

Report of The Head of Parks and Countryside

Report to North West Outer Area Committee

Date: 7th November 2011

Subject: Annual Report – for Parks and Countryside Service in North West Outer Area Committee

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s): Adel & Wharfedale, Guiseley & Rawdon, Horsforth, Otley & Yeadon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
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Summary of main issues

1. The report provides an area profile of key assets, information on park usage and a customer based perspective of the quality of the assets and services provided.
2. It highlights the current progress towards Leeds Quality Park (LQP) status for community parks in the area. It provides the costs of achieving and retaining LQP status in community parks up to the year 2020.
3. The report details capital improvements in community parks, sport pitches and fixed play in the area for the last 12 months and expected improvements in the next 12 months.
4. It gives a detailed breakdown of events and volunteering in the area.
5. It provides a perspective on actions contained in the 2008 - 2011 area delivery plan.

Recommendations

6. The Area Committee is requested to note the content of the report and to communicate priorities for investment in community parks, playing pitches and fixed play facilities in light of the issues raised

1 Purpose of this report

- 1.1 This report seeks to further develop the relationship between the Parks and Countryside service and the North West Outer Area Committee, as agreed at Executive Board.
- 1.2 It provides an overview of the service and sets out some of the challenges faced along with key performance management initiatives. In addition it seeks to provide a positive way forward for delivering the extended role of the Area Committee ensuring that the benefits of the revised roles are secured.
- 1.3 In particular it sets out at an area level progress made in attaining Leeds Quality Park standard. It also sets out investment needs to attain LQP standards and to retain them.

2 Background information

Service Description

- 2.1 Leeds City Council has one of the largest fully inclusive local authority Parks and Countryside services, managing almost 4,000 hectares of parks and green space.
- 2.2 This includes 7 major parks, 62 community parks and 95 recreation grounds and 391 local green spaces, which include 144 playgrounds and 500 sports facilities ranging from skateboard parks to golf courses, and which play host to 600 events annually. The service also manages a nursery which produces over 4 million bedding plants each year, 96 allotment sites, over 800km of Public Right of Way (PROW), and 156 nature conservation sites, as well as 22 cemeteries and three crematoria.
- 2.3 The 2009 Parks and Countryside residents survey showed that the service attracts almost 68 million visits each year from Leeds' residents alone, and that approximately 96% of these are regular park users. These range from anybody using a park for informal recreation (e.g. walking, observing nature) to people who take part in formal activities (e.g. football clubs, conservation volunteers or to attend events). The user surveys also evidenced that 10m visits are made to our green space by Young People (12-19) compared to 3.6m by Children (5-11).

Description of Priority Advisory Function

- 2.4 The priority advisory function for Area Committees relates to community parks provision that have a wide range of facilities, including general recreation, sports pitches, play and formal and informal horticultural facilities.
- 2.5 Where developments are less significant or only impact on one site then ward members and community groups will be informed and consulted using established procedures. It is important to note that good levels of engagement with ward members exist and this function seeks to enhance this engagement.

3 Main issues

Area Profile of the Service

3.1 The following table summarises community green space assets managed by Parks and Countryside in the North West Outer Area Committee:

Asset	Quantity
Community parks	8
Playing Pitches:	
Cricket	4
Football	28
Rugby Union	3
Rugby League	1
Bowling greens	8
Playgrounds	17
Multi-use games areas	1
Skate parks	4

Community Parks

3.2 Analysis from the 2009 residents survey was carried out relevant to the community parks in the area which are;

Site Name	Annual Number of Visits	Total Annual Visits to North West Outer Community Parks is 7.4m approx.
Grove Hill Park, Otley	301,969	
Holt Park	146,051	
Horsforth Hall Park	2,179,069	
Kirk Lane Park	106,685	
Micklefield Park	787,808	
Nunroyd Park	574,244	
Tarnfield Park	1,489,725	
Wharfemeadows Park	1,785,794	

3.3 The residents survey provides significant insight into the users of community parks, demographics of users, how they get there and what they do. A detailed insight of each community park is given in appendix 1. The key analysis points are;

- Approximately 75% of visitors are adults with 25% children.
- There are a wide range of reasons for visiting each individual park but nearly all visitors at some point go for relaxation and exercise. Other popular reasons are for play, enjoying the surroundings, family outings and to see wildlife.
- 66% of visitors travel to the park on foot of which 55% take less than 10 minutes to travel there.
- Of the 32% who visit by car 68% take less than 10 minutes to get there.
- 34% of visitors go to community parks either every day or on most days, whilst 72% go at least once a week.

3.4 Parks and Countryside provide annual pitch hire for sports teams in the area. The table below shows the number of teams with current bookings playing on pitches in the area; *(note this excludes clubs who have a long term lease in place)*

Age Group	No of Teams
Open Age	13
Juniors	39

Volunteering in the Parks and Countryside Service

3.5 Since the last report to Area Committees the service has focused resources for a community outreach team to increase the number of volunteers and value of activities which take place with the following key actions;

- Seeking a large increase in corporate volunteering due to enhanced marketing and communication.
- Continued and improved involvement with the many “in bloom” groups in Leeds.
- It is an ambition is to have a volunteer group for every community park.

3.6 It is estimated that volunteers across all groups contribute 1,664 days of voluntary work in the North West Outer area over a 12 month period. The tables below give details of works undertaken in North West Outer since December 2010 and the active groups in the Area Committee;

Work undertaken by volunteers working with the Rangers;

Site	Group / Organisation	Task
Otley Chevin	Wetherby Fulfilling Lives	Forestry work
	Friends of Chevin Forest	Scrub bashing Maintaining keepers cottage Orchard maintenance Footpath maintenance
	Craven College	Scrub bashing
	Friends of Chevin Forest	Various estate management
	Wetherby Fulfilling Lives	Footpath maintenance
	Wetherby Fulfilling Lives	Tree guard removal
	Leeds Wildlife Volunteers	Dry stone walling
	Groundwork (team building day)	Step repair Himalayan balsam removal
Cragg Wood	Cragg Hill and Woodside RA	Litter and rubbish removal
Golden Acre Park and Breary Marsh	Leeds Wildlife Volunteers	Mulching beds
	Leeds Wildlife Volunteers	Rhododendron bashing
	Ralph Thorseby High School	Removing unwanted saplings from arboretum

Horsforth Hall Park	Leeds Parks Volunteers	Weeding Japanese garden
Hunger Hills	RAF Cadets	Woodland management

Corporate volunteer actions;

Organisation	Site	Task	Number of Volunteers
Groundwork	Chevin	Step maintenance, Himalayan balsam removal	60

Summary of the groups who are active in the North West Outer area :

Group Name	Number of Volunteers	Estimated Volunteer Days
Chevin Watch group	2	0
Cragg Hill and Woodside	5	10
Friends of Chevin Forest Park	30	180
Friends of Engine Fields	10	72
Friends of Horsforth Hall park	10	0
Friends of Hunger Hills Wood	12	20
Friends of Kirklane Park	2	0
Leeds Parks Volunteers	4	78
Leeds Voluntary Footpath Rangers	6	130
Leeds Wildlife Volunteers	12	216
Total	93	706

Existing in bloom groups within the North West Outer area;

In Bloom Group	Number of Volunteers	Estimated Volunteer Days
Bramhope	9	160
Guiseley	20	400
Horsforth	22	440
Otley	14	280
Total	65	1280

Events

3.7 The bookings and licensing team has introduced improvements to the application process for events that occur on parks. They are providing greater assistance in helping community groups organise events with particular emphasise on ensuring legal and safety requirements are met but do not deter groups and organisations from organising activities. The table below shows a list of events held in the outer North West area so far in 2011:

Site Name	Month	Event	Total
Breary Marsh	May	Dry Stone Walling - Leeds Wildlife Vol's	2
	August	Fen Mgnt - Leeds Wildlife Vol's	1
Golden Acre	February	Dog Walk	1
	March	Estate Mgnt - Leeds Wildlife Vol's	1
		Art Exhibition	2
	June	Sponsored Walk - Childbirth Trust	1
		Band in the Park	2
		Fushia society	1
		Jo's Cancer Trust walk	1

Site Name	Month	Event	Total
	July	Airienteers	3
		Band in the Park	2
		Mark Hetherington	1
		Yorkshire Cancer Research Sponsored Walk	1
	August	Art Exhibition	2
Band in the Park		2	
Harper Terrace - Yeadon	May	Duck Herding - Yeadon Methodist Church	1
Holt Park	August	Groundwork Leeds Community Activities	3
	September	Groundwork Leeds Community Activities	1
Horsforth Hall Park	April	Funfair (Pullen)	2
	May	Shire Oak Scouts	1
	June	Band in the Park	1
		Davey Briggs' Fun Fair	1
		Horsforth Gala	1
		Horsforth Sports & Funday Committee	1
	July	Band in the Park	1
		Zumba Fitness	1
	August	Band in the Park	1
		Mini Breeze Event	1
	September	19th - 26th Funfair (Pullen)	1
		Band in the Park	1
Wedding Pics & Brass Band		1	
Otley Chevin	February	Airienteers	2
		Rombald Stride	1
	March	Competition Run - Valley Striders	1
		Prism Ltd - Filming	1
	April	Churches Together	2
	May	Airienteers	2
		Churches Together	1
	June	Cadet Training - weekly on a Thurs	1
		Skyrac AC - Chevin Fell Race	1
	July	Otley Chevin Relay Race	1
	September	Cadet Training weekly on a thursday	1
	October	Airienteers	1
Scouts Apex Challenge		1	
Tarnfield Park	June	Band in the Park	1
	July	Yeadon Carnival	1
Wharfemeadows Park	June	Fake Festival	1
	July	Mini Breeze Event	1
Nunroyd Park	March	Airienteers	1
	May	Funfair(Atha)	1
	June	Airienteers	1
	August	8th - 15th Funfair(Pullen)	1
Total			66

Community Parks – Leeds Quality Park Status

3.8 The Parks and Green Space Strategy was approved at Executive Board in February 2009 and sets out the vision and priorities to 2020. One of the key proposals contained in the strategy is the aspiration for all community parks to meet the Green Flag standard for field based assessment by 2020. The Green Flag Award Scheme represents the national standard for parks and green spaces. It has been developed around eight key criteria as follows;

- **A welcoming place** - how to create a sense that people are positively welcomed in the park
- **Healthy, safe & secure** - how best to ensure that the park is a safe & healthy environment for all users
- **Clean & well maintained** - what people can expect in terms of cleanliness, facilities & maintenance
- **Sustainability** - how a park can be managed in environmentally sensitive ways
- **Conservation & heritage** - the value of conservation & care of historical heritage
- **Community involvement** - ways of encouraging community participation and acknowledging the community's role in a park's success
- **Marketing** - methods of promoting a park successfully
- **Management** - how to reflect all of the above in a coherent & accessible management plan or strategy and ensure it is implemented.

3.9 The Parks and Countryside service reports annual performance against two local indicators based upon the Green Flag Award scheme;

- *The percentage of Parks and Countryside sites assessed that meet the Green Flag standard.*
- *The percentage of Parks and Countryside community parks which meet the Green Flag standard.* Performance against these indicators is illustrated in section 3.22.

3.10 The indicator includes an assessment of each community park which has particular relevance to Area Committee engagement. The scheme is known as the Leeds Quality Park (LQP) standard. The following table provides a summary of these assessments for the North West Outer Area Committee.

Site	Year Assessed	Welcoming Place	Healthy, Safe, Secure	Clean, Well Maintained	Sustainability	Conservation / Heritage	Community Involvement	Marketing	Meets Standard?
Grove Hill Park, Otley	2009								No
Holt Park	2009								No
Horsforth Hall Park	2008								No
Kirk Lane Park	2008								No
Micklefield Park	2009								Yes
Nunroyd Park	2008								No
Tarnfield Park	2010								Yes
Wharfemeadows Park	2009								Yes

Notes – Assessments due in 2011 (2008 inspections above) are currently taking place but have not yet been recorded in full so no data will be shown in this report.

Key:

Meets Leeds Quality Park Standard on average for this key criteria	
Below Leeds Quality Park Standard on average for this key criteria	

3.11 From this table, there are 3 parks identified that meet the Leeds Quality Park Standard in the area, with 5 not reaching the standard. There is no change since the last Area Committee report.

3.12 The residents survey in 2009 enables an assessment of visitor numbers and satisfaction rating (scored out of 10) for a number of criteria for each park, set out in the following table:

Site	Design and Appearance	Cleanliness and Maintenance	Ease to Get Around	Range of Facilities	Horticultural Maintenance	Nature Conservation	Facilities for Families	Sports Facilities	Overall Impression
Grove Hill Park, Otley	7.4	7.1	9.1	6.6	8.3	8.0	6.0	6.0	7.1
Holt Park	7.2	6.8	8.0	5.3	7.2	7.3	6.0	6.0	5.6
Horsforth Hall Park	8.2	8.1	8.7	6.1	8.3	7.7	6.9	6.2	7.9
Kirk Lane Park	5.8	5.5	8.0	4.6	6.7	6.4	5.3	5.8	5.8
Micklefield Park	7.9	7.5	9.0	6.7	8.0	7.4	7.5	7.7	7.8

Nunroyd Park	7.1	7.2	8.1	5.4	6.9	6.6	5.3	6.0	6.8
Tarnfield Park	8.2	7.8	8.9	6.6	7.7	8.0	7.3	6.4	8.2
Wharfemeadows Park	8.7	7.5	9.1	6.3	8.5	7.9	6.9	6.2	7.7

Key:

Generally meets LQP expectations	7.0 - 10	
Generally below LQP expectations	0.0 – 6.9	

This table broadly correlates with the professional audit undertaken for the Leeds Quality Parks assessment with the exception of Horsforth Hall Park (which is to be assessed this year). There are still however issues identified with the range of facilities, facilities for families and sports facilities offered in many of the parks.

Playing Pitches

- 3.13 The residents survey in 2009 allowed respondents to rate sport facilities in parks. The results are shown in the table below;

Rating of Sports facilities	2009 (North West Outer)	2006 (North West Outer)
Fair to very good	74.6%	65.6%
Poor or very poor	25.4%	34.4%

The results show a large increase in those who felt sports facilities were of at least fair standard. This data is related to the table set out in paragraph 3.12.

Fixed Play

- 3.14 The residents survey in 2009 allowed respondents to rate facilities for children and their parents. The results are shown in the table below;

Rating facilities for children	2009 (North West Outer)	2006 (North West Outer)
Fair to very good	84.4%	80%
Poor or very poor	15.6%	20%

Results show an increase in those who rated facilities as fair or better.

- 3.15 Improvements to community parks during 2011 are as follows;

- Grove Hill Park – Installation of new play area.
- Horsforth Hall Park – New play area and completion of the Japanese Gardens.
- Holt Park – Refurbishment of tennis courts and landscaping.
- Tarnfield Park – Continued work on creation of habitat areas. Installation of one new item of play equipment.

- 3.16 The following table provides a perspective on the minimum level of investment required to achieve the LQP standard for the five remaining parks. It also includes the level of reinvestment required across all the community parks in order to sustain the LQP pass up to 2020;

Site Name	Cost to Achieve (excluding fixed play)	Reinvestment (excluding fixed play)
Grove Hill Park, Otley	£35,000	
Kirk Lane Park	£88,000	
Nunroyd Park	£50,500	
Total to achieve LQP	£173,500	
Average annual reinvestment		£21,511
Total reinvestment to 2020		£193,602
Overall Total Investment to 2020		£367,102

Note Holt Park and Horsforth Hall Park have had required improvements made to reach LQP standard and should pass on next inspection.

3.17 Reinvestment levels are estimated according to the expected lifespan of equipment and infrastructure as set out below;

Description	Timescale for Recurring Investment
Signage and interpretation	5 years
Fixed play (including MUGA's/skate parks)	10 years
Bins and benches	15 years
Paths and infrastructure	25 years
Landscaping	25 years

3.18 Planned improvements for the next 12 months are;

- Horsforth Hall Park – Outline plans for the resurfacing of some paths to be completed.
- Kirk Lane Park – Outline plans for work on the bowling green area, access works, infrastructure and drainage.
- Nunroyd Park – Works on footpaths, access, landscaping and fencing.
- Tarnfield Park – Water safety works in the boat lodge and boardwalk areas.
- Newall Hall play area – Improvements planned to increase play for young people.
- Springfield Park – Outline plans for a new play area.

3.19 In terms of fixed play, work has been undertaken to set out refurbishment requirements over a 10 year rolling programme in support of the outcomes of the Fixed Play Strategy. The average cost of a new playground is currently about £120k; Multi-use games areas and skateparks are slightly cheaper on average at about £90k each. The table below shows the capital investment required on an ongoing basis to fund the area committees existing fixed play sites;

Fixed Play Type	No.	Total Replacement Cost £'s	Required Average Annual Spend £'s
Play Areas	17	2,040,000	204,000
Multi Use Games Areas	1	90,000	9,000
Skate Parks	4	360,000	36,000
Totals		2,490,000	249,000

Area Committee funding for additional on site gardeners

3.20 North West Outer Area Committee provide additional funding for gardeners to increase site based presence at parks in the area. For 2011-12 this funding totalled £23,301 for 1 gardener over a 12 month period. The gardener will work across sites in Yeadon, Guiseley and Rawdon.

Since the introduction of site based gardeners, analysis shows that complaints to both Ward Councillors and the Parks and Countryside Service have declined on sites with increased daily presence. In addition, the service has observed an increase in the number of residents using parks and open spaces which is backed up by the residents survey data.

The site based gardeners increase working relationships with users, local residents and community groups. These site based staff further increase users satisfaction and support the aspiration to increase volunteer groups working within parks.

3.21 The following table summarises actions identified in the Area Delivery Plan (2008 – 2011) and a commentary from a service perspective.

Ref.	Action	Comments
E7	Provide support to local environment and 'In Bloom' groups	The service continues to provide dedicated officer support to local in bloom groups
E11	Investigate the opportunity to create a North West Leeds Country Park and Green Gateway	The North West Country Park and Green Gateways Inaugural meeting was held in October. Over twenty interested groups attended.
F2	Investigate and support, in partnership with local community and residents groups, opportunities for creating improved and new play areas	Recently new play areas have been installed at Grove Hill Park, Horsforth Hall Park and one item of equipment at Tarnfield Park. There are plans for improvements at Newall Hall and Springfield Park.
H9	Review the boundaries of conservation areas in selected areas and support new ones.	Parks and Countryside are consultees for any such reviews and provide input as required

3.22 The following table highlights key performance indicators relevant to the service;

PI Code	Description	2009/10 Actual	2010/11 Actual	2011/12 Target	2012/13 Target
LKI-GFI / CP-PC50 / EM38	The percentage of parks and countryside sites assessed internally that meet the Green Flag criteria	23% (Target 21%)	23% (Target 23%)	26.2%	29.4%
LKI-PCP 22	Overall user satisfaction with Parks and Countryside (from the user survey)	7.37 (Target 7)	N/A	N/A	7
New	The percentage of parks and countryside community parks which meet LQP status	n/a	33.9%	40%	47.5%

4 Corporate Considerations

4.1 Consultation and Engagement

4.1.1 Close liaison with community and ward members is already in existence, utilising a variety of mechanisms, for example through residents' surveys, multi-agency meetings and community forums. In addition volunteers, Friends of groups and local residents are regularly consulted on local projects with input on design and physical implementation of a wide range of site improvements.

4.2 Equality and Diversity / Cohesion and Integration

4.2.1 This report does not have an impact on equality and diversity. Further information is available on analysis of the residents survey 2009 specifically regarding equality issues on request.

4.3 Council Policies and City Priorities

4.3.1 The contents of this report set out how the Executive Board requirements can be met by taking a more proactive approach to involve and engage Area Committees in matters relating to community parks.

4.3.2 The information within the report contributes significantly to the sustainable economy and culture city priority plan.

4.4 Resources and Value for Money

4.4.1 The central government's Comprehensive Spending Review has had significant impact on local government budgets and it is anticipated that the budget allocation for Parks and Countryside will continue to be very challenging.

4.4.2 The service undertakes to sustain and develop the services provided to the public and has traditionally used a number of sources of financial support to achieve developments. These include grants from bodies such as Green Leeds Ltd, Sustrans, Natural England, National Lottery funding and developer contributions via section 106 (S106) funds.

4.5 Legal Implications, Access to Information and Call In

4.5.1 This report has no legal implications and is not subject to call in. There is no information which is confidential or exempt.

4.6 Risk Management

4.6.1 There are no significant risk management issues contained within the report, its conclusions and recommendations.

5 Conclusions

5.1 Community green space contributes in many ways to the delivery of the Corporate Priority Plan. They provide places for relaxation, escape, exercise and recreation. They bring communities together and make a positive contribution to the local

economy, education, improve public health and well-being, and generally make a better place to live, work and visit.

- 5.2 Improvements to community parks, fixed play and playing pitches remain a priority, and there already has been investment made to deliver improvements along with further schemes identified. Issues are being addressed through the Parks and Green Space Strategy along with implementation of the Fixed Play Strategy and Playing Pitch Strategy.
- 5.3 Community engagement remains a key activity for the service with regular correspondence, attendance at meetings and briefings, along with more localised consultation where required. The principle consultation through the residents survey to 35,000 households is scheduled to take place again in 2012.
- 5.4 A programme of activities is planned for which updates and reports can be provided to the Area Committee to help inform, consult and influence community green space management.

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 The Area Committee is requested to note the content of the report and to communicate priorities for investment in community parks, playing pitches and fixed play facilities in light of the issues raised.

7 Background documents

- 7.1 Area Committee Roles, Outer North West Area Committee, 4th July 2011.
- 7.2 Annual Report for Parks and Countryside Service in North West Outer Area Committee, Outer North West Area Committee, 13th December 2010
- 7.3 Parks and Greenspace Strategy, Executive Board, February 2009
- 7.4 Fixed Play Strategy, Executive Board, September 2002

Appendix 1: Detailed Residents Survey Information

1.1 Total Number of Annual Visits

	Community Parks	Other P&C Sites	Total
North West Outer	7,371,345	3,301,634	10,672,979

1.2 Reasons for Visiting – respondents select their five main reasons (The 24 choices have been grouped in this table)

Reason	Grove Hill Park %	Holt Park %	Horsforth Hall Park %	Kirk Lane Park %	Micklefield Park %	Nunroyd Park %	Tarnfield Park %	Wharfemeadows Park %	North West Outer Total %
Exercise	38	80	82	73	71	93	100	97	93
Play	50	0	72	73	65	37	53	50	60
Dog walking	38	40	21	18	22	23	19	28	22
Enjoy the surroundings	50	20	41	36	37	27	51	78	48
Family outings	38	20	55	45	55	23	36	32	44
Relaxation	100	80	86	100	80	90	100	96	91
See Wildlife	50	20	21	18	18	30	80	68	40
Sport related	13	20	26	18	39	53	4	13	23
Other	13	20	7	9	10	10	7	10	8
Events	0	0	17	0	2	7	1	1	8

1.3 Age Profile of Visitors

Site	Age 20 – 39	Age 40 – 59	Age 60+
Grove Hill Park, Otley	13%	50%	37%
Holt Park	20%	60%	20%
Horsforth Hall Park	26%	46%	28%
Kirk Lane Park	45%	55%	0%
Micklefield Park	48%	31%	21%
Nunroyd Park	29%	39%	32%
Tarnfield Park	27%	28%	45%
Wharfemeadows Park	17%	51%	32%
North West Outer Total	28%	41%	31%

How visitors get to the parks and how long it takes to get there

1.4 Visitors on Foot – Journey Time

Site	% of visitors on foot	Less than 10 mins	10–20 mins	20-30 mins	30+ mins
Grove Hill Park, Otley	86%	84%	16%	0%	0%
Holt Park	100%	80%	20%	0%	0%
Horsforth Hall Park	56%	46%	44%	10%	0%
Kirk Lane Park	91%	70%	30%	0%	0%
Micklefield Park	71%	54%	46%	0%	0%
Nunroyd Park	90%	59%	30%	11%	0%
Tarnfield Park	55%	66%	15%	20%	0%
Wharfemeadows Park	78%	51%	37%	9%	2%
North West Outer Total	66%	55%	36%	9%	0%

1.5 Visitors by Car - Journey Time

Site	% of visitors by car	Less than 10 mins	10–20 mins	20-30 mins
Grove Hill Park, Otley	14%	100%	0%	0%
Holt Park	0%	~	~	~
Horsforth Hall Park	42%	73%	25%	2%
Kirk Lane Park	0%	~	~	~
Micklefield Park	29%	86%	14%	0%
Nunroyd Park	10%	67%	33%	0%
Tarnfield Park	42%	52%	42%	6%
Wharfemeadows Park	21%	64%	21%	14%
North West Outer Total	32%	68%	28%	4%

1.6 How long do visitors stay. (Detailed information on each community park is available on request).

Time	Summer Stay		Winter Stay	
	Weekend	Weekday	Weekend	Weekday
Less than 30 Minutes	11%	15%	27%	33%
30 minutes to 1 hour	39%	47%	49%	49%
1 to 2 hours	35%	29%	16%	6%
2 to 4 hours	11%	4%	2%	1%
4 or more hours	1%	0%	0%	0%
Do not visit	3%	5%	6%	11%

1.7 How often do visitors go. (Detailed information on each community park is available on request).

	Summer	Winter
Every Day	10%	7%
Most Days	24%	15%
Once or Twice a week	38%	25%
Once every two weeks	15%	16%
Once a month	13%	26%
Seldom or never	1%	11%

1.8 Information taken from comments made in the survey.

Site	General satisfaction comments	What would make you stay longer or encourage more use	Any other comments
Grove Hill Park, Otley	Few comments, occasional minor maintenance and infrastructure issues.	Play area updating.	Some signage to know what tree species are growing.
Horsforth Hall Park	A number of comments about the overall quality of the park. Dog fouling issues.	Improved toilets. Café facilities. More seating and picnic benches in the main areas of the park.	Some calls to bring back tennis courts and pitch and putt.
Kirk Lane Park	Lack of bedding/shrubs.	Improved Infrastructure. Seating/Picnic tables.	Drainage issues near park entrance.

Site	General satisfaction comments	What would make you stay longer or encourage more use	Any other comments
	<p>Dog fouling.</p> <p>Poor quality of path network.</p>	<p>Particularly no seating in play area.</p>	
Micklefield Park	<p>Lack of toilet facilities.</p>	<p>No overall prominent requests, in general more facilities or improved facilities.</p>	<p>The park is increasingly becoming a target for youths to gather with resulting anti-social behaviour.</p>
Nunroyd Park	<p>Nunroyd House is falling into disrepair.</p>	<p>The park is lacking facilities, its just an open space with sports fields.</p> <p>More could be done to improve the horticultural aspects.</p>	<p>The cross country running events ruin the grassed areas.</p>
Tarnfield Park	<p>Dog fouling is an issue.</p> <p>Comments noted on continual improvements in the park.</p>	<p>Café.</p> <p>Modernised play area.</p>	<p>They have new toilets but they are never open.</p>
Wharfemeadows Park	<p>Play area is rundown and needs replacing.</p> <p>Lack of rubbish collection on weekends, leaves the park messy.</p> <p>Some good horticultural maintenance comments.</p>	<p>Much improved toilets.</p> <p>Improve café.</p>	<p>~</p>