternoon tea.

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next was noted to be 1 November 2017.

The meeting ended at 1.40 am

Chairman

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Agenda Item 4

| Committee | Dated: |
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| Queen's Park Consultative Group | 29 November 2017 |
| Subject: | Public |
| Superintendent's Update – Queen's Park | |
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| Report of: | For Discussion |
| Bob Warnock – Superintendent of Hampstead Heath | |
| Report author: | |
| Richard Gentry – Constabulary & Queen's Park Manager | |

Summary

This report provides an update on management and operational activities within the Park since June 2017, including an update on the recent Café tender process.

Recommendation(s)

It is recommended that:

- Members provide feedback in relation to the events proposed for 2018.
- Members provide feedback in relation to the Café tender evaluation.
- The views of the Queen's Park Consultative Group will be conveyed to the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee at their next meeting in February 2018.

Main Report

Background

1. The Park continues to provide a much loved and cherished Open Space in the London Borough of Brent. Facilities available in the Park include an inclusive Children's Play Area, tennis and pitch & putt facilities, a Paddling Pool and a Children's Farm. The Park contains a number of valuable habitats and heritage features.

Operational Management

Two recruitment campaigns have been run in 2017 in an attempt to fill a vacant Team Leader post following a restructure of the Queen's Park Team. The post was offered to a candidate but was turned down as the applicant had been offered a secondment to work elsewhere. The Park Manager is working with the HR Business Partner to review the Job Description and Person Specification for this post, before re-advertising in early 2018. A further update on this post will be given to this group in April 2018.

- 2. The Queen's Park Team are now operating a 1:3 weekend rota, with a full time equivalent establishment of 8 members of staff. No issues have been encountered with the rota either by the staff or operationally. During the summer months and in to the autumn, casual staff have supported the full time staff with the ongoing maintenance of the Park.
- 3. Cyclical works have been carried out in the Park as part of the City of London Surveyor's Department Cyclical Works Programme. Works in the current 2017/18 Financial Year have included; resurfacing of the Paddling Pool; the installation of new pump equipment; an electrical rewire at the Pool. The Play Area toilets have also been rewired and the lighting replaced. The installed lighting is now operated by a sensor.
- 4. The City Surveyor's Department is in the process of obtaining quotations for the resurfacing and repainting of the tennis courts.

Projects and Programmes

- 5. Queen's Park Children's Farm.
 - The Project Team have been meeting to discuss the project plan for the Children's Farm. This has included costings for the project and a delivery timescale. Staff will aim to deliver much of this project internally, utilising skills from within the Division and working in partnership with colleagues.
- 6. Queen's Park Play Area Toilets
 - There is evidence of movement in the walls and floor of the Ladies' Toilets by the Play Area. The defect has been reported to the Technical Advisory Group (TAG), part of the City of London Surveyor's Department. Floor tiles in the toilet have begun to lift and there are cracks in some of the walls. Any suggested works to improve this facility will be placed on hold until further investigation and a report has been received from the TAG Team.

7. Queen's Park Sandpit

 The City of London Procurement Team is undertaking a tender for the procurement of play equipment, including installation. The tender ends on the 21 November 2017 and an evaluation process will follow. Much of the ground works and preparation will be carried out internally, to ensure the project remains within the agreed budget.

8. Queen's Park Café

• The City of London Procurement Team has run a tender for the lease of the Queen's Park Café. In the interim, Hoxton Beach have provided a catering offer following the departure of the previous tenant on 1 October 2017. The tender closed on the 12 November and bids received will be evaluated after this date. Engagement has taken place with local stakeholders, enabling them to consider the catering concept and menu offers. A further update on the tender will be presented to this Group at their meeting on the 29 November 2017.

Sustainability

- 9. Recycling continues to be removed from the Park by an external contractor, Veolia. In the Financial Year 2016/17 the Park spent £2,680 to provide this service.
- 10. Green waste is removed from the Park by a City of London contractor, Amey. In the Financial Year 2016/17 £10,810 was spent removing green waste from the Park. The removal of recycled materials and waste is funded through the Superintendent's Local Risk Budget.

Ecology and Environment

- 11. The Park succumbed to Oak Processionary Moth in June 2017. The Arb Team have visited the Park 11 times since June 2017. The works carried out by the Team included:
 - Surveying for Oak Processionary Moth nest were undertaken in July.
 Three nests across two trees (one oak tree north west of the staff yard,
 and one oak tree in the southern end of the staff yard) were identified.
 Removal of the three nests was carried out by a specialist contractor in
 July.
 - Removal of Massaria diseased branches on London Plane trees (July & August).
 - Reduction of two dead horse chestnut trees along Milman Road and Harvist Road (August).
 - Removal of the ash monolith along Kingswood Avenue, which was deemed to be unstable (September).
 - Tree Safety audit inspection of all trees within the Park (September).
 - Reduction of the lime tree south of bandstand, due to stability (October).
- 12. The Director of Open Spaces has formed a Biosecurity Working Group made up of Tree Managers from The Royal Parks and the City of London's Open Spaces. The group will meet annually but will also provide an opportunity to collaborate more effectively.
- 13. As part of the Annual Work Programme, staff have completed a project to reseed the amenity turfed areas, the ornamental grass area in the Quiet Garden and the Pitch & Putt course. The process has required the Team to seed, fertilise, weed and aerate the turf. It is estimated that £2,000 has been saved by utilising the skills of the Queen's Park Team in place of an external contractor.

- 14. The entrance gate notice boards have been refreshed with an updated map, which can also be found on the Queen's Park web page.
- 15. Queen's Park has retained its Green Flag and Green Heritage status; it has also achieved a Gold Award in the London in Bloom Awards. These awards demonstrate the dedication of the Team in delivery a green spaces which is recognised as being of a high quality.
- 16. Following the closure of the West Ham Park Nursery, bedding and baskets were procured through an external supplier. The hanging baskets in particular looked spectacular throughout the summer and attracted attention from visitors.
- 17. The Park Team Leader and the Senior Hampstead Heath Ecologist are in the process of developing a Draft Management Plan for the Woodland Walk. Further engagement with the local community and this Group will be carried out to help inform this draft plan. An update on this plan will be provided to this Group at their meeting in April 2018.

Visitor and Community

- 18. In excess of 350 children from local schools have attended the Park recently to assist with Daffodil bulb planting. 3,500 bulbs have been planted in the Field of Hope, adjacent to the Play Area.
- 19. The Transition Town vegetable garden at the rear of the café continues to be maintained with new volunteers recruited by the Transition Town group to support this initiative. The raised planting beds in the playground area have flourished and a new water butt, purchased by the group, has been installed in this area to allow the herbs and vegetables to be watered on a daily basis.
- 20. The Hampstead Heath Constabulary continues to visit the Park and support the staff in educating our visitors to use the space responsibly and the enforcement of the byelaws.
- 21. Queen's Park has obtained a licence to hold Marriages and Civil Partnerships on the Bandstand. There is interest already in this location as a venue. Further marketing of the location will take place over the winter and spring.
- 22. The RSPB held their "Wild Park" sessions throughout the summer, teaching children about nature and the environment. They engaged with over 1,600 children and adults, and the feedback received from the public has been positive. It is hoped that this project will continue in 2018.
- 23. Playing Wild, delivered by a member of staff from the Divisional Learning Team, has been going really well at Queen's Park. The project engaged with 129 people at Queen's Park Day. Six participants on 28 September 2017 (three adults and three children) taking part in autumn art based activities and a scavenger hunt. Eight participants on 26 October 2017(three adults and five children) taking part in Halloween and autumn themed activities.

Events

- 24. Following the success of Shakespeare in the Squares in 2017, a request has been received to hold the event in Queen's Park Quiet Garden again on 23 June 2018. This popular event has been held in the Park for the last two years.
- 25. Where is the Nomad held four cinema screenings in 2017. The City of London will discuss with them any proposed dates for 2018, encouraging a more diverse and increased audience numbers to attend screenings over the summer.
- 26. Queen's Park Area Residents Association (QPARA) held another very successful Queen's Park Day on the 17 September 2017. In excess of 11,000 people attended the event. The event was attended by the Mayor of Brent, the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee and local MP, Tulip Sadiq. The Mayor of Brent, the Chairman and Deputy Chairman were complimentary of the event.
- 27. In 2018, it is proposed to hold a book festival in the Queen's Park Ward. A provisional request has been made to hold this event in the Park.
- 28. QPARA are also planning their bi-annual Open Gardens and Studios event in 2018. It is usual for Queen's Park to feature in this event as the hub of the local community.
- 29. The Queen's Park Manager is seeking feedback from the Group in relation to the proposed 2018 events outlined within this report.

Sports and Recreation

- 30. Tennis bookings are now managed through a system called ClubSpark. Bookers can access the courts via a keypad. A review of the tennis coaching model will be carried out over the winter with support from the Lawn Tennis Association. An update on the coaching model will be provided to this Group at the meeting in April 2018.
- 31. The introduction of Junior ParkRun in the Park has been well received. The ParkRun is almost a year old and receives an average 65 of junior runners each Sunday morning.
- 32. Regent Brass performed nine concerts on the Bandstand and ten magic shows for children were performed by the Play Area. An estimated 300 children and adults people attended these performance at any one time. These events are provided at no cost to our visitors.
- 33. The main field in the Park was used for school sports days by seven schools in the summer.

Fees & Charges 2018/19

34. The proposed fees and charges for 2018/19 were circulated to Members via email on 20 October. No adverse feedback was received from Members of the Group.

Corporate & Strategic Implications

- 35. This report will help fulfil the City of London Corporation's Corporate Plan 2015-19; to provide valued services, such as education, employment, culture and leisure, to London and the nation. The report also meets the Department's Strategic Goals and Objectives; To protect and conserve the ecology, biodiversity and heritage of our sites, Embed financial sustainability across our activities by delivering identified programmes and projects, Enrich the lives of Londoners by providing high quality and engaging educational and volunteering opportunities, Improve the health and wellbeing of community through access to green space and recreation. The report also contributes to the Departmental values of quality, inclusion, environment, promotion and people.
- 36. The City of London is statutorily obliged by virtue of various Acts of Parliament, and more specifically the Highgate and Kilburn Open Spaces Act 1886, to manage Queen's Park, protect it and make it available as open space for exercise and recreation. Queen's Park is also a registered charity. The City of London is allowed to make by-laws for the regulation of the Park and for appointing and regulating the duties and conduct of the Keepers employed in the Park. The City is not permitted to use the Park for any other purpose other than as a public park for the perpetual use of the public.

Implications

37. The operational requirements highlighted in the report will be met from the Superintendent's Local Risk Budget. Additional financial information will be provided at the meeting on the 29 November 2017.

Conclusion

38. The City of London continue to provide a much loved and respected Open Space for the benefit of the local community and wider London, meeting the charitable obligations for the use by the public for exercise and recreation. A number of projects are scheduled to be delivered in the next four years in the Park; the delivery of these projects will enhance the value of the green space to the local community and wider London.

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| Committees: | Dated: | | |
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| Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee | 9 October 2017 | | |
| Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee | 15 November 2017 | | |
| Highgate Wood Consultative Group | 22 November 2017 | | |
| Queen's Park Consultative Group | 29 November 2017 | | |
| Keats House Consultative Committee | TBC | | |
| Subject: | Public | | |
| Developing a Divisional Plan for Hampstead Heath, | | | |
| Highgate Wood, Keats House and Queen's Park | | | |
| Report of: | For Discussion | | |
| Superintendent of Hampstead Heath | | | |
| Report author: | | | |
| Yvette Hughes, Opens Spaces Department | | | |

Summary

The draft Divisional Plan (see Appendix 1 & 2) has been developed in order to provide a link between the 2018 Management Plan and Annual Work Programmes. The purpose of the plan is to steer the implementation of higher-level strategies and objectives, by prioritising programmes and projects for resource allocation.

The draft Divisional Plan is currently at a formative stage for consultation on format, structure and priorities. A further report will be prepared for the Consultative Committees and Consultative Groups in the January 2018 taking account of Members feedback.

Recommendation

Members are asked:

 To consider the draft Divisional Plan and provide feedback in relation to the format, structure and priorities to guide the development of the Divisional Plan.

Main Report

Background

 The 2018 Management Plan for Hampstead Heath will be integrated into a Management Framework that includes:

- A ten-year Management Plan that sets strategic direction, commencing in April 2018.
- A Divisional Plan (three-year) that guides implementation, commencing April 2018.
- Annual Work Programmes.
- 2. This format was discussed with the Hampstead Heath Consultative Committee and agreed by Members in November 2016.
- 3. The Management Framework for the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood, Keats House and Queen's Park Division is based on the approach outlined in the Hampstead Heath Management Plan 2007-2017, Chapter 8 Implementation and Prioritisation.
- 4. We are seeking to integrate this approach across all four sites, so that it becomes embedded into our ways of working, and as the principal means of engaging with Members, formal consultation forums and the wider community.

Current Position

- 5. A key element of Management Framework is the Divisional Plan, which is a three-year plan to steer the implementation of higher-level strategies and objectives, by prioritising programmes and projects for resource allocation.
- 6. The Divisional Plan will be prepared, implemented and reviewed on a threeyear rolling basis. The plan will present priorities and projects drawn from Management Plans, the Open Spaces Department Business Plan, Corporate Plan and other relevant policies and strategic documents.

Consultation

7. The Superintendent is seeking Members views and feedback in relation to the draft Divisional Plan (see Appendix 1 & 2) in order to guide the development of the Plan.

Next Steps

8. The Superintendent proposes to revise the draft plan in line with feedback and comments received. This will inform an updated Divisional Plan which will be presented to the Consultative Committees and Consultative Groups in January 2018.

Financial Implications

9. For each of the projects listed in the Divisional Plan, an individual Project Outline will be developed which will include details for resourcing each project.

Corporate Implications

10. The Management Framework for the Division, including the Divisional Plan, is aligned with the Corporate Business Planning cycle, with key actions, projects and programmes able to be prioritised on an annual basis, commencing with the 2018/19 financial year.

Conclusion

11. The Divisional Plan sets out how the Division will meet its ambitions and objectives over the coming three years. The Superintendent seeks feedback from Members in order to guide the development of the plan.

Appendices

- Appendix 1 Draft Divisional Plan Overview
- Appendix 2 Draft Divisional Plan

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DRAFT DIVISIONAL PLAN OVERVIEW

For

Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood, Keats House and Queen's Park

2017/18, 2018/19, 2019/20 & 2020/21

1. About this document

The Divisional Plan is a key component of the new Management Framework being developed for Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood, Keats House and Queen's Park.

A review conducted in 2016 of the Hampstead Heath Management Plan recommended that a clear thread from the strategic level through to implementation and on-ground delivery is established and maintained. Development of a three-year Divisional Plan will guide implementation and ensure the allocation of resources may be prioritised in response to changing circumstances and needs.

The Management Framework includes three levels:

- Ten year Management Plans that set strategic directions for each site
- A three-year Divisional Plan that guides implementation
- An Annual Work Programme and Projects Plan, supported by detailed specifications and guidance

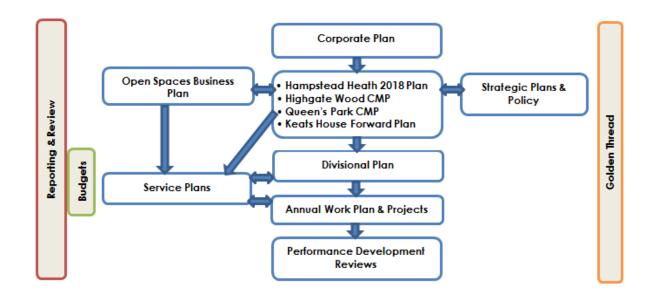
Throughout 2017, work continues on developing and aligning the documents that make up the three levels of the Management Framework. The projects and works proposed in this draft Divisional Plan ought to be considered within the context of the Management Framework as a whole.

2. <u>Divisional Plan</u>

The definition and criteria of projects to be included in the Divisional Plan are as follows:

- Projects requiring formative community engagement and consultation
- Capital Projects over £50k
- Projects spanning more than one financial year
- The complexity and risks associated with projects
- Involvement of other Departments, for example the City Surveyors Department

Golden Thread



3. Additional Information

Cyclical Work Programme

The built assets across the Division are maintained in accordance with the City Surveyors Department 20 year maintenance plan. This programme is consulted upon annually in the Cyclical Works Programme Committee report.

Department Project Boards (Sports, Learning, Promoting our Services, Fleet, Energy Efficiency, Events, Culture)

These Boards have been established across the Open Spaces Department to support the delivery of our services, more efficiently.

Governance of Managing Projects

A Divisional Project Board has been established to provide an overview for projects within the Divisional Plan. A draft Divisional Plan will be prepared for consultation annually and will align with the financial year (April to March).

Monitoring, reporting and review

The draft Divisional Plan is a three-year rolling plan which will be reviewed and updated annually. An annual report on progress achieved in reference to key milestones will be conducted in June of each year and will inform a review of projects and priorities for the coming three-year period. Projects programmed in the first year of the Divisional Plan will have approved Project Outlines and resource allocations in place, whereas projects scheduled in the second and third years may be indicative or aspirational with further planning and development required.

4. Charitable Objectives

Each section of the Division is a charity and has their individual Charitable Objectives.

| Hampstead Heath | The preservation of Hampstead Heath for the recreation and enjoyment of the public. |
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| Highgate Wood & Queen's Park | The preservation in perpetuity by the City of London Corporation of the open spaces known as Highgate Wood, Highgate and Queen's Park, Kilburn for the use by the public for exercise and recreation. |
| Keats House | To preserve, maintain and restore for the education and benefit of the public the house and grounds known as Keats House as a museum and memorial to John Keats. |

5. <u>Departmental objectives and outcomes</u>

The Department established five objectives as part of the Business Planning process. The objectives have been reviewed and amended this year to reflect the changing remit of the Department. The projects for the Division have been allocated across these five objectives.

| OSD1 | Protect and conserve the ecology, biodiversity and heritage of our sites |
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| OSD2 | Embed financial sustainability across our activities by delivering identified programmes and projects and continuously |
| | developing income generating endeavours |
| OSD3 | Enrich experiences by providing high quality and engaging, visitor, educational and volunteering opportunities |
| OSD4 | Improve the health and wellbeing of the community through access to green space and recreation |
| OSD5 | Improve service efficiency and workforce satisfaction |

| Depa | ırtmental Objectiv | ve 1: Protect And Conserve | e The Ecology, Biodiversity | And Her | itage Of Our Sites | | | |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 1.1 | Review Hampstead Heath Management Plan | Review, development, consultation and final production of a Management Plan for Hampstead Heath embedded in a Management Framework for effective | Hampstead Heath Community Vision Hampstead Heath Management Plan to committee for approval | Oct 2017 March 2018 | Hampstead Heath Management Plan actions being planned & implemented via Divisional Plan and AWP Annual report submitted to Committee by June each year from 2019 | Project & Management Support Officer | 17/18 | 2007 HHMP OSD BP |
| | | implementation | Committee for approval | | year norn zorr | | | |
| 1.2 D | Hampstead Heath Ponds Project Landscaping and vegetation establishment Complete final phase of Hampstead Heath Ponds Project to achieve the project outcomes for flood risk, water quality, nature conservation and amenity | Planting, fencing and landscaping works completed (as per detailed plan) | Oct 2017 | On-going and cyclical works planned and resourced in the AWP (including monitoring) | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 17/18 18/19 | NL1 NL 5 NL20 HY3 | |
| Page | | nature conservation and | Monitoring and evaluation programme developed. | March 2018 | | | | |
| 23 | | | Final report and project close | Mar 2018 | Annual reporting on AWP and service outcomes | | | |
| | | | Model Boating Pond access review completed | Oct 2018 | Committee approval | | | |
| 1.3 | Hampstead Heath Ponds & | Develop a strategy for ponds, wetlands and | Project plan completed | March 2018 | Plan and implement priority actions via the Divisional Plan, | Highgate Wood, Conservation & | 18/19 19/20 | NL5 NL20 |
| | Wetlands Strategy environs to set out strategies and priority actions for achieving outcomes for hydrology conservation and amenity values (including sediment | strategies and priority actions for achieving | Undertake surveys and data collation to inform strategy in partnership with CSD & DBE | Oct 2018 | AWP and the CWP Trees Mana | Trees Manager | | HY2 HY5 |
| | | conservation and amenity values | Committee approval of proposed strategy Management Plans for | March 2019 March 2020 | outcomes annually | | | |
| | | quality, landscaping) | specific ponds / chains prepared | 2020 | | | | |

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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 1.4 | implement review priorities i strategies that Queen's Park CN direct the Highgate Wood | Implement, monitor & review priorities in the Queen's Park CMP, Highgate Wood CMP and Hampstead Heath | Divisional Plan and AWP & Service Plans | March 2018 | Agreed actions delivered within agreed timeframes utilising available resources | Superintendent | 17/18 18/19 19/20 | OSD BP |
| | Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood, Keats House & Queen's Park | Management Plan, Constabulary Plan, Keats House Forward Plan | Annual reports on progress prepared by Managers | June 2019 | | | | |
| 1.5 | Conservation review of the Highgate Wood CMP | Highgate Wood CMP informed by WMP | March 2018 | Actions planned & implemented via Divisional Plan and AWP | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 17/18 18/19 | HW CMP | |
| Pag | | Review completed | Dec 2018 | | | | OSD BP | |
| Page 24 | Veteran & Ancient Tree protection Conserve Veteran & Ancient trees across all sites | Ancient trees across all | Project plan prepared | Dec 2017 | Reduced limb or root plate failure of existing Veteran tree stock | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 17/18 18/19 | NL13 NL17 |
| | | | Schedule for condition survey of Veteran & Ancient trees completed and agreed | March 2018 | Priority actions embedded in the AWP and Service Plans. | | | |
| | | Management statement for high priority Veteran & Ancient trees at Hampstead Heath completed Long term succession plan for Veteran & Ancient trees completed | March 2018 | Annual report submitted to Committee by June each year | | | | |
| | | | for Veteran & Ancient | Sep 2018 | | | | |

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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 1.7 | Protection of veteran & Ancient trees in the London Boroughs of Camden, Haringey, Barnet & Brent | Engage with neighbouring Local Authorities to improve protection of Veteran & Ancient trees through improved Planning Guidance | Project outline prepared Hold Veteran & Ancient tree Seminar Summer 2018 with Local Planning Teams | Dec 2018 | Veteran & Ancient tree conservation planning guidance adopted by neighbouring Local Authorities | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 18/19 | NL21 |
| 1.8 D | Joint Open Spaces Department and The Royal Parks Biosecurity Working Group | Establish a working group between OSD and the Royal Parks tree Managers to share information and expertise on biosecurity issues | Report on shared learning and recommendations prepared | March 2018 | Priority actions embedded in the AWP and Service Plans | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 17/18 | NL14 NL22 |
| age 25 | Kenwood Yard New Surface Installation | New surface installed at Kenwood yard to remove dust problems and H&S concerns | Specification agreed New surface and drainage solution completed Site visit and report to Committee | July 2017 Oct 2017 Jan 2018 | New surface installed and dust and H&S issues relieved | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 | B1 B12 |
| 1.10 | Keats House Community Infrastructure Levy Project | Access and lighting improvements utilising CIL funding | Funding granted Plan and specification developed Improvements delivered | Sep 2017 March 2018 Sep 2018 | Funding secured Improvements in place | Principal Curator Operational Services Manager | 17/18 18/19 | |

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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 1.11 | Improve security at vehicle entrances at Parliament Hill Fields and Golders Hill Park | Installation of automatic bollards at major vehicle access points, to improve public access and site security | Project outline and plans prepared Funding identified Works and equipment procured Bollards installed | April 2018 April 2018 May 2018 July 2018 | Bollards operational and providing improved access and security | Constabulary & Queen's Park Manager | 18/19 | |
| 1.12 Page | Asset Management Plan for Hampstead Heath | Develop an AMP in liaison with the City Surveyors Department to ensure effective use and management of buildings and structures across the Heath | Review of 2007 Plan aspirational goals for the Built Environment completed. Draft Plan Approved AMP | March 2018 March 2018 June 2018 | Plan informs facilities maintenance & investment programme Plans implemented in Service Plans and improvements prioritised via the CWP | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 18/19 | B1 to B16 E6 |
| N0 3 | Highgate Wood Roman Kiln Project | Development of community led HLF bid to secure funding to return the Roman Kiln to Highgate Wood Reconfiguration of the information facility to house the Roman Kiln and new interpretation to support this project | Project Plan prepared to support HLF bid in 19/20 | March 2018 | HLF bid submitted | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 19/20 | HW CMP |

| Depo | artmental Objectiv | e 2: Embed Financial Sus | tainability Across Our Activ | rities By C | Delivering Identified Programn | nes And Projects | | |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 2.1 | Resurface East Heath Car Park to address drainage and Health &Safety issues | Improved drainage and surface to meet safety standards and deliver a safe car park surface; in line with recommendations from two external experts Deliver proposals as agreed by HHHWQPC in 2016 | Gateway 1-2 Approval to Proceed Complete design specification Gateway 3-4 Funding allocated Interim report to Committee Gateway Construction Commencement Project Complete | Jan 2017 July 2017 Oct 2017 Mar 2018 June 2018 Aug 2018 | Drainage and safety improvements achieved Agreed targets delivered to stakeholders & Committees On-going maintenance liability of the car park reduced | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 18/19 | B1 B16 |
| æage 27 | Waste Management improvements across all sites | Develop a long term waste management strategy including Improved collection and disposal service and waste reduction to reduce overall costs. | Project plan prepared Feasibility and options appraisal report Recommendations implemented | April 2018 April 2019 2020 | Improved recycling outcomes Overall cost reduced by 20% by 2021 | Highgate Wood, Conservation & Trees Manager | 18/19 19/20 20/21 | P3 |
| 2.3 | Develop landscape improvement projects including design and accessibility standards for the Division | Schedule for landscape improvement projects as set out in the AWP, including design and accessibility Standards Guide for the Division | Forward Plan for 18/19 & 19/20 developed & plan agreed Design standards developed & agreed Guide in place | Sep 2017 March 2018 | Forward plan in place and prioritised in AWP Design standards agreed and working effectively Annual reporting on AWP and service outcomes | Project & Management Support Officer | 17/18 | B8, B14, A2, A3, A4 |

| Depo | | e 3: Enrich Experiences B | y Providing High Quality Ar | d Engaç | ging, Visitor, Educational And | Volunteering Opp | ortunitie | es |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 3.1 | Refurbishment of the Queen's Park Sandpit | | Consultation undertaken | Sep 2016 | A quality facility delivered which meets the needs of | Queen's Park & Constabulary | 17/18 | QP CMP |
| | | | Plan developed | Jan 2017 | users | Manager | | |
| | | visitors | Funds in place | Oct 2017 | | | | |
| | | | Communications plan in place | Oct 2017 | | | | |
| | | | Sandpit refurbishment completed | March 2018 | ch | | | |
| 3.2 | Develop | Create and enable | Divisional Volunteering | Oct | New volunteering | Queen's Park & | 17/18 | OSD |
| 0.2 | volunteering | increased opportunities Water for volunteering, to achieve a high quality d | Working Group established | 2017 | opportunities across the | Constabulary | 18/19 | BP A8 |
| Pag | opportunities across the Division | | Volunteering baseline data captured | Nov 2017 | Division implemented Manager | Manager | | |
| age 28 | | | Action plan developed | Dec 2017 | Training delivered and support given to volunteer groups | | | |
| ω | | | Report on progress annually | June 2018 | Volunteering targets achieved | | | |
| 3.3 | Communications & Engagement | | Develop a project plan for each strategy | April 2018 | Finalised project plans and resources committed | Leisure & Events Manager | 17/18 | A5 A6 |
| | Strategy | | Stakeholder consultation | Sep 2018 | Engaged with representative sample of stakeholders | | | E4 E7 |
| | | | Final approval/strategy approved | March 2019 | Effectively embedded into our ways of working | | | |
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| Depa | rtmental Objectiv | e 3: Enrich Experiences By | y Providing High Quality An | d Engag | jing, Visitor, Educational And | Volunteering Opp | oortuniti | es |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 3.4 | Develop a Play Strategy | which will enable effective direction of | Play strategy in place for Hampstead Heath | March 2018 | Strategy informs facilities maintenance & investment programme | Leisure & Events Manager | 17/18 18/19 | OSHD BP |
| | | resources and support child learning and development through play | Forward plan for investment in play facilities approved and reflected in the AWP | Sept 2018 | Enhanced play offer across Heath in accordance with the OSD Play Principles (in prep) | | | |
| | | | Roll out strategy to Highgate Wood & Queen's Park, tailoring it to reflect local needs | March 2019 | Enhanced play offer at all sites | | | |
| D | | | Rolled out to key staff and stakeholders | March 2019 | Staff trained and understand how their work contributes to achieving learning outcomes | | | |
| age 29 | Events & Art strategy and development | Review and development of strategy and policy to provide clarity, improved ways of working and delivery of services | Final approval/strategy approved | April 2018 | | Leisure & Events Manager | 17/18 18/19 | P8 |
| 3.6 | Develop Guiding Principles for | Review and develop strategies for the following: | Develop a project plan for each strategy | April 2018 | Finalised project plans and resources Committed | Queen's Park & Constabulary Manager | 18/19 | P4 P5 P6 |
| | visitor services across all sites | itor services Angling Strategy | Stakeholder consultation | Sep 2018 | Engaged with representative sample of stakeholders | | | P7 |
| | | Responsible Dog Strategy /Code of Conduct | Final approval/strategy approved | March 2019 | Effectively embedded into our ways of working | | | |
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| Departmental Objective 3: Enrich Experiences By Providing High Quality And Engaging, Visitor, Educational And Volunteering Opportunities | | | | | | | | es |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| Page | Review and redevelopment of the Golders Hill Park Zoo | Master plan and vision for the Zoo in order to make the facility sustainable and relevant Improvements to be delivered in 3 stages over a 10 year period | Vision and principles for the Collection Plan approved Project Plan and stages approved First stage of improvements including: Redevelop Donkey Enclosure Redevelop deer Paddock Redevelop Owl enclosure (create garden, alter Waders Avery, expanded quarantine housing) | March 2018 March 2018 March 2019 March 2020 | Plans in place Redevelopment completed | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 18/19 | P10 |
| 3Q3 | Redevelopment of the Queen's Park Children's Farm | Master plan and vision for the Farm in order to inspire learning and engagement in the natural world | Vision and principles for the Farm Plan approved Project plan completed. Redevelopment implemented | July 2017 Dec 2017 Dec 2018 | Redevelopment successfully completed and reopened to the public Report annually on outcomes for learning and engagement | Queen's Park & Constabulary Manager | 17/18 18/19 | QP CMP |

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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 3.9 | Memorial Bench Project | Complete an audit of benches and develop | Mapping of Hampstead Heath completed | Nov 2016 | Staff trained & confident to use & maintain database | Business Manager | 17/18 18/19 | B8 |
| | | an integrated spatial database for memorial benches. | Policy approved Staff guidance for administering the memorial bench scheme | Nov 2017 | Annual maintenance plans for benches incorporated into AWP | | | |
| | | Provide a quality memorial bench programme for Hampstead Heath that is | Sponsorship database developed and maintained | Oct 2017 | Clear priorities for sponsorships set out in Support Services annual plan | | | |
| | | self-funding. Apply policy and | Initiated campaign to update historical sponsorship records | March 2018 | Annual reporting on progress against agreed targets | | | |
| Page | | procedures across Queen's Park and Highgate Wood | Commence project for Queen's Park and Highgate Wood | April 2018 | Self-funding by 2020 | | | |
| | | | | | Database updated annually | | | |
| 3.10 | Develop the Adventure and Peggy Jay Centre | Redevelopment of play areas at Peggy Jay Centre and Adventure Clubhouse | Corporate Gateway approval Community consultation and design finalised | Jan 2017 Oct 2017 | Redevelopment completed Launch Learning Programme | Learning Manager | 17/18 18/19 | B1 OSD BP |
| | playgrounds | | Works completed | March 2018 | Learning Programme objectives and targets met | | | |
| 3.11 | Review and update entrance signage across the Division | Renew our signage in accordance with OSD standards | Agree style for each site Resources identified in partnership with City Surveyor Department Installed on site | Jan 2018 May 2018 March 2020 | Quality information signs installed | Leisure & Events Manager | 18/19 19/20 | B14 |

| Depa | Departmental Objective 3: Enrich Experiences By Providing High Quality And Engaging, Visitor, Educational And Volunteering Opportunities | | | | | | | |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 3.12 | Develop the Hive | Work with City Surveyors Department to convert disused football changing room facility and adjoining outdoor | Corporate Gateway approval Detailed design | Jan 2017 Dec 2017 | Redevelopment completed Launch and celebration for Learning Programme | Management 18/ | 17/18 18/19 | B1 B5 |
| | | space on Hampstead Heath to create an | Procurement completed | April 2018 | Learning Programme objectives and targets met for schools engagement | | | |
| | | integrated educational facility and volunteer hub | Works completed | Aug 2018 | | | | |
| 3.13 Page 32 | Continuously develop the visitor experience at heritage attractions in terms of content, processes technology and customer service | Keats 200 celebration event | Events and activities for Keats anniversary | 19/20 | Visitor numbers and feedback | Principal Curator | 19/20 | City Cultur e Strate gy |

| Depo | Departmental Objective 4: Improve The Health And Wellbeing Of The Community Through Access To Green Space And Recreation | | | | | | | |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 4.1 | Develop our sports offer across Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park | Develop a plan to deliver a sports offer aligning with the OSD Sports& physical activity framework which meets the needs of users, now and in the future Review how facilities are managed and offered in order to ensure best value | Work with our partners to develop a project plan Partnership agreements for data collection and monitoring Forward plan for investment in sports facilities in partnership with City Surveyors Department Final approval/strategy approved | March 2018 March 2018 May 2018 Nov 2018 | Adopted by Partners Data is captured in order to aid and support decisions and offer Plan informs facilities maintenance & investment programme Changes embedded in Service Plans and improvements prioritised via the CWP & AWP | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 18/19 | S1 OSD BP |
| Page 33 | Implement Open Spaces Department Water Safety Policy | Finalise and implement Water Safety Policy | Review Risk Management documentation and update as necessary | March 2018 | Compliance with Department Water Safety Policy Changes embedded in Service Plans and improvements prioritised via the CWP & AWP | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 | OSD BP |
| 4.3 | Cafés and catering provision across the Division | Review and retender café leases | Service standards and KPI's agreed 3 year leases renewed Queen's Park café lease re-tendered | May 2017 Jan 2018 Jan 2018 | New leases in place, facilities providing quality offer to customers & improved income Monitoring service standards embedded into service plan and AWP | Queen's Park & Constabulary Manager | 17/18 18/19 | В3 |

| Depo | Departmental Objective 4: Improve The Health And Wellbeing Of The Community Through Access To Green Space And Recreation | | | | | | | |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 4.4 | Introduction of longer leases for cafés and catering provisions across the Division | Subject to the successful introduction of the Open Spaces Bill, longer premises leases can be considered for catering provisions across the Division | Project Plan approved Review of potential sites which are appropriate for the provision of additional facilities for visitors | March 2020 May 2020 | New leases in place Facilities providing quality offer to customers Improved income | Queen's Park & Constabulary Manager | 19/20 20/21 | |
| | | | Longer leases implemented | Jan 2021 | Monitoring service standards embedded into Service Plan | | | |
| | | | Review completed | March 2022 | and AWP | | | |
| 4.5 Page | Lido, Track and Sports and Recreation facilities at Parliament Hill | Carry out a review of facilities and buildings linked to Health & Well-being | Reviews carried out and plans developed | 18/19 | Plans developed and successful consultation carried out Facilities developed to ensure | Operational Services Manager | 18/19 19/20 20/21 | B1 B2 B10 B11 S5 |
| 34 | Master Plan | Identify existing use and underused space/accommodation to consider and provide additional sport, Health & | Consultation plans developed in order to engage stakeholders. | 19/20 | best use of resources | | | (1.12) |
| | | Well-being opportunities This project will link to the AMP | Clear plans in place for development and future use | 20/21 | | | | |

| Depo | | e 5: Improve Service Effic | iency And Workforce Satisf | action | | T | 1 | |
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| Ref | Action to deliver objective | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| 5.1 | Prepare for efficiency savings programme across the Division | Identify and develop efficiencies to achieve saving targets | Plan for savings developed Key opportunities identified and plans in place to deliver Communication plan in | July 2017 Nov 2017 | Engagement and consultation completed Saving Plans agreed Effective communication | Business Manager | 17/18 18/19 | OSD BP |
| | | | place to ensure clear messages are shared with staff and stakeholders | 2018 | undertaken Saving delivered | | | |
| 5.2 | Make more effective use of IT and adopt 'smarter' ways of | Maximise opportunities for web based bookings and 'End Point of Sale systems' | Assess and determine opportunity for on-line pitch bookings Online bookings for events | July 2017 July | Operational on-line sports booking systems More efficient management | Queen's Park & Constabulary Manager | 17/18 | OSD BP |
| Page : | working across the Division | 3,313113 | - 2017 Review online tennis bookings | 2017 Spring 2017 | of sports offer Increased on-line sales | | | |
| <u>ယ</u> <u>၄</u> ဌ | Embed Divisional Management Framework into | Develop a Divisional Plan, AWP's and Project Plans to plan, deliver and | Draft Divisional Plan | Oct 2017 | Priority projects and actions implemented effectively | Operational Services Manager | 17/18 | 2007 HHMP |
| | ways of working | report on achievements | Divisional Plan approved | March 2018 | Quarterly monitoring of progress and annual reporting embedded | | | |
| 5.4 | Review of Working Arrangements | 6 and 12 month reviews of changes implemented | Reviews carried out | May 17 | Changes delivering positive outcomes | Business Manager | 17/18 | OSD BP |
| | across the Division | | Feedback provided | Nov 17 | Information shared and received positively | | | |

| S.5 Ensure the health and welfare of our skilled and motivated staff Plan and liP Action Plans | Depo | Departmental Objective 5: Improve Service Efficiency And Workforce Satisfaction | | | | | | | |
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| and welfare of our skilled and motivated staff Support the implementation of the Wellbeing Strategy and the framework of: Connect Be Active Take Notice Learn Give Develop Apprenticeship opportunities as part of the organisations commitment to the Government initiative Develop Emergency & Trigger Event procedures Trigger Event procedures Plan and liP Action Plans programme developed annually workforce and up programme developed and annually workforce and up luncreasing levels of staff satisfaction and motivation Workforce and IiP plans satisfaction and motivation A more equitable workforce Extensive use of the wellbeing training offer, particularly in relation to mental health awareness Apprentices in post, developing effectively and adding value to Divisions Apprentices gain NVQ and go on to gain permanent employment as a result of the skills, knowledge and experience which they have | Ref | deliver | Detail | Key Milestones | Date | Measure of success | Lead | Year | Links |
| | Page | and welfare of our skilled and | Plan and liP Action Plans Support the implementation of the Wellbeing Strategy and the framework of: Connect Be Active Take Notice Learn Give Develop Apprenticeship opportunities as part of the organisations commitment to the Government initiative Develop Emergency & | Deliver actions within the Workforce and liP plans - within their identified timelines Establish divisional 'wellbeing champions' Equalities reps in place across the Department and Equalities Board established Apprenticeship Plan developed and agreed Apprentices recruited and working successfully: 1st | annu ally June 17 Spring 17 May 17 May 2017 | workforce Increasing levels of staff satisfaction and motivation A more equitable workforce Extensive use of the wellbeing training offer, particularly in relation to mental health awareness Apprentices in post, developing effectively and adding value to Divisions Apprentices gain NVQ and go on to gain permanent employment as a result of the skills, knowledge and experience which they have | | 17/18 | |

Pipeline Projects for coming years, which are at a formative stage

| Project | Year |
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| Youth Engagement Forum for the Heath. | 2020/21 |
| 150 Anniversary of the 1871 Hampstead Heath Act – Celebration. | 2020/21 |
| Heritage Strategy – Management Plan- Listed structures, buildings etc. | 2020/21 |
| Hampstead Heath Ponds – Future ecological Surveys. | 2021/22 |

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| Access | A |
| Asset Management Plan | AMP |
| Annual Work Programme | AWP |
| Built Environment | В |
| City Surveyor Departments | CSD |
| Community Infrastructure Levy | CIL |
| Conservation Management Plan | CMP |
| Cyclical Work Programme | CWP |
| Department of Built Environment | DBE |
| Education | E |
| Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood & Queen's Park Committee | HHHWQPC |
| 2007 Hampstead Heath Management Plan | 2007 HHMP |
| Heritage Lottery Fund | HLF |
| Health & Safety | H&S |
| Highgate Wood Conservation Management Plan | HW CMP |
| Hydrology | HY |
| Investors In People | liP |
| Key Performance Indicators | KPI's |
| Natural Landscape | NL |
| National Vocational Qualification | NVQ |
| Open Spaces Department | OSD |
| Open Spaces Department Business Plan | OSD BP |
| Informal Public Use | P |
| Queen's Park Conservation Management Plan | QP CMP |
| Sports | S |
| Woodland Management Plan | WMP |
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