

Summary of key Open Spaces media coverage: October to November 2020

Pro Landscaper	Coverage of news that London in Bloom judges have applauded a Square Mile 'rainbow' flower bed grown to honour key-workers fighting Covid-19. Chairman of the Open Spaces and City Gardens Committee Oliver Sells QC was quoted.	Trade	October 2020
Pro Landscaper	The publication reported on a new pop-up green space installed at Moor Lane. Oliver Sells QC, Chairman of the Open Spaces and City Gardens Committee, was quoted.	Trade	October 2020
<i>BBC Radio London</i> [Link unavailable]	<i>BBC Radio London</i> interviewed the Superintendent of Epping Forest on a rise in visitor numbers at the site during the COVID-19 lockdown.	National	October 2020
Evening Standard	There was coverage in the <i>Evening Standard</i> about the City Corporation's decision to temporarily close Hampstead Heath ladies' pond because of poor water quality. A City Corporation spokesperson was quoted.	National	October 2020
Ham&High	Anne Fairweather, Chair of the Hampstead Heath Management Committee, was quoted in the <i>Ham&High</i> in an article on the governance review by The Lord Lisvane.	Local	October 2020
Newham Recorder [viewable internally only]	The <i>Newham Recorder</i> reported on how West Ham Park has been recognised in the London in Bloom awards, Chairman of the West Ham Park Committee, Oliver Sells QC was quoted.	Local	October 2020
City A.M. Further coverage in Architects Journal (£), Estates Gazette , BD online , Building News and City Matters .	<i>City A.M.</i> ran a story about the winner of a design competition to transform the historic Finsbury Circus Gardens, the Square Mile's biggest green space and London's oldest public park. Chairman of the Open Spaces and City Gardens Committee Oliver Sells QC was quoted.	Trade	October 2020
Newham Recorder [Viewable internally only]	Chairman of the West Ham Park Committee Oliver Sells QC wrote about summer at the Park and celebrating this year's London in Bloom win.	Local	October 2020

<p>The Telegraph</p> <p>Further coverage of the prosecutions in The Times, The Metro, BBC London, Daily Mirror, The Sun, City Matters and the Yorkshire Post.</p>	<p><i>The Telegraph</i> ran a story about recent prosecutions at Epping Forest for illegal fungi foraging, and making people aware how picking mushrooms damages the forest. The Head of Conservation at Epping Forest, Jeremy Dagley, was interviewed.</p>	<p>National London</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p><i>BBC Breakfast</i> [link unavailable]</p> <p>Further coverage in BBC.</p>	<p><i>BBC Breakfast</i> [link unavailable] reported from Hampstead Heath's Parliament Hill Lido in a story on how studies with the Heath's cold water swimmers has helped new dementia research. Further coverage in BBC.</p>	<p>National</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Evening Standard</p>	<p>The <i>Evening Standard</i> quoted Hampstead Heath Management Committee Chair, Anne Fairweather, in a short diary story on new swimming charges at the Heath's Bathing Ponds.</p>	<p>National</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Newham Recorder</p>	<p>Chairman of the West Ham Park Committee, Oliver Sells QC, wrote in <i>Newham Recorder</i> with a message of thanks to all who care for the park.</p>	<p>Local</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Epping Forest Guardian</p>	<p>Coverage in Epping Forest Guardian on nine people being fined for illegal mushroom harvesting in Epping Forest. Chairman on the Epping Forest and Commons Committee, Graeme Doshi-Smith, was quoted.</p>	<p>Local</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>The Daily Telegraph</p>	<p>Coverage in <i>The Daily Telegraph</i> on how Hampstead Heath's cold-water swimmers have helped new studies into dementia research.</p>	<p>National</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Epping Forest Guardian</p>	<p><i>Epping Forest Guardian</i> reported on Epping Forest's retention of its Green Flag Award status, recognising it as one of the best managed open spaces in the world. Chairman of the City Corporation's Epping Forest and Commons Committee, Graeme Doshi-Smith, was quoted.</p>	<p>Local</p>	<p>October 2020</p>
<p>Windsor Observer and Slough Observer</p>	<p><i>Windsor Observer</i> and <i>Slough Observer</i> reported on Burnham Beeches' Green Flag Award. Chairman of the City Corporation's Epping Forest and Commons Committee, Graeme Doshi-Smith, was quoted.</p>	<p>Local</p>	<p>October 2020</p>

Newham Recorder City Matters	Coverage in <i>Newham Recorder</i> and <i>City Matters</i> about how the City Corporation's parks and green spaces were awarded Green Flag Award status. Chairman of the Open Spaces Committee, Oliver Sells QC, was quoted.	Local London	October 2020
Ham & High and The World News	Coverage in <i>Ham & High</i> and <i>The World News</i> about parks and green spaces managed by the City of London Corporation which have won Green Flag Award status. Chair of the Hampstead Heath Management Committee, Anne Fairweather, was quoted.	Local Online	October 2020
City Matters	<i>City Matters</i> reported on a survey of Hampstead Heath swimmers' overwhelmingly positive response to safety measures introduced to manage the health concerns posed by COVID-19.	London	October 2020
Camden New Journal [Viewable internally only]	Chair of the Hampstead Heath management committee Anne Fairweather was quoted in the <i>Camden New Journal</i> in an article on the governance review by The Lord Lisvane. A spokesperson for the City of London Corporation was also quoted.	Local	October 2020
Ham and High	In an opinion piece in <i>Ham and High</i> , Chair of the City Corporation's Hampstead Heath Management Committee, Anne Fairweather, reported she had written to the Government calling for outdoor sport facilities to be allowed to stay open during the second national lockdown.	Local	November 2020
Horticulture Week (£)	Chairman of the Open Spaces Committee, Oliver Sells QC, was quoted in a piece on the London Collective's a new public survey looking at the future of London's parks and green spaces.	Trade	November 2020
Ham&High	Chair of the Hampstead Heath management committee, Anne Fairweather, was quoted in an article about calls for the Government to reconsider the closure of the Hampstead Heath Bathing Ponds. The story appeared on the front page.	Local	November 2020
Horticulture Week Further coverage in Forestry Journal	<i>Horticulture Week</i> reported that City Corporation Tree Management Officer David Humphries won an award for safeguarding London's trees. Chair of the Hampstead Heath, Highgate Wood and Queen's Park Committee, Anne Fairweather was quoted. (£)	Trade	November 2020