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This report on the supply of open space in Hammersmith and Fulham is based on survey work carried out in late 2004 and 2005. It is published as a background paper for the emerging Local Development Framework.

The report was originally drafted in early 2006. It provides a detailed audit of the supply of parks and open spaces in the borough at that time. Where it has been possible or considered appropriate to provide an updated position statement on particular matters that have changed since 2006, for example additional information on planning permissions involving open space, this has been done and is indicated in the text.

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Executive Summary

The borough's open spaces contribute to the character and vitality of the borough and our sense of well-being and provide opportunities for social interaction. They have a vital role in the social development of children of all ages through play, sporting activities and interaction with others. Green space also has an important biodiversity function.

This study (undertaken in late 2004 and 2005) provides a comprehensive understanding of the supply of open spaces in the borough and the sport and children's play facilities they contain. It also identifies existing deficiencies in provision. It is the first step towards preparing a comprehensive strategy for the provision and management of open spaces and recreation facilities.

All open spaces in the borough over 1,000m² were examined as part of the study, whether public or private. These included not only parks, but public squares, waterspaces and amenity greenspace around buildings. Public open spaces outside the borough, within 1.2km, were also included.

Additional information was collected on outdoor sports facilities (such as pitches and courts) and children's playspaces within these open spaces, including those in housing estates and schools.

Chapter 2 of the report identifies the type of information sought and the process used to gather this data. This process included desk-top research as well as site visits.

The supply of open space

- There is **386ha of open space in the borough** (excluding the area of the River Thames and Grand Union Canal).
- **231ha is publicly accessible** open space. The remainder is within housing estates, sports clubs, school grounds or areas such as railway sidings.
- The largest open space is Wormwood Scrubs (68ha), however **most of the open spaces in the borough are under 0.4ha**.
- **The borough's open spaces comprise a variety of different forms.** In terms of area, much of the open space (159ha) is within parks, although only 34 open spaces fall within the definition of a park. By contrast, 188 open spaces fall within the definition of amenity greenspaces (including greenspace around housing estates), totalling 60.5ha. A large proportion of open space is within cemeteries and churchyards (52.5ha).

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- **Map 3** illustrates the distribution of open spaces across the borough.
 - Approximately, **68% of the population is not within 1.2km of a "District Park"** (a public open space over 20ha).
 - Approximately, **32% of the population is not within a 400m walk of a "Local Park"** (a public open space over 2ha). **Map 3A** illustrates deficiency in access to Local Parks.
 - **Overall, there is 1.5ha of public open space per 1,000 people.** However, the amount of open space available to individuals will vary across the borough. **Map 6** illustrates how the level of provision varies across the borough.
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As well as being in a variety of forms, the open spaces within, and in proximity to, the borough have a variety of functions. **Recreational use is a major function**, particularly within parks, commons and outdoor recreation grounds. Seats and bins are the most common type of facility provided in open spaces, complementing passive recreation. However, many open spaces with public access lack these facilities. Open spaces do not include facilities for disposal of recyclables

Most of the open space in the borough is greenspace, in particular grassland. Although no real natural or semi-natural landscapes exist, a number of open spaces have significant biodiversity value - **28 sites within the borough**, and 21 within 1.2km, **are designated nature conservation areas**. However, this level of provision is not enough to meet the target set by the Mayor of London that everyone is within 1km of a nature conservation area of "borough" or "metropolitan" significance. **Map 5** illustrates this deficiency.

The borough's open spaces also play a cultural role, as a place for social gatherings and a setting for public art, monuments and historic buildings. **51 listed buildings** and **49 buildings of merit** are located within/adjoin an open space site included in this study.

The supply of children's playspace

- **There are 114 playspaces in the borough.** Most of these (96) are equipped. There are playgrounds in supervised facilities as well as unequipped kick-about areas.
 - **64** of the playspaces are in **housing estates**.
 - **Most of the playspaces cater for children under 8 years of age.**
 - **Map 9** illustrates the distribution of playspaces across the borough.
 - There are substantial areas of the borough not covered by a playground catchment. This is illustrated in **Maps 10** and **11**. Approximately **30% of 0-8 year olds are within 240m of an equipped playground** meeting the LEAP standard, or with potential to meet the standard.
 - Borough-wide, there is approximately **500m² of children's playspace per**
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1,000 people.

The supply of outdoor sports facilities

- There are **over 315 outdoor sports facilities in the borough**, across 69 sites. These include facilities in parks, schools, sports clubs and housing estates. **Map 13** illustrates the distribution of these facilities.
- **Approximately 40% of facilities are public.** Access is open to a further 49 facilities through membership of a club or prior arrangement with a school. 29 out of the 60 facilities in schools are available for public use through prior agreement.
- **The most common type of facilities are tennis courts, sports pitches** (most of which are for football) **and basketball/netball courts.**
- Across the borough, there is approximately **0.3ha of outdoor sports space per 1,000 people.** From time to time school and community groups from the borough make use of sports facilities outside the borough.

Moving Forward

This study has identified in general terms deficiencies in the level of access and the amount of open space, children's playspace and outdoor sports facilities. There are several options for responding to this deficiency. An obvious option is the **provision of new/expanded open space and outdoor facilities.** However, in a highly developed area such as the borough, this may not always be possible. Alternative options include:

- **Improving the quality of existing sites:** for example through improving the recreational facilities on housing estate amenity land, improving signage and landscaping along the Thames Path, and improving facilities and the general environment in key parks located in deficiency areas across the borough (such as Furnival Gardens, Frank Banfield Park, Cathnor Park, Wendell Park). It is important that an appropriate balance is reached between the various functions of open space;
- **Improving the accessibility of existing sites:** through improvements to access for disabled people, provision of cycle parking and safer street crossings around open spaces. The links between open spaces could also be promoted, particularly where a range of facilities is provided across an area. Raising awareness of open space and recreational opportunities through promotion and signage could be part of this option;
- **Opening up access to sites:** such as enabling community access to more sports facilities in school sites; and
- **Alternative forms of provision:** such as indoor facilities to supplement, not replace, outdoor facilities.

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Introduction

The value of open space and recreation

The borough's open spaces and outdoor sports facilities are a valuable resource, providing opportunities for recreation, exercise and respite from the built environment. They also contribute to the character and vitality of our borough and our sense of well-being, providing opportunities for social interaction, community celebrations, contact with nature and environmental education. Green spaces also have an important biodiversity function. Open spaces, in particular play spaces for children, have an important role in the social development of young people through play, sporting activities and interaction with others.

It is therefore important that all members of the community have good levels of access to a network of well managed and maintained open spaces of various types which meet a variety of needs. We need to ensure that there is an adequate amount and range of open spaces and recreation facilities for all residents and workers.

Project context

As the borough's population increases and development intensifies, the demands on our open spaces also increase. In highly developed boroughs such as Hammersmith and Fulham, opportunities for new spaces are limited. It is therefore essential that we take a strategic approach to open space provision. This is the approach promoted by Government and London Plan policies:

PPG 17 - Planning for open space, sport and recreation: requires boroughs to undertake assessments of the needs of their communities for open spaces, sports and recreation facilities. It recommends that such assessments should incorporate audits of the number, quality and use made of existing open spaces, sports and recreation facilities. These assessments and audits would inform the preparation of a strategy for open spaces, sports and recreation facilities which identified surpluses and deficiencies in provision, opportunities for new open space and facilities, and strategies for the design, management and maintenance of open spaces and facilities. Such a strategic approach would also enable the development of effective planning policies for the protection and provision of open space, sports and recreation facilities.

The London Plan: reflects the guidance in PPG 17. Local authorities are expected to undertake audits of open spaces and assessments of need as part of the development of open space strategies. Deficiencies in public open space and priorities for addressing them should be identified within local planning

policy. The revised 2008 London Plan adds that boroughs should also undertake audits of existing play and informal recreation provision.

Project aims

The project's main objective was to gain an up to date and comprehensive understanding of the supply of open spaces and outdoor sport and recreation facilities in the borough. Specifically, the project sought to identify:

- The type, quantity and spatial distribution of open space in and around the borough;
- What functions these open spaces serve;
- What facilities are provided by these open spaces, including outdoor sports facilities and children's playgrounds; and

The study was designed to provide a better understanding of existing deficiencies in access to open space and children's playspace and to identify possible options for improving the quality and value of open spaces in the borough.

The project represents an important step in the preparation of a strategy for the borough's open spaces, sports and recreation facilities. The findings will feed into the development of wider open space and recreation strategies as well as the review of planning policy as part of the preparation of the borough's local development framework (LDF).

Structure of the report

This report is divided into four main sections:

- **Section 1** – presents the aims and objectives of the project and the context within which it has been undertaken.
- **Section 2** – outlines the methodology used to undertake the project.
- **Section 3** – presents the project's main findings, including an analysis of current deficiencies in access to open spaces and children's playspace.
- **Section 4** – sets out recommendations and options for addressing and moving project further towards completion of a strategy.

In addition to this report, a second output is a database and GIS relating to all open spaces, outdoor sports facilities and children's playspaces in the borough and in close proximity to it. This database will form a key tool for future planning and management of open spaces and sport and recreation facilities in the borough.

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Project Methodology

The methodology used for this project has followed the guidance provided by the Mayor of London in the Guide to Preparing Open Space Strategies, particularly Section 2. The Companion Guide to PPG 17 also informed the project methodology. In addition, the assessment of outdoor sports facilities and play spaces has drawn upon Sports England's Guide to Preparing Playing pitch Strategies and the Mayor of London's Guide to Preparing Play Strategies.

The project was undertaken in 3 main stages:

1. Preliminary desk-top investigations and development of an audit form;
2. On-site audits of open spaces, outdoor sports facilities and play spaces; and
3. Analysis and mapping of collected data.

What open spaces were covered by the project?

Many of the borough's open spaces are small. As such, the project aimed to compile information on *all open spaces in the borough of 1,000m² or larger*, irrespective of ownership and the extent of public access; whether used or unused. Some public open spaces smaller than 1,000m² were also included.

In line with best practice, publicly accessible open spaces in neighbouring boroughs over 4,000m² and within 1.2km of the borough were also included¹. It is important that such open spaces are included as they may be used regularly by borough residents.

Definition of open space

For the purposes of this project, open space was defined as all land that is predominantly undeveloped other than by buildings or structures that are ancillary to the open space use. This definition is in line with the London Plan.

A broad range of open spaces were surveyed, including hard paved and water spaces:

Greenspaces	Hard paved spaces	Waterspaces
Parks and commons	Civic spaces	Rivers and canals
Gardens and squares	School yards	Inlets and docks
Amenity greenspace	Vacant land	
Cemeteries and churchyards	Construction sites	
Outdoor recreation facilities		
Allotments		
Nature reserves		
Green links		

¹ 1.2km represents the catchment size of a district park. For more details refer to Mayor of London, *Guide to Preparing Open Space Strategies*, 2004.

Appendix 1 provides descriptions of the different types of open spaces included in the project.

Generally, incidental areas such as footpaths, road verges, car parks and access ways were not included, though some road verges were included where they were of substantial size or formed part of a link in the open space network. Likewise, private domestic gardens were generally not included. Communal spaces over the size threshold were included. Generally, fragmented pockets of communal open space across estates were treated as one composite space, except where there were marked differences in use, access arrangements or landscape types.

Where open spaces contained or consisted of outdoor sports facilities or children's playspace, additional information was collected on each facility.

New open spaces under construction (soon to be completed), such as the riverside park at Imperial Wharf, were also included in the study.

What sports facilities and play spaces were covered by the project?

The project aimed to compile information on all outdoor sports facilities in the borough, irrespective of ownership and the extent of public access. This included sports facilities in schools and housing estates, as well as those within private and professional clubs or attached to indoor sports facilities (however any indoor sports facilities were not covered by this project).

As with open spaces, outdoor sports facilities in neighbouring boroughs within 1.2km of the borough which residents could have access to (including those where membership of a club or booking was required) were also included.

Definition of outdoor sports facility

For the purposes of this project, an outdoor sports facility was taken to be an open space which has been formally laid out for structured sport activity². Usually, there are line markings and/or fixtures such as goals posts and nets.

The types of outdoor sports facilities surveyed included pitches (of all sizes), tennis courts, netball and basketball courts, multi-sport pitches and bowling greens. Playing fields not laid out as a pitches at the time of the audit, but which are known to be used for formal sport activity, were included.

In addition to outdoor sports facilities, information was included on all children's playspaces in the borough which were accessible to the general public (eg.in a park) or provided as communal facilities in housing estates. Publicly accessible equipped playgrounds outside the borough, within 1km³ of the boundary, were also included.

² It is noted that open spaces not formally laid out for sport may also provide opportunities for play and active recreation activities (such as jogging and kick-a-bout), however these are not included as outdoor sports facilities.

³ 1,000m represents the maximum walking distance to an equipped play facility for older children. For more details refer to NPFA, The Six Acre Standard, 2001.

Definition of playing space

Open space dedicated for children and young people to play. Usually there are age restrictions placed on who can use the space. This includes both equipped play spaces providing focused opportunities for play (ie. playgrounds) as well as unequipped areas set aside for casual and informal play, such as kick-about areas.

Adventure playgrounds and supervised outdoor playspaces in play centres were included as these provide play opportunities for children and young people after school and in holiday periods are open to the general public. Playspaces in education sites (primary and nursery schools) were not included as they do not tend to be accessible by the general public.

Information sought

A database linked to a GIS was used to capture the information collected through the project. Audit forms were developed to facilitate the collection and recording of this information. These are reproduced at [Appendix 2](#).

A range of information was sought on each open space, outdoor recreation facility and playspace, including:

• Type/function	• Extent of public access/availability
• Facilities/equipment	• Ownership/management (if known)
• Size	• Relevant planning designations
• Landscape type	• Proposed or approved improvements/losses
• Location and access points	

It is recognised that function, use, condition and landscape type may vary across a site. In all cases, the predominant function, use or landscape type was recorded. Where outdoor sports facilities had secondary uses, these were also recorded.

All open spaces, outdoor sports facilities and children's playspaces were mapped on the GIS over an Ordnance Survey base layer. All structures ancillary to the open space use (such as kiosks and pavilions) were included as part of the open space.

Information was also sought on new open spaces, sports facilities and children's playspaces which have been proposed or approved (but not yet constructed). These are discussed in Section 3.

Preliminary investigations

As a first step, a desk-top study was undertaken to identify all open spaces, outdoor sports facilities and children's playspaces to be included in the study. Each was mapped on the GIS and available information compiled from existing data sources.

Information was collected from a variety of sources, including:

• aerial photography	• discussions with council officers
• ordnance survey data	• council websites
• land use surveys	• Sports England's Active Places website
• UDP maps	• planning applications database

In addition, telephone enquiries were made to large registered social landlords in the borough providing family accommodation to ascertain what playspaces and sports facilities they provided. The Parks and Planning departments of neighbouring councils were also contacted and asked to supply maps and information.

A schedule of information sources used for the study is presented at **Appendix 5**.

Site audits

Site audits were carried out between November 2004 and March 2005. All sites within the borough identified in the preliminary desk-top study were visited, where access could be gained. Sites in the London Boroughs of Brent and Ealing were also visited.

A series of pilot audits were conducted following which refinements were made to the audit form.

The primary aims of the site audits were to:

- check the accuracy of information collected during the desk-top study;
- fill in gaps in information; and
- check boundaries of sites.

Collected information was entered directly into the database and GIS using a hand-held computer.

Analysis of collected data

The final step of the project involved analysing the collected information. This was undertaken using the utilities of the GIS and database software. Census data and spatial information (such as the location of major roads and railways) was used to enrich the analysis.

The findings of this analysis are presented in the following section.

This section is divided into three main parts:

3.1 Open Spaces

3.2 Children's Playspaces

3.3 Outdoor Sports Facilities

Each part presents an analysis of the quantitative aspects of the open spaces, children's playspaces and outdoor sports facilities surveyed for this project. The analysis also includes a discussion on the spatial distribution of sites and indicative deficiencies based on current standards for provision. Each part concludes with a discussion on planned or potential improvements/losses to sites and proposed new open spaces and facilities.

A summary of each open space, children's playspace and outdoor sports facility in the borough is presented at [Appendix 5](#) to [Appendix 7](#).

3.1 OPEN SPACES

Quantity

The open space included in the study (both public and private) totalled approximately 386 hectares. This does not include the River Thames or Grand Union Canal.

The largest open space in the borough is Wormwood Scrubs, at 67.9ha. Most (70%) of the open spaces within the borough are small, less than 0.4ha. Almost a quarter (23%) are between 0.4-2ha.

Types of open spaces

The borough's open spaces take on a variety of different forms. **Table 3.1** gives a breakdown of the different open space "typologies" within the borough. They are based on those defined in PPG17, with refinements to take into account local circumstances. Each typology is a reflection of the predominant form and function of an open space. These "typologies" have also been grouped into 12 main categories. Definitions of each typology can be found at [Appendix 1](#).

The spatial distribution of the different types of open spaces within the borough is illustrated on **Maps 1, 1A and 1B**.

Parks and commons account for the largest area of open space in the borough (159ha). However, there are relatively few of these open spaces compared to other typologies. This reflects the fact that most parks and commons are large. Conversely, amenity greenspace accounts for more than half of the open spaces in the borough, however in terms of area accounts for less than 10% of

all open land surveyed. Most sites in this category comprise greenspace in housing estates and schools which tend to be fragmented and small in size.

It should also be noted that there are a significant number of hard surfaced school yards within the borough. These have the potential to serve more than just education uses, for example being made available for markets and fairs.

Table 3.1 – Types of open spaces in the borough

Category	Typology	No.	Area
Parks and Commons	Park	27	70.1ha
	Common	7	88.9ha
	TOTAL	34	159ha
Gardens and Squares	Formal Garden	2	6.0ha
	Garden Square	6	1.7ha
	Community Garden	2	0.2ha
	TOTAL	10	7.9ha
Amenity Greenspace	Greenspace Around Premises	144	45.0ha
	Greenspace in Educational Grounds	23	11.4ha
	Greenspace in Hospital	3	1.7ha
	Back Garden Land	7	1.1ha
	Mid-Block Greenspace	2	0.3ha
	Pocket Greenspace	9	1.0ha
	TOTAL	188	60.5ha
Cemeteries and Churchyards	Cemeteries	4	50.8ha
	Churchyard	8	1.8ha
	TOTAL	12	52.6ha
Outdoor Recreation Facilities	Outdoor Sports Facility (not in a park)	20	34.0ha
	Children/Teenagers Space	22	2.4ha
	TOTAL	42	36.4ha
Allotments	Allotments	3	6.6ha
Nature Reserve	Nature Reserve	2	1.0ha
Green Links	Canalside Green Corridor	1	1.7ha
	Railway Embankment	6	23.8ha
	Riverside Green Corridor	0	-
	Road Island/Verge	15	2.7ha
	Walking/Cycling Green Corridor	0	-
	TOTAL	22	29.2ha
Waterspace	Waterspace	4	-
Civic Spaces	Civic Space/Square	3	0.4ha
	Other hard Surfaced Civic Space	33	6.1ha
	TOTAL	36	6.5ha
School Yards	School Yards [hard surface]	46	13.6ha
	TOTAL		
Vacant Land/Construction Sites	Vacant Land	12	9.6ha
	TOTAL		
	Construction Site	5	3.8ha
	TOTAL	17	13.4

Notes

1. The new park at Imperial Wharf and public spaces within the BBC Media Village at White City have been included.
2. The Thames Path is included within the "Other hard Surfaced Civic Space" typology. Each section of path is recorded as a separate site.
3. School playing fields not within main school grounds are included within the "Outdoor Recreation Facilities" category.

Public open space hierarchy

In addition to the above typologies, all public open spaces have been given an additional classification based on their size (refer to **Figure 3.1**). This relates to the public open space hierarchy presented in the London Plan and forms the basis of estimations of open space deficiency (discussed later in this section). Additional categories of "Small Local Parks" and "Pocket Parks" have been added to the London Plan hierarchy, reflecting the fact that many public open spaces in the borough are small.

Table 3.2 provides a breakdown of public open spaces according to the above hierarchy. The spatial distribution of this hierarchy is presented at **Map 3C**.

Table 3.2 - Hierarchy of Public Open Spaces

POS Category	In borough		Outside borough	
	No.	Area	No.	Area
Regional	0	0	0	0
Metropolitan	1	67.9ha	2	91.3
District	1	28.4ha	4	96.6ha
Local Parks	17	103.8ha	21	151.6ha
Small Local Parks	18	16.8ha	20	19.2ha
Pocket Parks	56	7.9ha	6	1.5ha
Linear Open Spaces	22	6.4ha	-	13.8ha

Notes

1. Does not include waterspaces

Open spaces outside the borough

In addition to the open spaces located within the borough, there is approximately 477 hectares of publicly accessible open space within 1.2km of Hammersmith and Fulham. This comprises mostly parks (33 sites), outdoor sports facilities (10) and common land (6), as well as the grounds of Chiswick House and the London Wetland Centre. The River Thames and Grand Union Canal also flow through neighbouring boroughs.

Functions of open spaces

Open spaces can have a variety of functions; from an obvious amenity and recreational role, to providing habitat, supporting biodiversity and mitigating against flooding. The typology of an open space, discussed above, provides clues to its functions. The following discussion focuses on the recreational role of open spaces within the borough and the contribution that these areas make to the landscape, ecology and culture of the borough. It is mainly concerned with publicly accessible sites given that only limited access could be gained to other sites during audits⁴.

⁴ With the exception of housing estates, which are discussed separately later in this report.

Recreational Role

An assessment of the predominant recreational use of each open space was made as part of the audits⁵. Whereas more sites were used predominantly for passive recreation (179) than active forms of recreation (117), the actual amount of open space in active recreation use (333.6ha) was almost three times as high as that in passive use (134.3ha). However, when the Thames and the Canal are excluded, the amount of land in active use falls to 153.6ha. In addition, 68.2ha of open space in the borough was assessed as not having any recreational use - this included spaces such as railway embankments and vacant sites.

Definition of 'passive recreation'

For the purposes of this project, passive recreation is taken to include dog walking, walking, picnicking, and sitting out.

The facilities provided within open spaces are fundamental to how these areas can be used recreationally (and otherwise). Within public open spaces in the borough, the most common facilities are seats and bins. For many sites, particularly smaller ones and linear open spaces, these are the only facilities provided.

The greatest range of facilities is within parks and commons, predominantly those of local park size. The range of facilities provided within the borough's largest open spaces (Wormwood Scrubs and Kensal Green Cemetery) is by comparison more limited, though this is likely to be due to their respective functions.

Facilities for dogs, namely dog exercise areas and bins for dog mess, are amongst the more common facilities provided within the borough's open spaces. So too are play/sports facilities across a range of ages (though there are slightly more facilities catering for children under 7 than other ages). Most of the above facilities are found in parks and commons.

Further discussion on children's playspaces and outdoor sports facilities occurs later in this report.

It should be noted that whereas bins are very common in the borough's open spaces, not one publicly accessible site contained facilities for collecting recyclables.

Table 3.3 provides a breakdown of the recreational facilities provided within different types of public open spaces within the borough. Facilities located within each site are included in the summaries of open spaces at **Appendix 6**.

⁵ It is noted that open spaces may have both passive and active uses. For the purposes of this assessment, the predominant form of recreational use across the site was recorded. This was based on evidence of use that existed at the time of the audit. The actual use of a site may not reflect the its intended use.

Table 3.3 - Facilities within the borough's public open spaces

Open Space Typology	Mini golf	Pad pool	Fishing	Water sports	Basketball hoops	Play for Under 7	Play for 7 to 13	Play for Over 13	Skateboard area	Seats	Working toilet	Toilet for disabled	kiosk	Bins	Recycling bins	Dog bins	Dog exercise area	Dog-free area	Nature trail	Performance area	Car park	Bike parking	Marked walk route	Cycle paths
Parks/Commons	-	3	-	1	8	21	19	15	2	27	9	5	4	31	-	13	17	9	2	2	5	6	1	5
Gardens/Squares	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	6	-	-	-	6	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Amenity Greenspace	-	-	1	-	-	7	5	5	-	21	-	-	-	10	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	4	-	-
Cemeteries/Churchyards	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
Nature Reserve	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Green Links	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Civic Spaces	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	1	1	-	22	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	9	1	-
Outdoor Rec Facilities	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	0	3	1	1	8	34	27	24	2	89	10	6	4	79	0	17	18	10	3	2	10	19	2	5
POS Category																								
Metropolitan	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	1
District	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Local Parks	-	3	-	1	4	12	11	11	2	16	7	4	3	15	-	10	12	5	2	-	4	4	1	4
Small Local Parks	-	-	-	-	3	6	6	2	-	14	2	1	-	16	-	4	4	3	1	2	2	2	-	-
Pocket Parks	-	-	1	-	1	8	3	3	-	37	-	-	1	29	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	9	-	-
Linear Open Space	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	14	1	1	-	13	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	-
TOTAL	0	3	2	3	8	27	21	17	2	83	10	6	4	75	0	17	18	9	3	2	9	19	2	5
Notes																								
1. The table indicates the number of sites in a particular category that provide a particular facility. It does not indicate the actual number of facilities provided.																								
2. Only the main categories of open space typologies are shown.																								

The following publicly accessible open spaces, both within and outside the borough, provide both passive and active recreation opportunities across a range of ages⁶:

Within borough	Normand Park	Within 1.2km of the borough
Margravine Gardens	South Park	Roundwood Park
Shepherd's Bush Common	Hurlingham Park	Willesden Sports Centre
Brook Green	Bishop's Park	*The Park Club Grounds
Eel Brook Common	Wormwood Scrubs	Battersea Park
Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Hammersmith Park	Avondale Park
Ravenscourt Park	Wendell Park	Chiswick Back Common
Wormholt Park	Cathnor Park	King George's Park
Marcus Garvey Park		Southfields Recreation Ground
*Fulham Cross School		Holland Park
Norland North Open Space	* Limited public access	Acton Park

⁶ Defined as - sites with seats, bins and play facilities for under 13yos and over 13yos. The presence of basketball hoops (not in a laid out court) is counted as play facilities for over 13yos.

Structural/Landscape Role

The open spaces within the borough comprise a range of landscape types. Over two thirds of sites (283) are greenspaces, the remainder being hard paved or water. In terms of size, greenspaces make up most of the area of open space in the borough.

Table 3.4 provides a breakdown of the different open space landscape types across the borough.

Table 3.4 - Open space landscape types					
Landscape Type	No. Sites	Area (ha)	Breakdown by public access		
			Full	Limited	Restricted
Combination of grass and planted areas	95	94.9	33 / 66ha	1 / 0.08ha	61 / 28.8ha
Scrubland/meadow (with pockets of woodland)	1	67.9	1 / 67.9ha	-	-
Grassland with trees	30	57.4	11 / 53ha	2 / 0.2ha	17 / 4.2ha
Grassland with boundary planting	71	48.5	34 / 38.1ha	7 / 1.4ha	30 / 9.1ha
Trees/shrubs (woodland)	20	28.8	3 / 1ha	-	17 / 27.7ha
Grassland	38	24.2	10 / 3.1ha	6 / 8 ha	22 / 13.1ha
Garden beds/formal planting	8	8.8	2 / 8.3ha	-	6 / 0.6ha
Garden beds	2	6.0	-	-	2 / 6ha
Combination of planted areas & hard surfacing	14	4.1	6 / 1.9ha	-	8 / 2.2ha
Grassland with hard surfaced areas	4	1.2	1 / 0.7ha	-	3 / 0.5ha
Total greenspace	283	342ha			
Hard surfacing	107	38.9	29 / 4.9ha	10 / 10.5ha	68 / 23.5ha
Hard surfacing with planted elements	20	4.5	13 / 2.7ha	-	7 / 1.8ha
Total hard surfacing	127	43.4ha			
Notes 1. 'Full' public access includes sites with de facto access. 2. 'Restricted' access includes sites with no public access. 3. Vacant sites are included as hard paving. Construction sites were not given a landscape type. 4. Excludes the Thames and canal.					

Most hard surfaced areas in the borough are sites with restricted access, usually schools and vacant land.

All of the landscapes within the borough have been constructed and modified over the years, leaving no real natural or semi-natural landscapes. Most of the greenspaces in the borough consist of grassland - often in combination with trees or garden beds, but sometimes (such as in the case of amenity land around housing estates) just on its own or with some planting along the boundary. A small number of sites (representing 7.5% of total open space area) comprise dense woodland; these are mainly sites with no public access such as railway embankments.

Formal planting comprises very little of the landscape within the borough. However, within 1.2km are the extensive formal gardens of Chiswick House. In addition, the constructed wetlands of the London Wetland Centre is also located in proximity to the borough.

In terms of the structural role of open spaces, **Table 3.1** indicates that the open spaces in the borough comprise a range of forms. A large proportion of open space is in parks and commons; many of these are large areas of open land providing breaks in the dense built up structure of the borough. Several large burial grounds are also located in the borough.

The largest of the borough's open spaces are located to the north and south. Four sites in particular - Wormwood Scrubs, Hurlingham Park/Hurlingham Club, Bishop's Park/The Warren and St Mary's/Kensal Green Cemeteries - are of London-wide importance for their open nature and are designated as Metropolitan Open Land.

The degree of permeability of the large open spaces in the borough (that is the degree to which people can approach, access and cross through sites) varies, with some - Wormwood Scrubs, St Mary's/Kensal Green Cemeteries, The Warren and Hurlingham Club in particular - acting as barriers to movement across the borough.

The River Thames and Grand Union Canal also act as barriers to movements north/south across the borough, though act as transport routes providing access to the east and west of London and beyond. The River Thames also serves to define much of the southern boundary of the borough.

Railways and their embankments act as barriers as well. In particular defining the eastern boundary of the borough and being heavily concentrated in the north of the borough. The embankments also act as green corridors providing links for wildlife between larger open spaces.

Other linear open spaces in the borough include the Thames Path National Trail, which facilitates access to and along the River and links several large open spaces along the southern boundary of the borough. The Grand Union Canal Towpath acts as an important pedestrian and cycle route east/west across the northern part of the borough.

By contrast to the small number of large sites, there are a large number of small highly permeable/fragmented spaces spread across the borough. Many of these serve as the setting of development (in particular amenity space around housing estates), but also include civic spaces in town centres and small ornamental spaces such as gardens and squares providing a more communal focus.

Ecological Role

Even though the open spaces within the borough comprise constructed and modified landscapes, many nevertheless provide valuable habitat and

opportunity for contact with nature. 28 sites are currently recognised (and designated within the UDP) as Nature Conservation Areas. Such areas are seen as being particularly valuable both as habitat and a community resource and need specific protection.

Designated Nature Conservation Areas within the borough are listed in **Table 3.5**. This list does not include the White City Woodlands (0.8ha) which has been lost to redevelopment⁷. The spatial distribution of these Nature Conservation Areas is shown on **Map 5**.

In addition to these areas, there are 21 Nature Conservation Areas within 1.2km of the borough (these are also listed in **Table 3.5**).

The Mayor of London has set a target that everyone is within 1km walking distance of an accessible Nature Conservation Site of Metropolitan or Borough importance.

What is meant by Metropolitan and Borough importance?

Sites of Metropolitan importance can be defined as those which contain the best examples of London's habitats. These sites are of strategic significance and are given the highest priority against loss or damage.

Sites of Borough importance are important in the context of the borough. The nature conservation quality of these sites varies considerably. These sites are therefore graded as I or II in relation to their quality.

Within the borough, there are 15 sites which are of Metropolitan or Borough importance which are accessible by the general public (waterways have been counted). These sites are located primarily in the north and south of the borough, with Ravenscourt Park being the only open space centrally located (refer to **Map 5**). There are 2 sites within 1 km walk of the borough (Holland Park and Brompton Cemetery) which are of Metropolitan or Borough importance.

⁷ A replacement nature conservation area of 2,200sqm is approved to be included in the new development. The reserve is planned to be an educational resource, however access will be controlled and will only be available to groups through prior arrangement.

Table 3.5 - Nature Conservation Areas			
Name			
Within borough	Typology	Public Access	Level of Importance
Grand Union Canal (including towpath)	Waterspace/Green corridor	Unrestricted	Metropolitan
River Thames (including Chelsea Creek)	Waterspace	Unrestricted	Metropolitan
Kensal Green Cemetery	Cemetery	Unrestricted	Metropolitan
Wormwood Scrubs	Common	Unrestricted	Borough-I
Old Oak Common Sidings	Amenity Greenspace	None	Borough-I
Bishops Park (incl Fulham Palace & All Saint's Churchyard)	Park	Unrestricted	Borough-I
Former British Gas Pond	Waterspace	None	Borough-I
Hurlingham Club Grounds	Outdoor Sports Facility	Restricted	Borough-I
Railway sidings - various locations	Railway Embankment	None	Borough-I
St Mary's Cemetery	Cemetery	Unrestricted	Borough-II
Hammersmith Park	Park	Unrestricted	Borough-II
Ravenscourt Park	Park	Unrestricted	Borough-II
White City Estate Community Garden	Amenity Greenspace	De Facto	Local
Wormholt Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Wendell Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Cathnor Park (including Coningham Centre Garden)	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Shepherd's Bush Common	Common	Unrestricted	Local
Furnival Gardens	Park	Unrestricted	Local
St Paul's Open Space	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Hammersmith Cemetery	Cemetery	Unrestricted	Local
Fulham Cemetery	Cemetery	Unrestricted	Local
Normand Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
South Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Eel Brook Common	Common	Unrestricted	Local
Little Wormwood Scrubs	Common	Unrestricted	Local
Loris Road Community Garden	Community Garden	Unrestricted	Local
Godolphin Community Gardens	Community Garden	Unrestricted	Local
Outside borough			
London Wetland Centre	Nature Reserve	Limited	SSSI
Battersea Park	Park	Unrestricted	Metropolitan
Holland Park	Park	Unrestricted	Metropolitan
Brompton Cemetery	Cemetery	Unrestricted	Borough-I
Chiswick House Grounds	Formal Garden	Unrestricted	Borough-I
Putney Lower Common	Common	Unrestricted	Borough-I
Wandsworth Common	Common	Unrestricted	Borough-I
King George's Park	Park	Unrestricted	Borough-II
Southfields Road Recreation Ground	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Falcon Park/Shillington Street Open Space	Park	Unrestricted	Local
York Gardens	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Wandsworth Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
The Park Club Grounds	Outdoor Sports Facility	Limited	Local
Acton Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Trinity Way Open Space	Park	Unrestricted	Local
Avondale Park	Park	Unrestricted	Local
North Acton Cemetery	Cemetery	Unrestricted	Local
Lonsdale Reservoir and Plantation	Nature Reserve	Unrestricted	LNR
Barnes Common	Common	Unrestricted	LNR

The 1 km catchments of these sites has been mapped to determine the indicative level of deficiency in public access to nature conservation areas. Catchments were based on the actual entrance points to each site, with pedestrian barriers taken into account. The results are shown on **Map 5** and indicate an area of deficiency running north/south through the borough from the River Thames up to Brook Green.

This deficiency could be addressed by improving the nature conservation value of sites which do not currently reach the threshold of Borough importance. In particular, Hammersmith Cemetery, Normand Park, Eel Brook Common and South Park are located within the area of deficiency and could be improved. This could be achieved by changing the way sites are managed (such as letting grass grow longer) and/or through changes to landscaping.

In addition, new sites of nature conservation importance could be identified within the borough. The Biodiversity Team at the GLA was due to undertake a comprehensive biodiversity survey of the borough in 2008 ,but this has been put back until 2010.

Cultural role

The borough's open spaces have a variety of cultural functions, from providing places for entertainment and public gathering, to being the setting for public art, sculpture, monuments historic buildings and even archaeological heritage.

The audits identified whether the following cultural elements were present in open space sites:

• Historic features ⁸	• Sculpture and monuments
• Public art	• Listed buildings
• Buildings of merit	• Archaeological priority areas

Table 3.6 provides a breakdown of the number of sites containing different cultural elements.

⁸ An historic feature was considered to be any artefact, plaque, memorial or the like within a site which was associated with the history of the site or local area, but is not a listed building or building of merit.

Table 3.6 - Cultural elements in open spaces

Public Access	Historic features	Sculpture/monuments	Public art	Listed buildings	Archaeological Areas	Buildings of merit
Unrestricted/De facto	33	20	16	23	2	19
Restricted/Limited access	4	4	3	28	4	30
Sites with a range of elements						
Bishop's Park/Fulham Palace	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Kensal Green Cemetery	✓	✓		✓		✓
St Peter's Square	✓	✓		✓		
Shepherd's Bush Common		✓	✓	✓		✓
Hammersmith Hospital Grounds		✓	✓			✓
Furnival Gardens	✓	✓		✓		
Hammersmith park	✓	✓	✓			
All Saints Church Grounds	✓			✓		✓
Hammersmith Cemetery	✓			✓		✓
St Peter's Churchyard, Fulham	✓	✓				✓

Notes

1. The table indicates the number of sites that contain a particular element, not the number of elements provided.

114 sites within the borough contained at least one cultural element. Of these, 49 had unrestricted or de facto public access - around half of all public open spaces surveyed. These mainly comprised parks and the grounds of institutions. 34 sites within school grounds were found to have cultural elements and 16 within housing estates. The remainder of sites included church grounds not normally open to the public, clubs and community centres.

The table reveals listed buildings and buildings of merit are more often located in open spaces with limited or restricted

public access. Historic features were the most common cultural elements in public open spaces. There are a number of sites which provide a range of cultural elements (3 or more).

In addition, many of the borough's open spaces (223) are located within conservation areas; with many, such as St Peter's Square, Ravenscourt Park, Bishop's Park and the Grand Union Canal, forming an integral part of the character of these areas. Also, Bishop's Park and Fulham Palace, St Peter's Square and Kensal Green Cemetery are designated as historic parks and gardens and included in the English Heritage Register of Parks and Gardens of Special Historic Interest.

Open space deficiency

The following paragraphs provide an evaluation of indicative deficiency in access to public open space as well as in the amount of public open space within the borough.

Deficiency in access to public open space

The London Plan sets out a hierarchy of public open spaces, largely based on their size. Each of these is assigned a catchment – the likely distance a person would be willing to travel to an open space of that size. These are set out in **Figure 3.1**. These catchments should only be seen as indicative, used to broadly identify areas of the borough which are deficient in public open space.

The actual catchment of a particular open space will depend not only on its size, but on its quality, the facilities provided, barriers to access and how valuable/safe a person sees the open space to be. Indeed catchments will differ amongst individuals and groups within the community, such as the disabled. Such issues will need to be drawn out through public consultation and engagement (refer [Section 4](#)).

Figure 3.1 – Public Open Space hierarchy

Category	Indicative size	Catchment
Regional	Over 400ha	8km
Metropolitan	60-400ha	3.2km
District	20-60ha	1.2km
Local Parks	2-20ha	400m
Small Local Parks	0.4-2ha	400m
Pocket Parks	Less than 0.4ha	400m
Linear Open Spaces	Variable	-

Source: Mayor of London, Guide to Preparing Open Space Strategies, 2004

The Greater London Authority has undertaken an assessment of deficiency in access to Regional, Metropolitan and District sized parks. This is set out at [Appendix 9](#). The GLA's assessment found that 68% of the population of the borough is not within the indicative catchment of a district park. However, there is no deficiency in access to Regional or Metropolitan sized parks.

The deficiency analysis undertaken as part of this study focused on 'Local Parks'⁹ and 'Small Local Parks', using as its basis a 400m indicative catchment, taken from the actual entrances of each open space. This catchment was cut off at major barriers to access, and was continued only from safe crossing points along a barrier. All railway lines and waterways through the borough were used as barriers, as were the Westway, West Cross Route and Great West Road/Talgarth Road.

[Map 2](#) shows indicative deficiency in access to public open spaces over 4,000m² ('Small Local Parks'). The map indicates that there are only small areas of deficiency, each of which is in proximity to communal open space within a housing estate and/or school playing fields (though access to many of these is currently restricted). Small green spaces tend not to be large enough to provide many active recreation facilities and often function as sitting out or informal areas for the local community. Convenient access to larger open spaces is therefore important.

[Map 3A](#) illustrates the level of access to public open spaces over 4ha ('Local Parks'). Given that few of the public open spaces in the borough are this big,

⁹ Brook Green has been included as 'Local Park', even though it is slightly smaller than 2ha, as it displays all the characteristics of a local park. Farnham Gardens has not been included as 'Local Park'.

Cemeteries have been included in the calculations of deficiency, except where stated. These spaces provide valuable greenspace for people and wildlife, are of historical interest and provide quiet places for contemplation and retreat from the urban environment.

the areas of deficiency are larger. It is estimated that 32% of residents (52,802) are more than 400m from a 'Local Park' when barriers are taken into account¹⁰.

It is noted that part of the White City Opportunity Area is within an area of deficiency.

'Priority Areas' for improving access to public open space have been defined (refer to [Appendix 8](#) for methodology) and are shown on the deficiency maps. Areas which are amongst the most deprived in London and have high levels of residents likely to have reduced mobility (ie. children, people over 65 and people with long term limiting illness) have been given the highest priority.

An analysis of the 'priority areas' indicates that the areas of deficiency across Hammersmith/Shepherd's Bush and Old Oak are particularly critical as these areas have access to neither 'local parks' or 'small local parks', have high levels of deprivation and a higher proportion of people likely to have reduced mobility.

Map 3B provides a revised analysis of deficiency to 'Local Parks', giving a catchment of 1.2km around Ravenscourt Park and Bishops Park and excluding cemeteries. This is so as to enable comparison with the current UDP deficiency map which was generated on this basis. The main change has been the provision of a new public park at Imperial Wharf.

The extension of the catchments of Ravenscourt Park and Bishops Park was based on a 1998 survey of residents which found that they travelled more than 400m to use these parks. However, residents may travel longer distances to these parks due to a lack of suitable parks closer to home, and they may visit parks less often because of the distance required to travel. Parks located closer to home offer opportunity for more frequent and more convenient interaction with open space.

As stated above, the London Plan's Public Open Space Hierarchy is based on the size of an open space. This assumes that the characteristics of open spaces and the range of facilities provided are related to their size (refer to [Figure 3.2](#)). However, this may not necessarily be borne out in reality. For instance, there are a number of open spaces within the borough which provide a range of facilities and could be considered to be 'Local Parks' even though their area is less than 2ha.

Figure 3.2 – Indicative characteristics of public open spaces

Category	Nature of Visits	Characteristics/Facilities
Regional		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Large areas and corridors of natural heathland, downland, commons, woodland and parkland. – Primarily providing for informal recreation with some non-intensive active recreation uses.
	Weekend and	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Car parking at key locations.

¹⁰ This is based on the population size of 2001 Census output areas whose centres fall outside a catchment.

Metropolitan	occasional visits by car or public transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Natural heathland, downland, commons, woodlands or formal parks. – Providing both active and passive recreation. – Parts of the site may contain playing fields. – Adequate car parking.
District	Weekend and occasional visits by foot, cycle, car and short bus trips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Landscape setting with variety of natural features. – Providing for a wide range of activities, including outdoor sports facilities and playing fields, children's play and informal recreation pursuits. – Provides some car parking.
Local Parks		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Providing for courts games, children's play, sitting-out areas, nature conservation areas.
Small Local Parks	Pedestrian visits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Gardens, sitting-out areas, children's play spaces, nature conservation areas.
Linear Open Spaces		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Includes rivers, canals, paths, nature conservation areas.

Source: Adapted from Mayor of London, Guide to Preparing Open Space Strategies, Annexe 3, 2004

As such, a further deficiency analysis was undertaken, to determine how much of the borough was within 400m of a public open space which provided a range of passive and active recreational facilities (ie. playgrounds, pitches or courts, and seats). The following open spaces were included:

Within borough		Within 1.2km of the borough
Shepherd's Bush Common	Norland North Open Space	Avondale Park
Eel Brook Common	Normand Park	Southfields Recreation Ground
Lillie Road Recreation Ground	South Park	Acton Park
Ravenscourt Park	Hurlingham Park	
Wormholt Park	Bishop's Park	
Marcus Garvey Park	Wormwood Scrubs	
White City Estate	Hammersmith Park	

The deficiency is illustrated at **Map 4**. This map illustrates that the main areas of deficiency shown in **Map 3A** remain. However, there are new areas of deficiency, due largely to removal of cemeteries from the analysis. The catchment of the new park at Imperial Wharf may also need to be excluded if the final design of the park does not include a mix of facilities.

Although it would not be appropriate to provide sports facilities within the borough's cemeteries, the identified deficiency could potentially be reduced by increasing the range of facilities in existing open spaces such as Furnival Gardens, Frank Banfield Park, Cathnor Park, Wendell Park, William Parnell Park and Brompton Park as well as within housing estates in areas of deficiency. However, there may be space limitations preventing additional facilities in these parks, or other priorities for their use and landscaping which prevent more facilities being provided.

On a broader level, improvements in accessibility, as well as the provision of more open space will also assist in reducing deficiency.

Amount of public open space

In analysing deficiency it is important to look at the quantity of public open space available to borough residents, as well as how far away it is from them.

Overall, there is approximately 231ha of public open space within the borough. This includes cemeteries and the open space at Imperial Wharf, but excludes linear open spaces and waterspaces. This is equivalent to 1.4ha/1,000 population¹¹. If open spaces with de facto public access are included (another 17ha), the level of provision increases to 1.5ha/1,000 population on a borough-wide basis.

Residents also have access to public open spaces outside the borough (which they share with residents from neighbouring boroughs). If publicly accessible open spaces within 400m of borough are added to total supply, the level of provision increases to approximately 1.8ha/1,000 population.

The above statistics are misleading as they are skewed by the very large open spaces in the borough and do not account for that fact that the actual amount of open space accessible by residents will vary across the borough depending on their location. As such, a deficiency analysis which looks at both the size and catchments of open spaces has been undertaken, to determine how much open space residents in different parts of the borough have access to. This is shown in [Map 6](#). The methodology used to undertake this analysis is included in [Appendix 10](#).

As would be expected, the area around Wormwood Scrubs has a very high level of open space provision, both because of the size of the site and the fact that much of the surrounding land is in non-residential use and there are fewer residents. With the exception of a few small pockets, most areas of the borough have access to less than 1ha of public open space per 1,000 people. The southern part of the White City Opportunity Area has a low provision of open space, being serviced primarily by Shepherd's Bush Common. This level of provision would drop further if any future residential development on the site is not accompanied by appropriate levels of open space.

Areas around Ravenscourt Park and, in Fulham, along the south boundary of the borough have higher levels of open space per 1000 people - again due to lower residential densities and the presence of large open spaces.

Unlike for outdoor playing space, no national standards exist for the recommended overall provision of open space. It is therefore difficult to interpret the amount of provision within the borough. However, the development of local standards for provision will help put the current supply of public open space in the borough into some context (refer to [Section 4](#)).

¹¹ Based on the 2001 Census population.

Future changes to open space provision in the borough

The preceding section has focussed on the existing supply of open spaces within the borough and the current indicative levels of deficiency in supply. New open spaces, as well as improvements to existing ones, will help address deficiency as well as improve the value of open spaces to the community.

New open spaces or improvements which have been approved (but not yet constructed) or are proposed, together with those that have been completed since 2006, include:

- New nature reserve (2,200m²) at White City to replace lost White City woodlands. The development (opened October 2008) will also include public squares and terraced gardens.
- Over 13,100m² of communal open space as part of an approved redevelopment of employment land at Larden Road.
- 2350m² of communal open space as part of the Westway Beacons development.
- New public open space as part of the second phase Hammersmith Embankment development was approved in March 2007, which included additional areas of open space. The existing private amenity space outside the Phase 1 building is also to be made public and linked to Phase 2. Frank Banfield Park has also been refurbished (October 2008) as part of the scheme and provides an equipped children's play area as well as seating and CCTV cameras. The total area of the scheme set aside for open space is 0.76 ha.
- Potential areas of public open space within the White City Opportunity Area. Consultation on a Wider White City Opportunity Area framework is proposed for late 2008.
- Major refurbishments are planned for Shepherd's Bush Common. Under the proposal, the Common will be divided by paths into three main grassed sections, with raised areas and a section that can be used for entertainment. The historic war memorial will remain in its current location. A public consultation to discuss the possible refurbishment took place in January 2008 and construction is set to take place in January 2009.
- Normand Park refurbishment started in autumn 2007 following a £3 million investment from neighbourhood regeneration programme North Fulham New Deal for Communities (NDC), Hammersmith and Fulham Council and Arts Council England. The park was re-opened in July 2008 and includes a BMX practice area for younger people, a play area with outside table tennis tables, climbing walls, ball games area, sand pit and water feature and a community garden to grow herbs and vegetables.
- Redevelopment of Janet Adegoke Leisure Centre and associated improvements to Wormholt Park open space was approved in July 2008, subject to completion of a legal agreement. The redevelopment is for a health centre, offices and residential and includes the remodelling of part of the open space and the introduction of a piazza.

- Bishops Park and Fulham Palace restoration. The proposed restoration and improvements will provide new and improved play, recreation and sports for all ages. Application for lottery funding in March 2008.
- South Park has been earmarked for a major revamp in the emerging Parks and Open Spaces Strategy currently being developed. South Park will have extensive works carried out to raise the overall standard of management and grounds maintenance, as well as benefiting from much needed improvements to the park's key features.

The implementation of these spaces will be monitored and included in future open spaces studies.

A list of proposed or outstanding changes to existing open spaces (including proposed losses) is included at [Appendix 11](#).

Actual losses of open spaces that have occurred in the borough are covered in UDP monitoring reports.

Housing Estates

There are over 70 housing estates within the borough (both Council and Registered Social Landlord managed) with substantial areas of open spaces within their grounds. This open space is often only accessible by residents, but provides an important communal resource for them, particularly in areas of low public open space provision.

The greenspace in the borough's housing estates was divided into 87 sites for the purposes of this study. This does not include the open space on the Edward Woods Estate which is managed as public open space.

The most common recreation facilities within estates are playgrounds. There are a total of 41 equipped children's playgrounds and 4 unequipped kick-about areas. Sports facilities are less common. There are 3 basketball/netball courts, 7 multi-games courts and 1 artificial pitch within estates.

Amenity land within estates has not been included in calculations of deficiency in access to public open space, though this will contribute to the supply of open space in the borough by playing a communal role to estate residents. If managed effectively, with appropriate recreational opportunities (both passive and active), open space within estates can help reduce the demand for public facilities. This can be particularly beneficial in areas with access to low amounts of public open space and/or in an 'Open Space Priority' area.

Some estates have physically open boundaries, such as the White City and West Kensington Estates, and are thus permeable to the general public (whether or not general public access is formally allowed). Ambiguity in public access rights to these spaces has the potential to lead to disputes between general members of the public wanting to enjoy the space and estate residents.

The Thames Path

The Thames Path is an important feature in the borough and beyond and provides the general public with access to and along the River Thames. It also links several open spaces along or in proximity to the River.

3.2 PLAYSPACES

Quantity and types

There are 114 children's playspaces in the borough, across 84 sites. These playspaces include equipped playgrounds, supervised facilities and unequipped/kick-about areas (usually on housing estates). **Table 3.7** provides a breakdown of the different types of playspaces by extent of public access and access and age group.

Table 3.7 - Playspace provision in the borough

	Equipped Playground	Adventure Playground	Supervised Playcentre	Unequipped/ Kick-about	Total	Area (sqm)
Access						
Public	40	4	4	2	50	60,312
Estate	56	-	-	8	64	23,297
Age Group						
Under 8yo	68	-	2	3	73	
Mixed	19	4	2	1	26	
Over 8yo	9	-	-	6	15	
Total	96	4	4	10		

Notes

1. 'Public' playspaces include those with 'Limited' public access.

Most of the playspaces in the borough are unsupervised equipped playgrounds. More of these are located in housing estates rather than in public open spaces, however they tend to be smaller in size. Most of the playgrounds in the borough cater for children under 8, however there are a number which provide equipment suitable for

older children. Some playgrounds cater for a mix of age groups; though the extent to which they were used by different age groups was unclear.

Details of playspaces in neighbouring boroughs have also been recorded, however none of these are located close enough to be considered conveniently accessible by borough children.

Map 7 shows the spatial distribution of different playgrounds types across the borough.

Playspace deficiency

Deficiency in access to playspace

Children of different ages have different play needs, not only in terms of the types of activities and level of supervision, but also in terms of the distance they

will be able to walk independently to play facilities. Children are also sensitive to barriers such as busy roads.

Accordingly, the National Playing Fields Association (NPFA) recommends different catchments for its hierarchy of playspaces (refer to [Figure 3.3](#)).

Figure 3.3 - Summary of NPFA Standards for playspace

Playspace type	Main age group	Maximum Catchment		Minimum Size	Characteristics
		Time	Distance		
LAP	Under 6	1 min	60m	100m ²	Small, low-key games area.
LEAP	4-8	5 min	240m	400m ²	5 types of play equipment, small games area.
NEAP	Older children	15min	600m	1,000m ²	8 types of play equipment, opportunities for ball games or wheeled activities.

Source: Adapted by NPFA, *Six Acre Standard*, 2001

A series of deficiency analyses were undertaken based on the NPFA catchments. The first analysis focussed on playgrounds catering for children under 8 years old. This is shown in [Map 8](#). A second analysis was undertaken for playgrounds catering for children over 8 years old. This is shown in [Map 9](#).

For the analyses, playgrounds which met the NPFA LEAP standard (whether current or former standard) or have the potential to meet the standard and currently provide more than 5 play experiences were given an indicative catchment of 240m. All others were given a catchment of 60m. In addition, Wormwood Scrubs Playground (A) was given a catchment of 600m for the over 8 year olds analysis, as it met most of the characteristics of a NEAP. (see Appendix 3 for definitions).

The catchments of all the playgrounds were clipped at major boundaries. Playgrounds in estates were also included in the analyses. Their catchments were clipped to the boundaries of the estates they served.

Priority areas for improving access to children's playspaces have also been indicated on the maps. These are areas of the borough which are highly deprived and have high levels of children. The methodology for defining these priority areas is given at [Appendix 8](#).

In terms of indicative deficiency in access to playgrounds for children under 8 years old, [Map 8](#) indicates that there are substantial areas of the borough not covered by a playground catchment. The main priority areas for 0-8 year olds are shown to be around White City (north of Wormholt Park) and in Fulham (around Parsons Green). However, much of the borough between Wormwood Scrubs and the Great West Road is within a priority area.

[Map 9](#) indicates that only a small amount of the borough is within a catchment of a playspace for children over 8 year olds. However this does not account for outdoor sports facilities which also provide recreation opportunities for older children (though are not dedicated specifically for them). Priority areas for

children over 8 years old are similar to those for under 8 years old, with greater concentrations in the Hammersmith/Shepherd's Bush and White City areas.

The White City Opportunity Area does not currently have any access to equipped playgrounds. It is essential that any residential development on the site therefore provides adequate playspace provision.

Deficiency in amount of children's playspace

The NPFA's *Six Acre Standard* recommends the provision of 0.8ha of children's playspace per 1,000 people. This includes equipped playgrounds as well as casual or informal playing space within housing areas.

Within the borough, there is approximately 83,610m² of children's playing space. This equates to 505m²/1,000 people, or 3m² per child¹². This figure includes adventure playgrounds, supervised play facilities as well as unequipped kick-about areas, but not other casual areas for play, so the actual amount of provision could be higher.

As with open space provision, not all children in the borough will have equal access to this playspace – children outside the catchment of a playspace will have nil amount of playspace (unless they have access to domestic facilities). It is estimated that only 30% of 0-8yrs (4,525) are within 240m of a playground at NPFA standard or capable of being upgraded to NPFA standard (ie. playgrounds over 400m²). This includes children in estates with access to estate playgrounds.

Table 3.8 presents a breakdown of the amount of playspace available in the borough, counting only children within their catchments.

Table 3.8 – Breakdown of playspace provision in the borough

	No. of playspaces	Area of playspaces	Children in catchment	Sqm/chil d
Playspaces for 0-8yrs:				
Over 400m ² with 5+ play experiences, with public access	20	37,523m ²	3,603	
All over 400m ² , with public access	26	43,243m ²	3,813	
Including estate playgrounds with LEAP potential	39	51,382m ²	4,525	
Playspaces for over 8yrs:				
Over 400m ² , with 5+ play experiences, with public access	8	13,407m ²	739	
All over 400m ² , with public access	10	15,276m ²	794	
Including estate with NPFA potential	20	21,718m ²	1,488	

Notes

1. Calculations do not include playgrounds below 400m²
2. Population figures based the number of people under 8 and under 16 in 2001 Census output areas whose centres fall inside a playground catchment.

The NPFA standards are useful for comparing playspace provision across geographical areas. However, they may not be appropriate in light of the

¹² Based on 2001 Census population of 25,887 people under 16.

specific circumstances of this borough. The development of more localised standards of provision, will there be useful in interpreting the significance of the current level of provision (refer to [Section 4](#)).

Responding to deficiency

There a number of options available to reduce deficiency, including the provision of new playspaces and upgrading/expanding existing ones.

The analyses undertaken for this study revealed that there are a number of playgrounds which could be upgraded to meet NPFA standard. A hypothetical deficiency analysis has been undertaken to determine the impact that upgrading these playgrounds would have on deficiency. This is shown in [Map 10](#). This analysis also looked at making the following playgrounds in housing estate sites available to the public:

• Caroline Playground A	• Field Road Estate
• Gibbs Green Playground	• Lancaster Court Playground
• Ivatt Place Playground	• Sullivan Court Playground
• Shutters Square Playground	• Mackay House Playground
• Vine Square	

As [Map 10](#) shows, even after upgrading existing playgrounds, there still remain large areas of the borough where there is no coverage. New playgrounds could help reduce this deficiency, as well as alternative provision for children such as home zones.

Plans currently exist for upgrading a number of public playgrounds around the borough. New playgrounds are also proposed as part of large housing developments. These include:

- New play areas (including a Kids Active Adventure Playground) in Little Wormwood Scrubs as part of environmental improvements to the park;
- New play area in Frank Banfield Park as part of the second phase of the Hammersmith Embankment development;
- A new public playspace with children's playground and other facilities within the new park at Imperial Wharf;
- A new playspace proposed within the Lots Road Power Station development; and
- Communal playspaces to be provided within housing developments on the Westway and Larden Road.

Details of proposed new playspaces and upgrades are given at [Appendix 11](#).

In addition, the council is currently undertaking environmental improvement works in its housing estates.

If the population of the borough grows and gets younger, increased demand will be placed on existing playspaces. As such, a coordinated response is

necessary. Central to this response will be the need to set priorities for action, both in terms of the types of playspaces sought (ie. for what age groups and to what standard) and how these are provided (ie. council or developer provision).

The audits found a lack of unequipped sites designated for young children under 6 (ie. LAPs). Such facilities need to be provided very close to home, and would most appropriately be located on-site as part of housing developments.

This study has found that most equipped playgrounds cater for children under 8 years old. However, it is also important that consideration is given to adequate provision for children over 8. For this age group, facilities for ball games or wheeled activities become popular. This type of activity does not necessarily relate to equipment, and it can be space and opportunity provided for social interaction that is important. However, this does not mean that there should be no designated equipped play areas for older children. Appropriately designed areas are important to ensure that there are specific opportunities for older children and that they are not displaced by other users or do not displace younger users of other playgrounds through inappropriate use.

3.3 OUTDOOR SPORTS FACILITIES

Quantity and types

Within the borough, there are more than 315 outdoor sports facilities¹³ across 69 sites:

• 20 parks/commons	• 20 school sites
• 4 playcentres/community centres	• 6 sports clubs
• 16 housing estates	• 3 stadia for professional football clubs

There are two large private clubs in the borough providing outdoor sports facilities: the Queens Club and the Hurlingham Club.

The borough's outdoor sports facilities accommodate a range of sports and comprise a variety of different forms. **Table 3.9** provides a breakdown. The most common facilities in the borough are tennis courts, followed by sports pitches and basketball/netball courts. Multi-games courts are also common.

¹³ Latymer School Playing Fields (3.2ha) and Burlington Danes School Playing Fields (2.9ha) are classified as playing fields with 'multiple pitches'. These sites have different types of pitches for different sports at different times of the year and so it is hard to assess exact numbers and types. Also, some facilities have multiple uses, and numbers will vary depending on their use – ie. 3 tennis courts could be used as 2 basketball courts.

Table 3.9 – Outdoor sports facilities in the borough

Facility Type	Public access	Limited public access			Restricted access			Total
		Playcentre	Sports Club	School	School	Housing Estate	Other	
Athletics track/field	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	3
Basketball/Netball Court	13	1	-	-	13	5	1	33
Bowling Greens	5	-	2	-	-	-	3	10
Cricket Nets	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
Croquet Lawns	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	8
Pitches	35	2		3	4	1	9	54
Playing Fields (no pitch)	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Multiple Pitches	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2
Multi-Games Court	8	-	-	1	6	10	-	25
Putting Green	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Stadia	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3
Tennis Courts	47		13	23	16	-	69	168
Swimming Pools	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2
Total	124	3	17	29	40	16	87	

Notes

1. 'Other' includes exclusive clubs; facilities leased to professional/semi-professional sports clubs or schools; or unknown.
2. It is recognised that some facilities may have dual uses. The use evident at the time of the audit is counted.

Borough residents have unrestricted access to approximately 40% of the outdoor sports facilities in the borough (though many require booking or payment of a fee to use, particularly pitches and tennis courts). Limited public access is provided to a further 49 facilities, including those within sports clubs or schools which allow public access at certain times. 16 facilities were located in housing estates, for use by estate residents.

At the time of the site audits, two sites (South Park and Bishops Park) had playing fields which were not in use. Historically, these have been used for football and cricket.

Table 3.10 - Sports facilities within 1.2km of borough

Facility Type	Public access	Limited public access		Total
		Sports club	School	
Athletics track/field	2	-	-	2
Basketball/Netball Court	6	-	-	6
Bowling Green	5	2	-	7
Cricket Nets	3	-	-	3
Multi-Games Court	14	-	-	14
Pitch	33	5	2	40
Multiple pitches	1	2	3	6
Playing field with no pitch	1	-	-	1
Swimming Pool	-	1	1	2
Tennis Court	88	39	16	143
Other	2	-	-	2
Total	155	49	21	

In addition to the outdoor sports facilities within the borough, there are more than 200 facilities located within 1.2km of the borough, to which the general public has at least limited levels of access to. These facilities are listed at **Table 3.10**.

The majority of the facilities in neighbouring

boroughs are tennis courts. Pitches are also quite common. In addition, there are several large sites which provide a range of different types and sizes of sports pitches depending on the season. These are:

• St Paul's School Playing Fields (11.7ha)	• Capital City Academy Playing fields (3.2ha)
• Barn Elms Playing Fields (10.6ha)	• Virgin Active Club Playing Fields (1.7ha)
• Barn Elms Sports Centre (16.6ha)	• Lowther Road Playing Fields (1.2ha).
• Harrodian School Playing fields (5.4ha)	

Map 11 shows the spatial distribution of outdoor sports facilities across the borough and in neighbouring boroughs. The map indicates there are concentrations of sports facilities in large parks, particularly in the north of the borough (Wormwood Scrubs and Hammersmith Park) and the south (South Park, Hurlingham Park and Bishop's Park). Sports facilities within schools are dispersed across the borough.

Pitch types and sizes

The preceding discussion noted that pitches are one of the more common sports facilities within and outside the borough. These accommodate a range of different sports and are of different sizes. **Table 3.11** provides a breakdown of the uses and sizes¹⁴ of pitches in the borough.

¹⁴ The sizes of pitches were determined based on dimensions for pitches from Sports England's *Guide to the Production of Playing Pitch Strategies* (Appendix E). Where access could not be gained to a site, the size and type of a pitch was estimated based on aerial photos, ordnance maps, and other data sources such as club and school websites and council records.

Table 3.11 - Breakdown of pitches in the borough

Sport	Extent of public access	Size			Total	Dual use	
		Full	Junior	Mini		Full	Mini
Football	Unrestricted	16	1	9	39	-	-
	Limited	-	-	10		-	-
	Restricted	-	1	2		1	-
Rugby	Unrestricted	5	-	-	6	-	-
	Limited	-	-	-		-	-
	Restricted	1	-	-		-	-
Hockey	Unrestricted	-	-	-	1	1	2
	Limited	-	-	-		-	1
	Restricted	1	-	-		-	-
Cricket	Unrestricted	2	-	-	3	1	-
	Limited	-	-	-		-	-
	Restricted	1	-	-		-	-
Lacrosse	Unrestricted	-	-	-	2	-	-
	Limited	-	2	-		-	-
	Restricted	-	-	-		-	-

Notes

1. Some pitches are used for more than 1 sport, depending on the season. To avoid double counting each pitch is counted only once. The sport accommodated at the time of the audit is counted in the main part of the table. Additional uses are counted under the 'Dual Use' column.
2. Multi-games courts are not included, though they may accommodate pitch sport, such as 5-a-side football.
3. Latymer School and Burlington Danes School Playing Fields are not counted.

The most common sport accommodated by the borough's pitches is football, accounting for almost all pitches. These are split between full size pitches and pitches for 5-a-side games.

In addition to the pitches listed in **Table 3.11** there are 2 practice pitches in Hurlingham Park.

Most (45) of the pitches/playing fields in the borough are grass surface, however some (16) have artificial surfaces - 8 of these are in parks and are astro-turf pitches used mostly for football and or hockey. The artificial turf pitch in Hammersmith Park and

a pitch at Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre are full size.

Dual uses facilities

As noted above, a number of outdoor sports facilities in the borough can accommodate more than one sport. These are:

- Eel Brook Common: 2 basketball courts/mini football pitches
- South Park: 3 basketball/netball courts/mini football pitches
- Ravenscourt Park: Football/hockey pitch
- Hurlingham Park: Football/hockey pitch
- Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre: Rugby/football pitch and Football/hockey pitch.
- Fulham Cross School: Football/hockey pitch
- Burlington Danes School: 8 tennis courts/2 5-a-side pitches
- Godolphin and Latymer School: Tennis courts/hockey pitch

Ancillary facilities and features

Some outdoor sports facilities have ancillary facilities/features that can increase their capacity and versatility. A breakdown of those within sports facilities with unrestricted public access is given in **Table 3.12**.

Table 3.12 - Ancillary sports facilities in the borough

Facility Type	Floodlighting	Changing facilities	Spectator facilities	Practice area	All-weather	Bike parking	Car parking
Athletics track/field	1	2	2	1	1	1	2
Basketball/Netball Court	6	3	5	-	13	2	-
Bowling Green	-	5	3	-	-	3	1
Cricket Nets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Multi-Games Court	4	-	1	-	8	1	2
Pitch	8	27	1	5	9	8	28
Playing field with no pitch	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Playing fields	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tennis Court	-	8	18	-	47	5	7
Total	20	45	30	6	78	20	40

More than half of the public facilities in the borough were all-weather; most of these were tennis courts. Floodlighting was available to 20 of the public facilities in the borough, though a number of facilities in schools as well as private clubs also had floodlighting. 45 facilities had access to changing rooms, most of these were concentrated in a few sites: Wormwood

Scrubs, Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre and Hurlingham Park. Several other sites had changing room facilities which were not in use, such as at Bishop's Park.

Access to school sites

As noted above, there are 124 outdoor sports facilities in the borough to which the public has unrestricted access. A further 20 are available in other sites such as health clubs and playcentres for which the public require membership or enrollment to access. In addition, some schools in the borough make their facilities available for public use outside school hours.

Of the 69 outdoor sports facilities in schools in the borough, 29 are available to the public through prior engagement. These are located in the following 4 schools:

• Burlington Danes School	• Phoenix High School
• Fulham Cross School	• St Paul's Girls School

In addition to the above, 3 schools in the study area outside the borough make some or all of their facilities available for public use:

• Capital City Academy	• The Harrodian School
• St Paul's School	

Intellectual access

As well as on-site signage, other sources of information are important to inform the public on what sports facilities are available to them. Web-sites such as Sport's England's *Active Places* allow the public to access information on some types of sports facilities in their local area. However, not all types of outdoor sports facilities are covered at this stage.

The council's website is an obvious medium for informing the public about local sports facilities. The website was recently upgraded, and the information available on the borough's sports and leisure opportunities has improved from that available when the site audits were undertaken. There is now more comprehensive information available on the sports facilities located within individual parks in the borough as well as details on how to book them. Details of facilities, including private ones, can also be accessed via a Sports Directory, which lists information on a sport by sport basis. The addition of park maps as well as a "My nearest" search function provide further useful information on the website.

There are however some discrepancies and gaps in the information which could be addressed. In particular, not all facilities identified through the audits are listed in the webpages. In addition, there are no details of children's playspaces available across the borough nor are there details about the other facilities available within the borough's parks and open spaces.

Spatial distribution and indicative deficiency

Unlike for open spaces and children's playspace, there are no standards or guidelines for access to outdoor sports facilities. However, as part of the *Six Acre Standard*, the NPFA recommends that 1.6ha of outdoor playing space is provided per 1,000 people (1.2ha should be playing fields).

As well as sports facilities such as pitches, greens, courts, athletics tracks to which the public has unrestricted access (ie. facilities in parks), the NPFA standard also includes:

- **School sports facilities**, where these are made available for wider community use;
- **Private sports facilities**, such as in health and fitness clubs. Though the public at large may have limited access to these facilities (ie. they may require a membership), they are included because they make important contributions to available playing space and reduce demand on public facilities. The grounds of professional or semi-professional clubs are excluded.
- **Facilities within housing estates**. Again, if these facilities did not exist, the demand on public sports facilities would be greater.

Based on the NPFA standard, there is a total of approximately 48ha¹⁵ of outdoor playing space within the borough; 25.6ha of which is pitches and playing fields. This equates to 0.3ha/1,000 people overall and 0.15ha of playing pitches/1,000 people.

¹⁵ This is based on the actual area of facilities as plotted on the GIS.

Table 3.13 gives a breakdown of the area of different facility types in the borough.

As with the provision of children's play space and open space in general, the adequacy (or otherwise) of the current level and type of provision can only be determined through the development of local standards (refer to **Section 4**).

Table 3.13 - Area of sports facilities

Facility Type	Area
Playing Fields/Pitches	25.6ha
Tennis Court	10.3ha
Athletics track/field	6.1ha
Basketball/Netball Courts	1.6ha
Bowling Greens	1.9ha
Multi-Games Courts	1.1ha
Croquet Lawn	0.7ha
Putting Green	0.7ha
Cricket Nets	0.01ha
Swimming pool	0.04ha
Total	48.2ha

Use of sports facilities outside the borough

The borough's website indicates that demand for playing pitches within parks generally exceeds availability (though this is not the case for all facilities, such as the pitches in Bishop's Park and South Park which were not laid out at the time of the audits).

Some indication of the inadequacy of the current sports provision within the borough is provided by evidence of use by the council of sports facilities outside the borough.

Although the council does not own any outdoor sports facilities outside the borough, the following facilities are used by groups/schools from the borough:

- **Barn Elms Sports Centre:** this facility is managed by the London Borough of Wandsworth and has playing fields and a rowing centre.
- **Thames Young Mariners Outdoor Education Centre at Ham Fields, Richmond:** This facility is owned and operated by Surrey Council. Council has used part of its New Opportunities Funding for PE and Sport to upgrade the Thames Young Mariners changing rooms and to build a low ropes course and a climbing wall. In return, borough schools receive a subsidised rate for using the centre.

New and refurbished outdoor sports facilities

The Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre has undergone refurbishment. Facilities include athletics field and track, football/hockey pitch and floodlit training.

Other planned improvements or new outdoor sports facilities are listed at **Appendix 1**

This study has provided an overview of the supply of open spaces, children's playspace and outdoor sports facilities within and in proximity to the borough in 2005. It has also identified several issues and opportunities for open space provision and management.

The study is an important step in the process of developing a comprehensive Open Space Strategy for the borough. Such a strategy could encompass dedicated strategies for children's play and provision of playing pitches and would be particularly important as the borough's population grows, placing increasing pressures on open spaces, children's playspaces and outdoor sports facilities. The Strategy could also cover issues such as improvements to the quality of open spaces, including their safety, accessibility and versatility, whilst ensuring their use for recreation does not erode their biodiversity and amenity value.

An Open Space Strategy will also help inform a planning obligations strategy.

Further important steps in preparing an Open Space Strategy are set out below.

Audit of community's needs and attitudes

An important step in the preparation of an Open Spaces Strategy is evaluating the needs and perceptions of the community with respect to the provision of open spaces and recreation facilities. This is important as needs and perceptions of quality and value will vary amongst the community.

This information is most appropriately collected through surveys. This consultation must be inclusive of all people in the borough, including young people, disabled people and individuals from other disadvantaged groups. Groups such as schools and sports clubs should also be consulted. It should be noted that an update of the 1998 Parks and Open Spaces Survey has been undertaken in 2008.

Developing local standards

National standards have limitations. In particular, they do not reflect local circumstances, such as differing demographic profiles and the extent of existing built development in an area. It is therefore hard to determine the adequacy of the current level of provision of open spaces and recreation facilities in the borough through a comparison with national standards.

PPG17 highlights the need for boroughs to develop local standards for provision to reflect local circumstances and community needs and aspirations.

The Mayor of London has published guidelines for Children's Play provision in an SPG (Providing for Children and Young People's Play and Informal Recreation). The SPG responds to the different urban contexts of London - 'central', 'urban' and 'suburban' and is more applicable than the NPFA *Six Acre Standard*.

The guidance and standards cover how much playspace should be provided, and the emphasis is on quality and accessibility - addressing when and where playspace should be provided and how it could be designed to offer a rich and rewarding experience for children and young people across a range of age groups.

The standards move beyond a preoccupation with the provision of formal equipped playspaces to a broader focus on the need for flexible spaces with variety of functions and experiences for children, providing better contact with nature.

The development of local standards for the provision of recreation facilities should be incorporated into the borough's Local Development Framework.

Responding to open space deficiency

Options and priorities for responding to identified deficiency in access to and the amount of open space and recreation facilities need to be considered as part of the development of the Open Space Strategy.

There are a number of options for responding to deficiency, the most obvious of which is the provision new or expanded open spaces and facilities. However, this may not always be a realistic option given the dense urban nature of the borough and pressures for development of land for other uses. Indeed, realistically, it may be impossible to ever fully overcome deficiency due to lack suitable sites. Other options include:.

• Improving the quality of existing open spaces and recreation facilities;
• Improving access to existing open spaces and recreation facilities;
• Opening up access to private and semi-private open spaces and recreation facilities;
• Protecting existing open spaces and recreation facilities from being lost;
• Investigating alternative forms of provision , such as increased amenity space in housing developments or new indoor recreation facilities; and
• General greening of the public domain.

Appendix 1

Definitions of Open Space Typologies

Typology	Definition
Parks and Commons	
Park	Usually named, with bylaws, distinct, secure boundaries and prominent entries. Formally managed for public recreation, providing opportunities for passive and active recreation. Includes seats, bins, playgrounds and sports facilities. Variety of landscapes including trees, flowerbeds and shrubbery.
Common	Registered common land. Usually named and with open boundaries. Can be formally managed as a park, providing opportunities for passive and active recreation. Seating and bins.
Gardens and Squares	
Formal Garden	Well-defined and secured boundaries with high standards of horticulture and intricate and detailed landscaping. Formally managed as garden, offering passive recreation opportunities.
Garden Square	Small ornamental space as a focus for immediate surrounding houses. Usually accessed by surrounding residents only. Passive recreation opportunities, though may have playground or court.
Community Garden	Informal green space of community importance. May be ecological and educational interest. Defined boundaries. Usually managed by community organisation. Offer passive recreation opportunities.
Amenity Greenspace	
Greenspace Around Premises	Informal greenspace, often grassland, around housing estates (or community or commercial properties). Usually communal space providing opportunities for informal recreation. Includes communal roof terraces and courtyards. May have seats and offer opportunities for children to play close to home. May not have clearly defined or secured boundaries. De facto public access.
Greenspace in Educational Grounds	Informal greenspace around schools or universities, often with restricted public access. Could be grassland or planted areas. Usually provides informal recreation opportunities, but may have educational value or provide outdoor sports facilities.
Greenspace in Hospital	Informal greenspace around hospitals, often grassland or small landscaped areas with seating and bins. Boundaries may not be clearly defined or secured. De facto public access.
Back Garden Land	Informal greenspace to the rear of properties, usually residential, accessed from within the property itself and privately managed. May be of ecological value and offer informal recreation opportunities.
Mid-Block Greenspace	Informal greenspace surrounded by properties, usually residential, with little or no access from the street. May be communally managed, with no access by the general public.
Pocket Greenspace	Small informal greenspace, accessible by the general public. Usually providing seating and opportunities for informal recreation. May be planted.

Typology	Definition
Cemeteries and Churchyards	
Cemeteries	Clearly defined and secured boundaries with prominent entrances. Not ancillary to a place of worship. May have seating. Offers opportunity for reflection and remembrance. Grassland, trees or shrubbery. May be of ecological value. General public access.
Churchyard	Clearly defined boundaries, attached to a place of worship. Usually with tombstones and sometimes seating. Boundaries may be secured and offer limited public access, or may be open to the general public. Provides opportunity for sitting, reflection, contemplation and congregation. Varying landscapes.
Outdoor Recreation Facilities	
Outdoor Sports Facility (not in a park)	Open space designated specifically for sports use, such as stadia and playing fields. Usually with limited public access (eg. on match days only, or through prior booking).
Children/Teenagers Space	Open spaces designated for use by children/teenagers, not part of larger open space. Usually with secure and defined boundaries. Includes equipped and non-equipped play areas and supervised and unsupervised facilities. Varying levels of public access.
Allotments	Generally managed and maintained by the local population and accessible by plot holders only. Secure boundaries. Opportunity for passive recreation. May be of ecological or educational value.
Nature Reserve	Areas of planted or indigenous vegetation, formally managed for conservation of flora and fauna. Of significant ecological and educational value. Usually requiring specialist attention and management. Boundaries may be open or may be secured with limited public access.
Green Links	
Canalside Green Corridor	Vegetated footpath or cycleway along canal. May be of ecological value. Usually, unrestricted access by the general public.
Riverside Green Corridor	Vegetated footpath or cycleway along river. May be of ecological value. Usually, unrestricted access by the general public.
Railway Embankment	Highly secured boundaries and entrances and no public access. Range of vegetation from grassland and scrub to woodland. May be of ecological value.
Road Island/Verge	Usually grassland, but may be planted with shrubs or trees. Of noteworthy size or forming part of a chain of roadside greenspaces. May provide seating. Usually open boundaries.
Walking/Cycling Green Corridor	A designated publicly accessible footpath or cycleway through vegetation. May be of ecological value.
Waterspace	Includes canals, rivers, creeks, docks and inlets. Water-based recreational opportunities. Usually, of ecological value. Varying levels of public access.
Civic Spaces	

Typology	Definition
Civic Space/Square	Hard paved publicly accessible space, usually with open boundaries. Focal point for community. Used for congregation, markets and sitting out. May include public art and water features.
Other hard Surfaced Civic Space	Less well defined space, yet open and publicly accessible. Less formal use. Includes riverside promenades.
School Yards	Hard paved areas within schools. Usually used for congregation and active recreation. Usually with limited public access.
Vacant Land and Construction Sites	
Vacant Land	Derelict or cleared land awaiting development. Includes construction sites on which construction had not yet commenced at time of audit. Secure boundaries and usually with no public access.
Construction Site	Development site on which construction has not yet finished. Secure boundaries and restricted access.

Appendix 2

Information sought on Open Spaces, Outdoor Sports Facilities and Children's Playspace

Outdoor Sports Facility <all facilities given a name>

Type

Pitch
Playing field with no pitch
Bowling Green
Tennis Court
Basketball/Netball Court
Multi-Games Court
Athletics track/field
Stadium
Other (please specify)

One of the above selected.

If courts, number:

If playing pitch:

Main sport
Surface
Capacity

Size

Mini
Junior
Full

Location

Details of site/open space at which facility is located

Access from

Details of where access points are located

Public Access

Unrestricted
Limited: Club members
Limited: School use/Community use by appointment
Restricted: Estate residents only
Restricted: School use only
Other (please specify)

(refer to Section 3 of this report)

Nature of Public Access

Requirements/restrictions on use - eg. membership needed, need to book

Availability

Details of days/times available for public use.

Facilities

All Weather Spectator Facilities
Floodlighting On-site Bike Parking
Practice Area On-site Car Parking
Changing Facilities
Secondary Use Details:

Accessibility (Score 0-2)

Pedestrian Public Transport
Private Car Wheelchair
Cycle Intellectual

Condition

Good
Satisfactory
Poor

Level of Use

Not or hardly used
Moderate numbers
Frequent Use

Manager

If known

(Refer to Appendix 3)

Notes

Notes on site-specific matters.

Children's Playspace <all facilities given a name>

Type

Equipped Playground
Adventure Playground
Supervised Playcentre
Unequipped Play Area/Kickabout Area
Youth Area
Other (please specify)

One of the above selected.

Age Group Accommodated

Area of Activity Zone

Location

Details of site/open space at which playspace is located

Access from

Details of where access points are located

Public Access

Unrestricted
Limited: Enrolled children
Restricted: Estate residents only
Other (please specify)

(refer to Section 3 of this report)

Nature of Public Access

Requirements/restrictions on use - eg. enrolment or prior booking needed

Availability

Insert details of days/times available for public use.

Equipment

Number of Items of Play Equipment
(multi-play items counted as 1)
No. of Play Experiences Available
Seats Enclosed
Bike Parking Signage

Accessibility (Score 0-2)

Pedestrian Cycle
Wheelchair Score Derived from RoSPA
Sensorv assessment where possible

Condition

Good
Satisfactory
Poor

Overall Risk Level

From RoSPA assessment if one exists for site

Level of Use

Not or hardly used
Moderate numbers
Frequent Use

Manager

If known

(Refer to Appendix 3)

NPFA Standard:

Meets former NPFA standard
Potential to bring up to NPFA standard

Details of what is required to bring playspace up to NPFA standard, if there is potential for this.

(Refer to Appendix 4)

Notes

Notes on site-specific matters.

Open space <all open spaces given a name>

Typology

Park
Common
Formal Garden
Garden Squares
Community Garden
Greenspace Around Premises
Greenspace in Educational Grounds
Greenspace in Hospital
Back Garden Land
Mid-Block Greenspace
Pocket Greenspace
Cemeteries
Churchyard
Outdoor Sports Facility (not in a park)
Children/Teenagers Space
Allotments
Nature Reserve
Canalside Green Corridor
Railway Embankment
Riverside Green Corridor
Road Island/Verge
Walking/Cycling Green Corridor
Waterspace
Civic Space/Square
Other hard Surfaced Civic Space
School Yards [hard surface]
Vacant Land
Construction Site

One of the above selected (refer to Appendix 1)

Public Open Space Category

Regional Park
Metropolitan Park
District Park
Local Park
Small Local Parks
Linear Open Space

If space is publicly accessible, one of the above selected, based on its size (refer to Section 3 of this report for more detail)

Nature Conservation

Level of NC Importance

(refer to Section 3 of this report)

Tree Preservation Order ☐

Street frontages

Public Access

Unrestricted
De Facto
Limited: School use/Community use
by appointment
Limited: Enrolled children
Restricted: Estate residents only
Restricted: School use only
None
Other (please specify)

(refer to Section 3 of this report)

Entry points

Open access to site
Limited entry points

Access from

Details of where access points are located

Functions of Open Space

Predominant Recreational Use

Passive
Active
None

(refer to Section 3 of this report)

Level of Use

Not or hardly used
Moderate numbers
Frequent Use

Predominant Landscape Type

Grassland
Grassland with boundary planting
Garden beds/formal planting
Grassland with trees
Trees/shrubs
Combination of grass & planted areas
Hard surfacing
Water
Other (please specify)

One of the above selected.

Contributes to Visual Amenity ☐

Physical Accessibility (Score 0-2)

Pedestrian ☐ Public Transport ☐
Private Car ☐ Wheelchair ☐
Cycle ☐ Road Safety ☐

Intellectual Accessibility

Public ROA Obvious ☐
Signage Score ☐

Signage Provided On-Site

Map ☐
Byelaws/opening times ☐
Community Notices ☐
Interpretative/Educational ☐

(Refer to Appendix 3)

Condition

Good
Satisfactory
Poor

(refer to Appendix 3)

UDP 2003 Designations

Ownership

If known

Manager

If known

Relevant Planning Applications/Permissions

Outstanding applications/permissions affecting site ☐

Improvements

If applicable

Losses

If applicable

Facilities

Mini Golf <input type="checkbox"/>	Under 7s Play <input type="checkbox"/>
Paddling Pool <input type="checkbox"/>	7-13 Play <input type="checkbox"/>
Fishing <input type="checkbox"/>	Over 13s Play <input type="checkbox"/>
Water Sports <input type="checkbox"/>	BMX Track <input type="checkbox"/>
Basketball Hoops <input type="checkbox"/>	Skateboard Area <input type="checkbox"/>
Number <input type="checkbox"/>	
Seats <input type="checkbox"/>	Car Parking <input type="checkbox"/>
Operational Toilet <input type="checkbox"/>	Bike Parking <input type="checkbox"/>
Disabled Facilities <input type="checkbox"/>	Horse Riding <input type="checkbox"/>
Information/signage <input type="checkbox"/>	Marked Walking Route <input type="checkbox"/>
Refreshments/kiosk <input type="checkbox"/>	Marked Cycle Paths <input type="checkbox"/>
Litter Bins <input type="checkbox"/>	Historic Features <input type="checkbox"/>
Recycling Facilities <input type="checkbox"/>	Details <input type="text"/>
Dog Litter Area <input type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture/Monuments <input type="checkbox"/>
Dog Exercise Area <input type="checkbox"/>	Public Art <input type="checkbox"/>
Nature Trail <input type="checkbox"/>	Archaeology Remains <input type="checkbox"/>
Animal/Bird Enclosure <input type="checkbox"/>	Listed Buildings <input type="checkbox"/>
Performance Area <input type="checkbox"/>	Buildings of Merit <input type="checkbox"/>
	Other <input type="text"/>

Quality of Open Space

Dominant Ambient Sounds

Heavy Traffic ☐ Noise from Industry ☐
Frequent Air Traffic ☐ ☐
Frequent Trains ☐ Ambient Noise Low ☐
Other

Safety and Security (Score 0-2)

Lighting ☐ Indicative Crime Rate ☐
Passive Surveillance ☐ Locked at Night ☐
Anti-Social Activity ☐

Community Involvement (Score 0-2) ☐

(Refer to Appendix 3)

Notes

Notes on site-specific matters.

Appendix 3

NPFA Standards for Children's Playspace

2001 NPFA Standard			
Characteristics	Local Area for Play (LAP)	Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP)	Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play (NEAP)
Age group accommodated	Under 7	4-8 years	Older children
Pedestrian access		On well used pedestrian route	
Site characteristics	Well drained site, grass or hard surface.	Well drained site, both grass AND hard surface areas.	
Other requirements	Overlooked from nearby houses.	Impact absorbing surface beneath and around equipment.	
Min size of activity zone	100m ²	400m ²	1,000m ² (with hard surface area 465m ²)
Min types of play equipment ¹		At least 5 types of play equipment (incl. at least 2 individual pieces). Each of the following must be accommodated:	8 types, of which:
Activities to be accommodated by equipment ²	Unequipped. May have features to allow children to identify space as their own domain (eg. footprint trail, mushroom seat).	Balancing; Rocking; Climbing/agility; Sliding; Social play. (swings are additional)	Min. 1 for rocking, touch, social play Min. 2 for sliding, swinging, climbing Min 5. (of which min 3 must be individual pieces) for more adventurous climbing, single point swinging, balancing, rotating, or gliding.
Space around equipment		Adequate for chasing, tag, etc...	
Enclosure requirement	600mm high guard-rail or low level fence around perimeter.	Enclosed site. If by fencing, it is at least 1m high. 2 outward opening and self-closing gates at opposite ends.	
Barrier requirement		Barrier limiting speed of entry/exit.	
Min buffer from housing	5m from dwelling facade	10m (20m from habitable room)	30m
Buffer design		Includes planting	
Seating	Some seats provided	Near play equipment and hard surface games area.	
Signage	Solely for use by children. Adults to be accompanied by child. No dogs	As for LAP, plus: Name/contact of operator Location nearest public telephone.	
Bins		At least one.	At entries and near each group of seats.
Bike parking			Secure and convenient bike parking.
Max walking time from home	1min	5mins	15mins
Notes 1. Equipment must be designed, manufactured, installed and maintained in full accordance with standards. 2. Play Activity types: Balancing (inc. graphic line elements); Rocking; Climbing/Agility (inc. overhead bars); Sliding (inc. fire-fighter poles); Social play (inc. child seating); Rotating; Swinging; Jumping; Crawling; Viewing (eg. ground graphics); Counting; and Touching (eg. sand and water).			

Former Standard			
Characteristics	Local Area for Play (LAP)	Local Equipped Area for Play (LEAP)	Neighbourhood Equipped Area for Play (NEAP)
Age group accommodated	4-6		
Siting	Each site must be overlooked by housing, pedestrian routes or other well-used public facilities.		
Other requirements		Impact absorbing surface beneath and around equipment with fall height greater than 600mm. All equipment must be assessed as safe for continued use by a competent playground inspector.	
Min size of activity zone	100m ²	400m ²	1,000m ²
Equipment	Each site must have no play equipment.	A minimum of five different activities. Multi-play equipment may be counted as having up to three separate activities.	A minimum of eight different activities. Multi-play equipment may be counted as having up to three separate activities.
Other play		Each site must have a small games area (may be grassed).	Each site must have a hard surfaced kick-about/skating/cycle play area.
Enclosure requirement	Enclosed by a fence or barrier	Entirely fenced with self-closing gates.	
Signage		No dogs	
Max walking time from home	1min/100metres		
Source Best Value and Audit Commission Performance Indicators for 2000/2001.			

Playgrounds with potential to be brought up to NPFA standard			
Name	Main actions needed to reach standard	Name	Main actions needed to reach standard
Fulham Court Playground B	More types of equipment. Signage.	Little Wormwood Scrubs Playground A	Equipment for 4-8yrs. 2 gates.
Fulham Court Playground A	Signage.	Wormholt Park Playground B	More types of equipment. Signage.
Lancaster Court Playground	More types of equipment. Signage.	Wormholt Park Playground A	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Signage. Seats. 2 gates. Potential for NEAP if more equipment and bike parking provided.
Robert Owen Playground	More types of equipment.	Wendell Park Playground	Signage. Potential for NEAP potential if equipment for older children and bike parking is provided.
Guinness Trust Estate Games Area	Equipment. Signage. Seats. 2 Gates.	Bishop's Park Playground B	Equipment for 4-8yrs. 2 gates.
Samuel Richardson Games Area	Equipment. Signage. Seating.	Ivatt Place Playground	Signage.
Shuters Square Playground	More types equipment. Signage. Seating. Enclosure.	New Zealand Way Playground	Signage. Gate. Potential for NEAP if equipment for older children and bike parking provided.
William Parnell Playground	More types of equipment. Signage. 2 Gates.	Becklow Gardens Playground A	More types of equipment.
Eel Brook Playground A	Potential NEAP. Needs appropriate range of equipment.	Shepherd's Bush Green	More types of equipment. Signage. Gate.
Cathnor Park Playground	Signage.	Bush Court Playground A	More types equipment. Enclosure. Signage.
Laundry Road Playspace	Potential for LAP. Need seats.	Ravenscourt Park Playground C	Equipment for 4-8yrs.
Normand Park Playground A	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Gates.	Linacre Court Playground	Equipment for 4-8yo. Signage.
Fulham Court Playground C	More types of equipment.	Cleverly Estate Playground B	Equipment for 4-8yo. Seats.
Mackay House Playground	More types of equipment. Signage.	Cleverly Estate Playground A	More types of equipment.
Vine Square	More types of equipment. Seats.	Hammersmith Park Playground A	More types of play equipment. Signage.
Margravine Playground A	Signage.	Marcus Garvey Park Playground	Signage.
Caroline Playground A	More types of equipment.	Bishop's Park Playground A	Equipment for 4-8yrs.
Edward Woods Playground A	Equipment for 4-8yrs.	Aspen Gardens Play Area	Potential for LAP. Seats. Signage.
Edward Woods Playground B	Signage.	Lillie Road Playground	Signage. Gate.
Edward Woods Playground C	Signage. 2 Gates.	Bayonne Road Estate Playground	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Signage.
South Park	Signage.	Margravine Playground B	More types of equipment. Signage.
Sullivan Court Playground	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Signage.	Field Road Estate Playground	Potential for NEAP if more equipment for older children and bike parking provided.
			Signage.

William Banfield Playground	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Signage.	Emlyn Gardens Playground	More types equipment. Signage.
Eel Brook Playground B	Equipment for 4-8yrs.	Bush Court Playground B	More types equipment. Seats. Signage. Enclosure.
Normand Park Playground B	Signage. Gate.	Wormwood Scrubs Playground A	Signage. Equipment for 4-8yrs. Potential for NEAP if right type equipment provided.
Ravenscourt Park Playground B	Equipment for 4-8yrs	Wormwood Scrubs Playground B	Signage. Gates.
Clem Atlee Playground A	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Seats. Signage.	Hammersmith Park Playground B	Signage. 2 gates.
Vanstone Place Playground	Equipment for 4-8yrs.	Sullivan Court Kickabout Area	Equipment for 4-8yrs. Signage. Seats. Gates.

Appendix 4

Information sources for desk-top investigations

Source	Document/dataset	Information contained	Date
Internal sources			
Environment Department	Aerial photos and ordnance survey map	Mapped in GIS, property boundary details and aerial photos of borough and some overlap into adjoining boroughs. Includes oblique photos of River Thames - Kew the Chelsea.	2003-2005
	Various GIS datasets	Road Accidents (2004), On-street Parking Stress (2004), Planning Applications (Mar 2005), PTAL (2004), Crime Densities (2003)	2003-2005
	Land use survey	Categorises different open spaces types, both public and private, including parks, playgrounds, tennis courts and squares. Mapped onto GIS.	2002/03
	<i>Parks Audits 2003</i>	Audits of 44 open spaces in the borough, carried out by DSD. Covers what facilities are in each site and what their condition is; needed/missing facilities; statistics on crime and anti-social behaviour and various people responsible for maintaining the space.	2003
	Grounds maintenance contracts	Grounds maintenance contracts for 54 parks/open spaces in borough maintained by DSD. Maps of each open space, showing boundaries. Some show facilities.	1999
	Survey of equipped playgrounds.	Excel spreadsheet and GIS map of playgrounds in the borough. Included details of equipment and age group catered for. Includes maps showing areas of playspace deficiency for 0-8yrs	1997
	<i>Imperial Wharf Park Consultation Survey</i>	Survey, stakeholder meetings and schools project identifying use of parks in the area and preferences for park facilities.	2003
Education Department	Spreadsheet	List of play sites for which Education Department is responsible.	2004
	Spreadsheet	List of council managed outdoor sports facilities in the borough, identifying type, location, numbers and booking arrangements.	2004
Housing Department	Spreadsheet	Basic list of play sites in council housing estates.	2004
Direct Services Division	<i>Disabled Access and Facilities Review for London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham Parks and Open Spaces</i> . Undertaken by Oakleaf Facilities.	Access audit of 36 parks in the borough. Provides schedule of suggested works to improve access to facilities in each park. Identifies how reasonable access to public transport and parking for disabled people is for each park. Does not give overall score for each park.	2003
	<i>Play Area Safety Inspection Report for London Borough Hammersmith and Fulham</i> . Carried out by RoSPA.	Annual safety audits of equipment, surfacing, and other site conditions of 34 playgrounds (in borough's parks). Includes details of equipment, assessment of suitability for disabled users and overall risk rating for playground.	2004

Source	Document/dataset	Information contained	Date
External Sources			
Major housing associations in the borough	Information gathered via telephone enquiries.	Details of types of children's play facilities provide on local estates.	2004
Groundwork West London	<i>Hammersmith and Fulham Regeneration: Improving Local Amenities Feasibility Study</i>	Audits of selected public playgrounds, parks and recreational facilities in the White City Regeneration Area, including details of main uses, facilities/equipment, access, ownership, management, condition, safety.	2001
	Spreadsheet	Details of Groundwork schemes which have improved/added play facilities in the borough over the past 5 years.	2004
Greater London Authority	<i>Strategic Parks - deficiency areas note</i>	Map and notes on indicative District Park deficiency levels across the borough, including number of people living within area of deficiency.	2004
Greenspace Information for Greater London (GIGL)	<i>Draft Framework Document</i>	Framework of the GIGL project, what it is, services it offers. Project will draw together information on biodiversity, habitat and open spaces in Greater London. The GLA Biodiversity Team's survey work will feed in.	2004
Other sources	UDPs of neighbouring boroughs.	Proposals maps showing designated open spaces and lists of sites of nature conservation importance.	2004/05
	Open spaces audit data from Kensington and Chelsea and Hounslow	Access dataset provided with information on public open spaces in borough over 0.4ha. Maps of open spaces and list of sites of nature conservation significance also provided by Hounslow Council.	2005
Websites			
www.lbhf.gov.uk	Hammersmith and Fulham Council	Various information on open spaces and sports facilities in the borough.	2004/05
www.rbkc.gov.uk	Royal Borough Kensington & Chelsea		2005
www.brent.gov.uk	Brent Council		2005
www.wandsworth.gov.uk	Wandsworth Council	Various information on open spaces, playgrounds and sports facilities in the borough, including location, facilities/equipment and booking requirements.	2005
www.ealing.gov.uk	Ealing Council		2005
www.richmond.gov.uk	LBorough of Richmond Upon Thames		2005
www.hounslow.gov.uk	Hounslow Council		2005
www.activeplaces.com	<i>Active Places</i> by Sports England		2004/05
www.reff.org.uk	<i>Register of English Football facilities</i>	Database of football facilities in the borough, including details on facilities. Unsure how comprehensive or up to date.	2005
www.londonplay.org.uk	London Play	Details of adventure playgrounds in the borough & Local Play Associations	2004
Other websites	Outdoor sports facilities	Various websites of individual outdoor sports facilities in and around the borough, providing information on facilities, membership, access, etc..	2004/05

Other reference documents

Title	Used for	Date
<i>Parks and Open Spaces - A Survey of residents in Hammersmith and Fulham.</i> LBHF	Background information. Project context.	1998
<i>Young People Speak Out! Views on Local Parks in Hammersmith and Fulham.</i> LBHF	Background information. Project context.	1998
<i>Guide to preparing Open Space Strategies. Best practice guidance of London Plan.</i> Mayor of London	Project context, scope and methodology.	2004
<i>Assessing Needs and Opportunities: Planning Policy Guidance 17 Companion Guide.</i> ODPM.	Project context, scope and methodology. Quality measures.	
<i>Draft Guide to preparing play strategies. Towards the provision of safe and attractive play spaces in London's neighbourhoods.</i> Mayor of London.	Project context, scope and methodology. Quality measures.	2004
<i>Towards a Level Playing Field: A Guide to the Production of Playing Pitch Strategies.</i> Sports England.	Project context, scope and methodology. Quality measures.	2003
<i>Green space strategies: a good practice guide.</i> CABI space.	Background information. Quality measures.	2004
<i>The Six Acre Standard: Minimum standards for outdoor playing space.</i> National Playing Fields Association.	Background information. Benchmarking. Standards relating to the design of playgrounds and outdoor sports facilities. Standard playground catchments.	2001

Appendix 5

Summary of open spaces in the borough

Name	Typology	Area (sqm)	Paddling Pool	Basketball Hoops	Play for Under 7yrs	Play for 7-13yrs	Sports Facilities	Skateboard Area	Seats	Toilet	Disabled Facilities	Signage	Kiosk	Bins	Dog Bins	Dog Exercise Area	Nature Trail	Aviary	Ampitheatre	Car Park	Bike Parking marked walking Trail	Cycle Path	Historic Features	Monuments	Public Art	Listed Building	Archaeology	Buildings of Merit	Other Facilities
Wormwood Scrubs	Common	678690			Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y		Y				Y	Y	Y						Y	
Kensal Green Cemetery	Cemetery	284330							Y			Y		Y						Y			Y	Y		Y		Y	
Ravenscourt Park	Park	133919	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y						Y			Y		Y	
Bishop's Park	Park	113319	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y				Y	Y			Y	Y	Y	
St Mary's Cemetery	Cemetery	105872							Y					Y						Y			Y			Y			
Little Wormwood Scrubs	Common	88224			Y		Y		Y			Y		Y	Y	Y				Y								Y	
South Park	Park	79985		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y	Y	Y		Y					Y				Y	Y	
Hurlingham Park	Park	79743			Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	Y				Y	Y		Y			Y		Y	
Hammersmith Cemetery	Cemetery	65872							Y					Y						Y			Y			Y		Y	
Fulham Palace Grounds	Formal Garden	57357							Y			Y								Y			Y		Y	Y		Y	
Eel Brook Common	Common	57314			Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Y		Y	Y	Y						Y						Y	
Fulham Cemetery	Cemetery	51595							Y					Y									Y				Y		
Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Park	34892			Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y	Y	Y											Y		
Imperial Wharf River Parkland A	Park	32823								Y	Y																		
Shepherd's Bush Common	Common	31866			Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y					Y	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Wormholt Park	Park	30680		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y	Y	Y													
Hammersmith Park	Park	29780	Y		Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y		Y					Y		Y	Y	Y			Y	
Normand Park	Park	24864			Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y	Y	Y				Y								Y	
Brook Green	Common	19454			Y	Y	Y		Y	Y		Y		Y	Y	Y						Y							
Wendell Park	Park	17307		Y	Y	Y			Y			Y		Y	Y	Y													
Furnival Gardens	Park	16708							Y	Y		Y		Y									Y	Y		Y		Y	
Frank Banfield Park	Park	12552							Y					Y		Y													
Bayonne Park	Park	11823												Y							Y							Y	
Parsons Green	Common	10417							Y			Y		Y	Y														
William Parnell Park	Park	10255			Y	Y			Y			Y		Y											Y				
Imperial Wharf Railway Parkland	Park	9449								Y	Y																		
Norland North Open Space	Park	9414			Y	Y	Y		Y					Y															
Old Oak Common Nature Area	Nature Reserve	8524							Y			Y					Y												
Cathnor Park	Park	8211		Y	Y	Y			Y			Y		Y					Y	Y						Y		Y	
All Saints Church Grounds	Churchyard	8006												Y									Y			Y	Y		

Name	Typology	Area (sqm)	Paddling Pool	Basketball Hoops	Play for Under 7yrs	Play for 7-13yrs	Sports Facilities	Skateboard Area	Seats	Toilet	Disabled Facilities	Signage	Kiosk	Bins	Dog Bins	Dog Exercise Area	Nature Trail	Aviary	Amphitheatre	Car Park	Bike Parking marked walking Trail	Cycle Path	Historic Features	Monuments	Public Art	Listed Building	Archaeology	Buildings of Merit	Other Facilities
St Paul's Green	Park	7714							Y					Y									Y			Y			
Brompton Park	Park	7563										Y		Y						Y									
St Peter's Square	Garden Square	7034							Y			Y		Y	Y								Y	Y		Y			
The Link - BBC Media Village	Civic Space	6796							Y					Y							Y								
Edward Woods Estate B	Park	6343			Y	Y			Y					Y															
St Paul's Open Space	Park	6252							Y			Y		Y												Y		Y	
Marcus Garvey Park	Park	5470		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y	Y	Y			Y						Y				
BBC Media Village Park	Amenity Greenspace	5211							Y					Y							Y								
Chelsea Harbour Pubic Domain	Civic Space	4815										Y		Y										Y					
Novotel Podium	Civic Space	4061																			Y								
Empress State Forecourt	Civic Space	3449							Y					Y							Y							Y	
Rowberry Mead	Park	3041		Y	Y	Y	Y							Y															
Stevenage Park	Pocket Greenspace	3024																											
North Pole Open Space	Common	2856												Y															
Gwendwr Gardens	Formal Garden	2806							Y			Y		Y									Y	Y				Y	
Bentworth Road Open Space	Park	2764							Y					Y															
Upper Mall Open Space	Park	2761			Y				Y				Y	Y														Y	
Margravine Gardens	Children/Teenagers Space	2518			Y	Y	Y		Y			Y		Y															
St Mary's Church	Churchyard	2247							Y			Y		Y														Y	
Thames Path Open Space	Park	2023																											
Hammersmith Town Hall Forecourt	Civic Space	1985							Y			Y									Y				Y	Y			
Starch Green	Pocket Greenspace	1828							Y					Y															
Lyric Square	Civic Space	1761												Y											Y			Y	
Vicarage Gardens	Park	1715							Y			Y		Y									Y		Y			Y	
Canal Gasworks Nature Conservn Area	Nature Reserve	1684							Y																Y				
West Kensington Estate - Churchward	Amenity Greenspace	1648							Y			Y																	
Novotel - Shortlands	Amenity Greenspace	1638																											
Imperial Wharf River Parkland B	Civic Space	1536							Y	Y	Y														Y				
St Johns Open Space	Churchyard	1501			Y							Y		Y									Y			Y			

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Gwendwr Gardens Annexe	Pocket Greenspace	1493							Y			Y		Y		Y													
Great West Road Open Space C	Road Island/Verge	1284																											
Godolphin Community Gardens	Community Garden	1183			Y				Y			Y		Y											Y			Y	
Talgarth Road Open Space	Road Island/Verge	1154							Y																				
Loris Road Community Garden	Community Garden	1114			Y							Y		Y	Y										Y				
St Peter's Church Hammersmith	Churchyard	1083							Y			Y		Y									Y			Y			
Old Oak Centre	Outdoor Sports Facility	1074				Y	Y																						
Westcroft Square	Garden Square	1072							Y			Y		Y															
North Verbena Gardens	Pocket Greenspace	1048							Y					Y										Y					
Wandon Road Open Space	Civic Space	1028							Y					Y															
Great West Road Open Space A	Road Island/Verge	986																											
Berestede Road Open Space	Pocket Greenspace	947							Y			Y																	
Apollo Forecourt	Civic Space	946																											
Queen Caroline Estate C	Amenity Greenspace	942			Y				Y																				
Wormholt Community Centre	Amenity Greenspace	792							Y																			Y	
Rewell Street Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	754																											
Lillie Road Open Space	Civic Space	752							Y																				
Imperial Square	Civic Space	679																											
Pioneer Way Open Space	Pocket Greenspace	653							Y																				
Baron's Court Library	Amenity Greenspace	595												Y							Y								
Jerdan Place	Civic Space	591										Y		Y															
Reporton Road Open Space	Civic Space	542							Y																				
Great West Road Open Space F	Road Island/Verge	538																											
St Andrew's Church Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	532							Y			Y											Y				Y		
Mary Seacole Memorial Park	Pocket Greenspace	492							Y			Y												Y				Y	
Great West Road Open Space D	Road Island/Verge	425																											
Willow Bank Open Space	Civic Space	411												Y															
Novotel Ground	Civic Space	411							Y																				
Thames Wharf Open Space	Pocket Greenspace	394							Y												Y				Y				
Richmond Way Open Space	Civic Space	392							Y					Y															
BBC Dorando Space	Civic Space	385							Y												Y								

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Name	Typology	Area (sqm)																											
Polish Church	Churchyard	383							Y					Y									Y	Y				Y	
Lyons Walk Open Space	Civic Space	337							Y					Y							Y		Y						
Sands End Lane Open Space	Civic Space	321																											
Adam Walk Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	316																											
Edith Road Pocket	Pocket greenspace	257						Y																					
Maxwell Road Open Space	Children/Teenagers Space	256			Y						Y																		
Great West Road Open Space E	Road Island/Verge	252																											
Lower Mall Open Space	Civic Space	215							Y					Y															
St Peter's Road Open Space	Civic Space	157							Y					Y															
Edith Road Open Space	Civic Space	147																		Y									
Paddenswick Road Open Space	Civic Space	109							Y					Y															
Chelsea Harbour Path	Civic Space	3690							Y					Y										Y					
Crabtree Lane to Fulham FC	Thames Path	5175							Y			Y		Y	Y									Y	Y				
Chelsea Harbour	Thames Path	4042							Y					Y															
Lower Mall	Thames Path	3271							Y												Y	Y						Y	Y
Chancellors Road to Colwith Rd	Thames Path	2716							Y					Y	Y					Y									
William Morris Way	Thames Path	2657							Y					Y															
Willowbank Way	Thames Path	2272							Y					Y															
Wandsworth Bridge	Thames Path	2154							Y					Y															
Upper Mall	Thames Path	1730							Y					Y															
Carnwath Road to Patrofina Wharf	Thames Path	926							Y					Y															
Chancellors Wharf to Riverside Studios	Thames Path	750												Y															
Grand Union Canal Tow Path A	Canalside Green Corridor	16695							Y					Y															
River Thames A	Waterspace	1502699																								Y		Y	Y
Grand Union Canal A	Waterspace	29715																											

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White City Estate	Amenity Greenspace	45819			Y	Y	Y	Y												Y			Y						
Sulivan Court	Amenity Greenspace	25416			Y	Y	Y					Y								Y			Y						
Clem Atlee Estate	Amenity Greenspace	16469			Y	Y	Y																						
Lancaster Court Estate	Amenity Greenspace	13102			Y	Y	Y																						
Wormholt Estate	Amenity Greenspace	12715																											
West Kensington Estate	Amenity Greenspace	10865			Y			Y			Y			Y															
Batman Close Estate	Amenity Greenspace	8860																											
Charing Cross Hospital Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	8684						Y			Y		Y							Y				Y	Y				
Aintree Estate A	Amenity Greenspace	6700					Y																						
Edward Woods Estate A	Amenity Greenspace	4169																											
Tent Site	Vacant Land	4136																											
Hammersmith Hospital Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	2409						Y						Y						Y				Y	Y			Y	
St Katheene's Church	Amenity Greenspace	2181			Y	Y																							
Old Oak Open Space	Vacant Land	1742																											
Field Road Estate B	Amenity Greenspace	1617																											
Ashcroft Square A	Amenity Greenspace	1346						Y						Y															
Great West Road Open Space B	Road Island/Verge	1097																											
Colehill Gardens	Garden Square	845						Y						Y															
Pulton Place Open Space	Children/Teenagers Space	444			Y	Y	Y																						
Our Lady of Fatimer Church	Amenity Greenspace	430																											
West Kensington Residents Association	Amenity Greenspace	359							Y																				
Queen Caroline Estate Garden	Amenity Greenspace	340						Y						Y															
Bloemfontein Road Open Space	Road Island/Verge	307																											
Townmead Road Open Space	Road Island/Verge	293																											
St Nicholas Greek Cathedral	Amenity Greenspace	286																										Y	
St Dionis' Church	Amenity Greenspace	192																							Y				
Cromwell Avenue Verge	Road Island/Verge	160																											
St Matthew's Church	Amenity Greenspace	105																											
Latymer Prep School B	Amenity Greenspace	100						Y																	Y				

Open Spaces with Limited Public Access																													
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Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Outdoor Sports Facility	49519				Y	Y		Y	Y			Y							Y									
Burlington Danes School Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	46485				Y	Y													Y						Y			
St Paul's Girls School Playing Field	Outdoor Sports Facility	17520				Y	Y			Y										Y									
Pheonix High School B	School Yard	11661				Y	Y		Y	Y										Y									
Parsons Green Club	Outdoor Sports Facility	9911					Y		Y	Y			Y	Y															
Fulham Cross School	Outdoor Sports Facility	7496				Y	Y		Y					Y						Y									Y
Wormwood Scrubs Pony Centre	Outdoor Sports Facility	6997																											
St Paul's Girls School Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	3627								Y										Y									
Brook Green Tennis Club	Outdoor Sports Facility	3078																		Y									
Hartwood Tennis Club	Outdoor Sports Facility	2896					Y		Y	Y			Y							Y									
RC Church	Churchyard	2183																					Y			Y			
White City Centre	Children/Teenagers Space	2178			Y	Y			Y	Y																			
St John's Church	Churchyard	1539																		Y			Y	Y		Y			
Fulham Centre	Children/Teenagers Space	1435			Y	Y						Y		Y															
Distillery Centre	Children/Teenagers Space	1345			Y	Y			Y	Y		Y		Y															
Coningham Centre Grounds	Children/Teenagers Space	1083			Y	Y																							
Castle Centre	Children/Teenagers Space	884																								Y			
St Stephen Church	Churchyard	821																								Y			
The Brunswick Club	Children/Teenagers Space	717				Y				Y																			
Fulham Cross Centre	Children/Teenagers Space	688				Y	Y																						
Sands End Adventure Playground	Children/Teenagers Space	665				Y			Y	Y																			
Sands End Playhouse	Children/Teenagers Space	613			Y	Y			Y																				
St Etheldreda Church	Amenity Greenspace	415																											
St Peter's Church Fulham	Amenity Greenspace	378																					Y	Y				Y	
Bradmore Centre	Children/Teenagers Space	335			Y	Y																							

Open Spaces with Restricted Public Access			Play for Under 7yrs	Play for 7-13yrs	Sports Facilities	Car Park
Name	Typology	Area (sqm)				
Hurlingham Club	Outdoor Sports Facility	133979			Y	Y
The Queen's Club	Outdoor Sports Facility	28377			Y	Y
Randolph Beresford Early Years Centr	Children's Space	5115	Y			Y
College Hall Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	2733				Y
Wakefield Centre	Back Garden Land	1357				
Red X: Hammersmith & Fulham Centr	Amenity Greenspace	1259				
Askham Family Centre Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	1232	Y	Y		Y
Cavendish House	Amenity Greenspace	953				
The Yacht Club Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	759				
Stamford Bridge	Outdoor Sports Facility	8735			Y	Y
Craven Cottage	Outdoor Sports Facility	8085			Y	
Loftus Road Football Ground	Outdoor Sports Facility	7274			Y	
Barton Court Midblock Open Space	Mid-block Greenspace	1814				
Greswell Centre Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	1129		Y	Y	
Mid Block Open Space Fulham	Back Garden Land	1044				
Rutland Grove Greenspace	Back Garden Land	848				
Hammersmith Embankment Greenspa	Amenity Greenspace	4342				
BBC Media Village Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	4228				
The Palace Kids Active Playhouse	Children/Teenagers Space	2430	Y	Y		
Brook Green Day Nursery	Amenity Greenspace	1204	Y			
Ollgar Close Day Nursery Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	924	Y			
Sure Start Coningham Centre Garden	Children/Teenagers Space	661	Y			
Stamford Hospital Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	5531				Y
Shepherd's Bush Library	Amenity Greenspace	263				
The Warren	Allotment	58428				
Chelsea Harbour	Waterspace	6697				
Nazareth House	Amenity Greenspace	6685				
Old Oak Estate	Road Island/Verge	13147				
Bayonne Park Estate	Amenity Greenspace	8998	Y	Y	Y	
Du Cane Road Estate	Amenity Greenspace	8966				
Fulham Court Estate	Amenity Greenspace	8826	Y	Y	Y	
Riverside Greenspace	Amenity Greenspace	8604				
Queens Club Gardens	Garden Square	6324			Y	
Napier Court	Amenity Greenspace	6114				
Field Road Estate A	Amenity Greenspace	5813	Y	Y	Y	
Queen Caroline Estate B	Amenity Greenspace	5776	Y			
Emlyn Gardens Association Allotments	Allotment	5573				
Gibbs Green Estate	Amenity Greenspace	5493	Y	Y	Y	
Flora Gardens Estate	Amenity Greenspace	5416				
Bulow Estate	Amenity Greenspace	5326				
Robert Owen House	Amenity Greenspace	5111		Y	Y	
Becklow Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	5090	Y	Y	Y	
Regent on the River Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	4958				
Spring Vale Estate	Amenity Greenspace	4905				

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Name	Typology	Area (sqm)	Play for Under 7yrs	Play for 7-13yrs	Sports Facilities	Car Park
Kelmscott Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	4901				
Alice Gilliatt Court	Amenity Greenspace	4717	Y	Y	Y	
Bush Court Amenity Deck	Amenity Greenspace	4633	Y	Y		
Emlyn Gardens Estate	Amenity Greenspace	4576	Y			Y
William Church Estate	Amenity Greenspace	4508	Y			Y
Peabody Estate Wormholt	Amenity Greenspace	4369	Y	Y	Y	
Ollgar Close Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	4121				
Colet Gardens Estate	Amenity Greenspace	3963				
River Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	3819				
Cheesemans Estate	Amenity Greenspace	3650	Y	Y		
Lytton Estate - Clifford/Falkland House	Amenity Greenspace	3604				
All Saints Vicarage and Hall	Back Garden Land	3520				
Vitae Apartments Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	3517				
St Augustine's Primary School	School Yard	3458		Y		
Barons Keep	Amenity Greenspace	3415				
Lytton Estate - Pelham House	Amenity Greenspace	3252	Y			
Queen Caroline Estate A	Amenity Greenspace	3131	Y			
Aspen Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	3120	Y			
Linacre Court	Amenity Greenspace	2991	Y			
The Vineyard	Amenity Greenspace	2888				
Sir Oswald Stoll Foundation	Amenity Greenspace	2881				Y
Ashlar Court Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	2768				
Sir John Lillie School	School Yard	2746		Y		
Samels Court	Amenity Greenspace	2698				
Askham Court Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	2543				
Grey Turner/O'Driscoll Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	2513	Y	Y		
Sulgrave Gardens Estate	Amenity Greenspace	2501				
Edward Woods Estate C	Amenity Greenspace	2414	Y	Y		
Farm Lane Nursing Home	Amenity Greenspace	2352				
Townmead Estate	Amenity Greenspace	2320		Y	Y	
Lytton Estate: Samuel Richardson Hou	Amenity Greenspace	2302	Y	Y	Y	
Aldine Court	Amenity Greenspace	2277				
Ethel Rankin Court	Amenity Greenspace	2217	Y	Y		
Wood Lane Estate	Amenity Greenspace	2215	Y			
Queen Charlotte Housing	Amenity Greenspace	2074				
Marryat Court	Amenity Greenspace	2054				
Woodford/Roseford Court Amenity Dek	Amenity Greenspace	2016	Y	Y		
Tudor/Stuart/Balmoral/Regents House	Amenity Greenspace	1975				
Charcroft Court	Amenity Greenspace	1963				
Frithville Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	1961				
Arthur Henderson/William Banfield Ho	Amenity Greenspace	1936	Y			
Colehill Gardens Allotments	Allotment	1913				
Christ Church Vicarge	Back Garden Land	1807				
Arlington House	Amenity Greenspace	1798				
Manor Court	Amenity Greenspace	1725				
Underwood House	Amenity Greenspace	1724				

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Name	Typology	Area (sqm)				
Coningham Road Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1719				
Lytton Estate - Burne Jones House	Amenity Greenspace	1705				
Seagrave Road Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1628				
Banim Street Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1626				
Hayter House	Amenity Greenspace	1601	Y	Y		
St Matthew's Vicarge	Amenity Greenspace	1585				
Meadowbank Close Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1514				
Westville Road Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1481				
Sir William Powell's Almshouses	Amenity Greenspace	1418				
Philpot Square	Amenity Greenspace	1294	Y			
Fulham Road Housing Land	Back Garden Land	1243				
Ranelagh Gardens Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1227				
Elizabeth Finn House	Amenity Greenspace	1222				
Maltings Place Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	1214				
Stowe Road Estate	Amenity Greenspace	1190				
The Tamworth Project	Amenity Greenspace	1161				
Peterhouse Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	1154				
North End House	Garden Square	1137				
Clem Atlee Estate Garden	Amenity Greenspace	1056				
Guinness Trust Estate	Children/Teenagers Space	953	Y	Y	Y	
William Morris House	Amenity Greenspace	945	Y			
The Grampians	Amenity Greenspace	902				
Osram Court	Amenity Greenspace	886	Y			
Peabody Estate Fulham	Outdoor Sports Facility	884				
Chambon Place Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	862	Y			
Lygon House	Amenity Greenspace	860				
Bulow Estate - Jepson House Gardens	Amenity Greenspace	851				
Mylne Close	Amenity Greenspace	823				
Aintree Estate B	Amenity Greenspace	793				
Woodmans Mews Garden	Amenity Greenspace	777	Y			
The Square	Garden Square	747				
Carnwath Road Estate	Amenity Greenspace	716				
Swanbank Court Open Space	Amenity Greenspace	709				
Lytton Estate - Glenalian House	Amenity Greenspace	688				
Granville House	Amenity Greenspace	671				
Lytton Estate - Mortimer House	Amenity Greenspace	611	Y			
Brightwells	Amenity Greenspace	594				
Clifford Haigh House	Amenity Greenspace	588				
Samuel Lewis Trust Estate	Children/Teenagers Space	565	Y			
Norcroft Court	Amenity Greenspace	561	Y			Y
Malvern Court Communal Garden	Amenity Greenspace	526				
Lytton Estate: Samuel Richardson Hou	Amenity Greenspace	500				
Peabody Estate Hammersmith	Outdoor Sports Facility	487		Y	Y	
Ashcroft Square B	Outdoor Sports Facility	464		Y		
Octavia Housing Site	Amenity Greenspace	452	Y			
Queen Charlotte Housing Play Area	Children/Teenagers Space	358	Y	Y		
Malvern Court Greenspace	Amenity Greenspace	342				
Broxholme House	Children/Teenagers Space	321	Y			

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Granville Place	Amenity Greenspace	278				
Riverside Gardens	Outdoor Sports Facility	258			Y	
Lisgar Terrace Estate	Children/Teenagers Space	257	Y	Y	Y	
Gurney Road Open Space	Children/Teenagers Space	246	Y			
Rainville Court Greenspace	Amenity Greenspace	226				
Latymer School Playing Fields	Outdoor Sports Facility	40825		Y	Y	Y
Pheonix High School A	Amenity Greenspace	13725				Y
Hammersmith College	Amenity Greenspace	10131			Y	Y
Godolphin and Latymer School	Outdoor Sports Facility	9627		Y	Y	Y
Compton Secondary School	School Yard	9510		Y	Y	
The London Oratory School	School Yard	7414				Y
Canberra Primary School A	School Yard	6367				
Laremenier and Sacred Hearts School	Amenity Greenspace	6079	Y			Y
Sacred Heart High School Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	5647		Y	Y	Y
Flora Gardens Primary School B	Amenity Greenspace	5413	Y			
Peterborough Primary School	School Yard	5194	Y	Y		
Wormholt Park Primary School	School Yard	4930	Y	Y		Y
Sullivan Primary School A	School Yard	4543	Y	Y		Y
All Saints School	School Yard	4494		Y		Y
Normand Croft Community School	School Yard	4416	Y			Y
St Paul's Primary School	School Yard	4043	Y	Y		
Old Oak Primary School	Civic Space	3751				
Brackenbury Primary School	School Yard	3578	Y	Y		
Wood Lane School Grounds	School Yard	3385		Y	Y	Y
Gibbs Green School	Amenity Greenspace	3223		Y		Y
Pope John RC Primary School	School Yard	2984	Y	Y		
Fulham Primary School	School Yard	2923		Y		
Melcombe School	School Yard	2845	Y	Y		
Marist Convent School	School Yard	2586	Y	Y		
New Kings Primary School	School Yard	2586	Y	Y		
Latymer Upper School Grounds	School Yard	2563		Y	Y	Y
Greenside Primary School A	Amenity Greenspace	2502	Y			Y
Queens Manor Primary School A	School Yard	2395	Y	Y		Y
Addison Primary School	School Yard	2386	Y			
Sullivan Primary School B	Amenity Greenspace	2367				Y
Canberra Primary School B	Amenity Greenspace	2359	Y	Y		Y
Holborn College Grounds	School Yard	2358		Y		Y
St Mary's Primary School	School Yard	2252	Y	Y		
Langford Primary School	School Yard	2227	Y			
Parsons Green School	School Yard	2172	Y	Y		Y
Miles Coverdale Primary School	School Yard	2136	Y	Y		Y
Lady Margaret School B	Outdoor Sports Facility	2099		Y		Y
Avonmore Primary School	School Yard	2035	Y	Y		
Cambridge School B	School Yard	2024		Y	Y	
Queens Manor Primary School B	Amenity Greenspace	1886				Y
Kenmont Primary School	School Yard	1864	Y	Y		
Lena Gardens Primary School	School Yard	1846	Y			
Larmenier Infants School	Amenity Greenspace	1844	Y			
St Thomas' School A	School Yard	1804	Y	Y		

Open Spaces with Restricted Public Access			Play for Under 7yrs	Play for 7-13yrs	Sports Facilities	Car Park
Name	Typology	Area (sqm)				
Wendell Park Primary School	School Yard	1782	Y	Y		
Greenside Primary School B	School Yard	1687	Y	Y		Y
John Betts School	School Yard	1619	Y	Y		
St Johns School	School Yard	1598				
Good Shepherd Primary School	School Yard	1542	Y	Y		
St Stephen Primary School A	School Yard	1514	Y	Y		
Eridge Nursery	Amenity Greenspace	1475	Y			
Bentworth Primary School B	School Yard	1463	Y	Y		Y
Lady Margaret School A	Amenity Greenspace	1458				Y
St Peter's School	School Yard	1273	Y			
Flora Gardens Primary School A	School Yard	1242	Y			
Ravenscourt Park Prep School	School Yard	1131	Y			
Cambridge School A	Amenity Greenspace	1114				
The Bridge Academy	School Yard	1062	Y	Y		
Latymer Prep School A	Amenity Greenspace	945				
St Stephen Primary School B	Amenity Greenspace	859				
St James' Independent School	School Yard	805		Y		
John Aird School	School Yard	775	Y	Y		Y
Bentworth Primary School A	Amenity Greenspace	555				
Chelsea School of Design Greenspace	Amenity Greenspace	491				Y
Church of England School	School Yard	409	Y	Y		
St Thomas' School B	Amenity Greenspace	382				
Temple Lodge Garden	Back Garden Land	938				
Paragon Centre Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	819				

Open Spaces with No Public Access		
Name	Typology	Area (sqm)
Sidings - West London Line	Railway Embankment	94603
Sidings - Old Oak Common	Railway Embankment	80020
Sidings - Central Line	Railway Embankment	43518
Imperial Road Vacant Land A	Vacant Land	29146
Chelsea Creek Vacant Land	Vacant Land	18752
Hammersmith Embankment Vacant	Vacant Land	18702
White City Shopping Centre	Construction Site	17141
Sidings - District Line B	Railway Embankment	14446
Westway Vacant Land	Construction Site	11791
Imperial Road Vacant Land B	Vacant Land	8192
BBC Media Village Vacant Land	Vacant Land	6881
Bloemfontein Road Vacant Land	Vacant Land	5540
Holland Park Roundabout	Road Island/Verge	3748
Hammersmith Broadway Land	Construction Site	3669
Normand Park Community School	Construction Site	3602
West Kensington Business Estate	Amenity Greenspace	3457
Sidings - District Line A	Railway Embankment	3248
Former British Gas Pond	Waterspace	2557

Sidings - District Line C	Railway Embankment	2177
Windsor Plaza	Amenity Greenspace	2169
Stamford House Grounds	Amenity Greenspace	2033
West Kensington Scrub	Road Island/Verge	2031
White City Centre Affordable Housing	Construction Site	1928
Fulham Palace Road Vacant Land	Vacant Land	1534
Blythe House	Amenity Greenspace	1532
Sycamore House	Amenity Greenspace	1057
Hammersmith Road Verges	Road Island/Verge	1020
Addison Gardens Open Space	Mid-block Greenspace	717
Rockley Court Greenspace	Amenity Greenspace	681
Dalling Road Open Space	Road Island/Verge	553
Uxbridge Road Greenspace	Amenity Greenspace	450
Imperial Wharf Open Space	Vacant Land	437
Shepherd's Bush Road Vacant Land	Vacant Land	322
Rockley Road Greenspace	Vacant Land	210
Shepherd's Bush Place	Civic Space	183
Lytton Estate	Amenity Greenspace	133

Appendix 6

Summary of outdoor sports facilities in the borough

Outdoor Sports Facilities with Unrestricted Public Access

Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Hurlingham Athletics Facility	Hurlingham Park	Athletics track/field	1	Athletics	Full	Grass				Y		Y	Y	Y
Linford Christie Track and Field Centre	Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Athletics track/field	1	Athletics	Full	Artificial		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Margravine Court	Margravine Gardens	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Junior	Artificial		Y	Y					
Ravenscourt Park Basketball Area	Ravenscourt Park	Basketball/Netball Court	2	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y						
South Park Ball Court B	South Park	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Basketball	Y						
New Zealand Way Court	White City Estate	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y				Y		
Eel Brook Common Courts	Eel Brook Common	Basketball/Netball Court	2	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Football	Y	Y					
Wormwood Scrubs Court	Wormwood Scrubs	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y				Y		Y
Hammersmith Park Court	Hammersmith Park	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y						Y
Lillie Road Court	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Tennis	Y						
South Park Ball Court A	South Park	Basketball/Netball Court	3	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Football	Y	Y	Y		Y		
Normand Park Bowling Green	Normand Park	Bowling Green	1	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y		Y		
Ravenscourt Park Bowls Club	Ravenscourt Park	Bowling Green	1	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y				
Bishop's Bowling Greens	Bishops Park	Bowling Green	2	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y		Y		Y
Hurlingham Bowling Green	Hurlingham Park	Bowling Green	1	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y			Y	Y
Wormholt Cricket Nets	Wormholt Park	Cricket Nets	5	Cricket		Artificial								
Norland North Court	Norland North Open Space	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y					
Marcus Garvey Park Court	Marcus Garvey Park	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y				Y		
Rowberry Mead Court	Rowberry Mead	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y						
Cathnor Park Court	Cathnor Park	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y					Y
Becklow Gardens Court	Becklow Gardens	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y					
Old Oak Centre Court	Wormwood Scrubs	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Tennis	Y	Y					
Wormholt Ball Court	Wormholt Park	Multi-Games Court	1	Multi	Mini	Artificial		Y						
Hurlingham Games Court A	Hurlingham Park	Multi-Games Court	1	Multi	?	Artificial		Y					Y	Y
South Park Cricket Square B	South Park	Pitch	1	Cricket	Full	Grass								
South Park Cricket Square A	South Park	Pitch	1	Cricket	Full	Grass								
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch D	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass				Y			Y	
Ravenscourt Park Pitch	Ravenscourt Park	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Hockey	Y						
Hurlingham All-Weather Pitch	Hurlingham Park	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Hockey	Y					Y	Y

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Linford Christie 5-a-side	Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Pitch	4	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y	Y	Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch E	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch C	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Junior	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch H	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch L	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch J	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
South Park Soccer Pitch B	South Park	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass								
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch A	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Hurlingham Pitch B	Hurlingham Park	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y	Y		Y	Y
Hurlingham Pitch A	Hurlingham Park	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y	Y		Y	Y
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch I	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Hammersmith Park All-Weather Pitch	Hammersmith Park	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Artificial		Y	Y					Y
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch K	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch F	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch G	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Linford Christie Pitch B	Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Artificial	Hockey	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	
South Park Soccer Pitch A	South Park	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass								
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch M	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch B	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Football	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Hurlingham Practice Area	Hurlingham Park	Pitch	2			Grass			Y	Y			Y	Y
Hurlingham Pitch D	Hurlingham Park	Pitch	1	Rugby	Full	Grass				Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch O	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Rugby	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch P	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Rugby	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
Hurlingham Pitch C	Hurlingham Park	Pitch	1	Rugby	Full	Grass				Y	Y		Y	Y
Wormwood Scrubs Pitch N	Wormwood Scrubs	Pitch	1	Rugby	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
South Park Playing Field A	South Park	Playing field (no pitch)	1	?	Full	Grass								
Bishop's Park Playing Field	Bishop's Park	Playing field (no pitch)	1	?	Full	Grass	Cricket		Y					
Hammersmith Park Tennis Courts	Hammersmith Park	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						Y

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Bishop's Tennis Courts	Bishops Park	Tennis Court	15	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y				Y		
Eel Brook Tennis Courts	Eel Brook Common	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						
Shepherd's Bush Green Courts	Shepherd's Bush Green	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						
South Park Tenna Courts	South Park	Tennis Court	6	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						
Ravenscourt Park Courts B	Ravenscourt Park	Tennis Court	4	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						
Brook Green Courts	Brook Green	Tennis Court	4	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y		Y				
Ravenscourt Park Courts A	Ravenscourt Park	Tennis Court	3	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						
Linford Christie Courts	Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y		Y			Y	
Hurlingham Tennis Courts	Hurlingham Park	Tennis Court	3	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y				Y	Y	Y
Normand Park Tennis courts	Normand Park	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y		Y			Y	
Wormholt Tennis Courts	Wormholt Park	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y						
Queen Caroline Court	Queen Caroline Estate	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y						

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Parsons Green Bowling Greens	Parsons Green Club	Bowling Green	2	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y				
Parsons Green Croquet Lawns	Parsons Green Club	Croquet Lawn	2	Croquet	Full	Grass				Y				
Parsons Green Club Tennis Courts A	Parsons Green Club	Tennis Court	3	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y	Y	Y				
Hartwood Tennis Club	Hartwood Tennis Club	Tennis Court	6	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y	Y	Y			Y	
Brook Green Tennis Club Courts	Brook Green Tennis Club	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	?		Y		Y			Y	
The Brunswick Club Pitch	The Brunswick Club	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y		Y			Y	
Parsons Green Club Tennis Courts B	Parsons Green Club	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial		Y		Y				
Hammersmith Bowling Green	Hammersmith Park	Bowling Green	1	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y		Y		Y
Fulham Cross Centre Court	Fulham Cross Centre	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	?	Artificial		Y	Y					
Coningham Centre Pitch	Coningham Centre	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y						
Facilities in school sites														
St Paul's Girls Athletics Field	St Paul's Girls School Playing Field	Athletics track/field	1	Athletics	Junior	Grass				Y		Y	Y	
Phoenix High School Court A	Pheonix High School	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	
Fulham Cross School Pitch	Fulham Cross School	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Hockey	Y		Y		Y	Y	
St Paul's Girls Pitch A	St Paul's Girls School Playing Field	Pitch	1	Lacrosse	Junior	Grass				Y		Y	Y	
St Paul's Girls Pitch B	St Paul's Girls School Playing Field	Pitch	1	Lacrosse	Junior	Grass				Y		Y	Y	
Burlington Danes Sch Playing Field	Burlington Danes School Grounds	Playing Fields	1	Multi	Variou s	Grass				Y	Y	Y	Y	
Phoenix High School Court B	Pheonix High School	Tennis Court	2	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Netball	Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	
St Paul's Girls Courts C	St Paul's Girls School Grounds	Tennis Court	3	Tennis	Full	Grass				Y			Y	
St Paul's Girls Courts A	St Paul's Girls School Playing Field	Tennis Court	6	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Netball	Y		Y			Y	
Burlington Danes School Courts	Burlington Danes School Grounds	Tennis Court	8	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Netbl/Ftbal I	Y		Y			Y	
St Paul's Girls Courts B	St Paul's Girls School Grounds	Tennis Court	3	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Basketball	Y		Y			Y	

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Phoenix High School Court C	Pheonix High School	Tennis Court	1	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Basketball	Y		Y	Y		Y	

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Hurlingham Club Bowling Greens	Hurlingham Club	Bowling Green	2	Lawn Bowls	Full	Grass				Y				Y
Hurlingham Club Croquet Lawns	Hurlingham Club	Croquet Lawn	6	Croquet	Full	Grass				Y				Y
Hurlingham Club Cricket Ground	Hurlingham Club	Pitch	1	Cricket	Full	Grass				Y		Y		Y
Hurlingham Club Putting Green	Hurlingham Club	Putting Green	1	Mini Golf	Full	Grass				Y				Y
Hurlingham Club Swimmng Pools	Hurlingham Club	Swimming pool	2	Swimming	Full	-				Y				Y
Hurlingham Club Tennis Courts	Hurlingham Club	Tennis Court	41	Tennis	Full	Mixed				Y				Y
The Queen's Club	The Queen's Club	Tennis Court	28	Tennis	Full	mixed		Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Loftus Road Stadium	Loftus Road Football Ground	Stadium	1	Football	Full	Grass			Y	Y		Y		
Craven Cottage Stadium	Craven Cottage	Stadium	1	Football	Full	Grass			Y	Y		Y		
Stamford Bridge Stadium	Stamford Bridge	Stadium	1	Football	Full	Grass		Y	Y	Y		Y		Y
Greswell Centre Court	Greswell Centre	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Mini	Artificial		Y						Y
Linford Christie Pitch	Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Pitch	1	Rugby	Full	Grass	Football	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Riverside Gardens Court	Riverside Gardens	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Mini	Artificial		Y						Y
Pulton Place Court	Pulton Place Open Space	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Mini	Artificial		Y						
Field Road Estate Court	Field Road Estate	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Mini	Artificial		Y						
Bayonne Park Estate Court	Bayonne Park Estate	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Football	Y	Y					
Peabody Fulham Court	Peabody Estate Fulham	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y						
Allice Gilliatt Games Court	Allice Gilliatt Court	Multi-Games Court	1	?	Full	Artificial		Y						
Townmead Estate Court	Townmead Estate	Multi-Games Court	1	?	?	Artificial								
Wood Lane Community Centre Court	Wood Lane Estate	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y						
Cleverly Estate Court	Peabody Estate Wormholt	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y			Y		
Robert Owen Court	Robert Owen House Estate	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y		Y			
Ashcroft Square Court	Ashcroft Square	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y						
Fulham Court Estate Court	Fulham Court Estate	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y		Y	Y		
Clem Atlee Court	Clem Atlee Estate	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y	Y					
May Street Court	Cheesemans Estate	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y						
Peabody Court	Peabody Estate Hammersmith	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	?	Artificial	Basketball	Y						
Gibbs Green Court	Gibbs Green Estate	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial	Basketball	Y				Y		
Lillie Road Pitch A	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Lillie Road Pitch B	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								
Lillie Road Pitch C	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								
Lillie Road Pitch D	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								
Lillie Road Pitch E	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								
Lillie Road Pitch F	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								
Lillie Road Pitch G	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Grass								
Facilities in school sites														
Peterborough Primary School Court	Peterborough Primary School	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Mini	Artificial	Football	Y						
Fulham Cross School Court A	Fulham Cross School	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y		Y			Y	
Compton School Court A	Compton Secondary School	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y		Y				
Godolphin & Latymer Schl Courts B	Godolphin and Latymer School	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial		Y		Y			Y Y	
Hammersmith College Court	Hammersmith College	Basketball/Netball Court	1	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Ftball/Tnnis	Y	Y				Y	
Latymer Courts	Latymer School Playing Fields	Basketball/Netball Court	3	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Tennis	Y		Y			Y Y	
Lady Margaret School Courts	Lady Margaret School	Basketball/Netball Court	3	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Tennis	Y		Y			Y	
Fulham Cross School Court B	Fulham Cross School	Basketball/Netball Court	2	Basketball	Full	Artificial	Tennis	Y		Y			Y	
Canberra School Yard	Canberra Primary School	Playing Field	1	?	Mini	Artificial		Y	Y	Y	Y		Y	
Compton School Court B	Compton Secondary School	Multi-Games Court	1	?	Mini	Artificial		Y		Y				
Avonmore School Court	Avonmore Primary School	Multi-Games Court	1	?	?	Artificial		Y		Y				
Cambridge School Court	Cambridge School	Multi-Games Court	1	?	?	Artificial		Y						
All Saints Court	All Saints School	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial								
Gibbs Green Schl Ball Games Area	Gibbs Green School	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y		Y			Y	
Wood Lane Court	Wood Lane School Grounds	Multi-Games Court	1	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y						
Canberra School Pitch	Canberra Primary School	Pitch	1	Football	Mini	Artificial		Y		Y	Y		Y	
Laremenier/Scrd Heart Schl Plyng Fld	Sacred Heart School	Pitch	1	Football	Junior	Grass							Y	
Latymer All-Weather Court	Latymer School Playing Fields	Pitch	1	Hockey	Full	Artificial		Y	Y	Y		Y	Y Y	
Holborn College Pitch	Holborn College Grounds	Pitch	1	Multi	Mini	Artificial		Y		Y			Y	

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Name	Location	Facility Type	No	Main Sport	Size	Surface	Other Use	All Weather	Floodlighting	Changing Facilities	Practice Areas	Spectator Facilities	Car Parking	Bike Parking
Latymer Playing Field	Latymer School Playing Fields	Pitches	1	Multi	Various	Grass				Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Godolphin & Latymer Schl Courts A	Godolphin and Latymer School	Tennis Court	3	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Netball	Y		Y			Y	Y
Sacred Heart Tennis Courts	Sacred Heart High School Grounds	Tennis Court	4	Tennis	Full	Artificial	Netball	Y					Y	
Godolphin & Latymer Schl Playng Fld	Godolphin and Latymer School	Tennis Court	9	Hockey	Full	Artificial	Hockey	Y		Y			Y	Y

Appendix 7

Summary of children's playspaces in the borough

Children's Playspace with Unrestricted Public Access

Name	Location	Type	Age Group	Area (sqm)	Items of Play Equipment	Play Experiences Available	Seats	Bike Parking	Enclosed	Signage Risk Level	2001 LEAP Standard	1992 LEAP Standard	Potential to meet standard
Sands End Adventure Playground	Sands End Adventure Playground	Adventure	5-16	613					Y				
Little Wormwood Scrubs Kids Active	Little Wormwood Scrubs	Adventure	Under 12	707					Y				
Brook Green	Brook Green	Equipped	3-11	1509	11	8	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	
Eel Brook Playground A	Eel Brook Common	Equipped	3-14	1562	6	6	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Ravenscourt Park Playground A	Ravenscourt Park	Equipped	3-14	2817	12	9	Y		Y	Y	Y	Y	
Loris Road	Loris Road Community Garden	Equipped	3-8	315	3	4			Y				
Maxwell Road Playground	Maxwell Road Open Space	Equipped	3-8	256	5	5			Y	Y	M		
Marcus Garvey Park Playground	Marcus Garvey Park	Equipped	3-8	449	6	8	Y		Y	M			Y
Margravine Playground B	Margravine Gardens	Equipped	4-12	466	4	4	Y		Y				Y
Rowberry Mead Playground	Rowberry Mead	Equipped	4-12	224	4	5	Y		Y				
Normand Park Playground B	Normand Park	Equipped	4-12	1980	7	8	Y		Y	M			Y
Hammersmith Park Playground A	Hammersmith Park	Equipped	4-8	879	2	3	Y	Y	Y				Y
William Parnell Playground	William Parnell Park	Equipped	4-8	632	4	4	Y		Y	H			Y
Wormholt Park Playground B	Wormholt Park	Equipped	4-8	719	5	4	Y		Y	M			Y
Wormwood Scrubs Playground B	Wormwood Scrubs	Equipped	4-8	1913	6	3	Y		Y	M			Y
Edward Woods Playground C	Norland North Open Space	Equipped	4-8	435	7	5	Y		Y			Y	Y
Hammersmith Park Playground B	Hammersmith Park	Equipped	4-8	650	8	6	Y	Y	Y	M			Y
Margravine Playground A	Margravine Gardens	Equipped	4-8	641	8	9	Y		Y			Y	Y
Wendell Park Playground	Wendell Park	Equipped	4-8	1870	9	8	Y		Y	M		Y	Y
Lillie Road Playground	Lillie Road Recreation Ground	Equipped	4-8	1323	9	6	Y		Y	M		Y	Y
Edward Woods Playground B	Edward Woods Estate	Equipped	4-8	1061	9	9	Y		Y			Y	Y
Cathnor Park Playground	Cathnor Park	Equipped	4-8	533	9	10	Y		Y	M		Y	Y
South Park Playground	South Park	Equipped	4-8	3645	10	9	Y		Y	M		Y	Y
New Zealand Way Playground	White City Estate	Equipped	4-8	1585	14	6	Y		Y	M			Y

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Name	Location	Type	Age Group	Area (sqm)									
Becklow Gardens Playground B	Becklow Gardens	Equipped	8+	182	2	4			Y				
Edward Woods Playground A	Edward Woods Estate	Equipped	8+	800	3	5	Y		Y			Y	Y
Wormwood Scrubs Playground A	Wormwood Scrubs	Equipped	8+	2540	8	8	Y	Y	Y	M			Y
Normand Park Playground A	Normand Park	Equipped	8-12	1404	4	4	Y		Y	M			Y
Wormholt Park Playground A	Wormholt Park	Equipped	8-12	1680	7	6			Y	M			Y
Bishop's Park Playground A	Bishop's Park	Equipped	9-14	520	3	5	Y		Y	Y H		Y	Y
Little Wormwood Scrubs Playground B	Little Wormwood Scrubs	Equipped	Under 12	209	2		Y		Y				
Little Wormwood Scrubs Playground A	Little Wormwood Scrubs	Equipped	Under 5	1318	18	8	Y	Y	Y	Y M		Y	Y
Ravenscourt Café Playground	Ravenscourt Park	Equipped	Under 7	45	3	1	Y		Y	L			
Godolphin Road Playground	Godolphin Community Gardens	Equipped	Under 7	335	4	6	Y		Y	M			
Pulton Place Playground	Pulton Place Open Space	Equipped	Under 7	232	4	8			Y	Y			
Shepherd's Bush Green	Shepherds Bush Green	Equipped	Under 7	1242	6	6	Y		Y	M		Y	Y
Upper Mall Playground	Upper Mall Open Space	Equipped	Under 7	259	6	5	Y		Y	M			
Eel Brook Playground B	Eel Brook Common	Equipped	Under 7	1111	7	3	Y		Y	Y M			Y
Bishop's Park Playground B	Bishop's Park	Equipped	Under 7	5432	8	6	Y		Y	Y M		Y	Y
Ravenscourt Park Playground B	Ravenscourt Park	Equipped	Under 7	1521	11	7	Y		Y	Y M		Y	Y
Ravenscourt Park Playground C	Ravenscourt Park	Equipped	Under 7	4270	28	11	Y		Y	Y H		Y	Y
Hurlingham Park Playground	Hurlingham Park	Equipped	Under 8	3679	14	9	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
Marcus Garvey Park Youth Area	Marcus Garvey Park	Unequipped	8+	240	0		Y						

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Name	Location	Type	Age Group	Area (sqm)	Items of Play Equipment	Play Experiences Available	Seats	Bike Parking Enclosed	Signage	Risk Level	2001 LEAP Standard	1992 LEAP Standard	Potential to meet standard
Coningham Centre Playground	Coningham Centre	Adventure	5-12	446				Y					
White City Centre Playground	White City Estate	Adventure	5-12	2176	4	6	Y	Y					
Distillery Centre Playground	Distillery Centre	Adventure	5-12	1369	6	8	Y	Y					
Bradmore Centre Playground	Bradmore Centre	Playcentre	5-12	335	1	4		Y					
Sands End Playhouse	Sands End Playhouse	Playcentre	Under 12	614	7	8	Y	Y	M				Y
Fulham Centre Playground	Fulham Centre	Playcentre	Under 7	199	3	5		Y					
Randolph Beresford Playground	Randolph Beresford Early Years Centre	Playcentre	Under 5	1369			Y	Y					
Fulham Centre Games Area	Fulham Centre	Unequipped	5-12	287	0			Y					
Sure Start Centre Play Area	Sure Start Coningham Centre	Unequipped	Under 5	660	0								Y

Children's Playspace in Housing Estates

Name	Location	Type	Age Group	Area (sqm)	Items of Play Equipment	Play Experiences Available	Seats	Bike Parking Enclosed	Signage	Risk Level	2001 LEAP Standard	1992 LEAP Standard	Potential to meet standard
Queen Charlotte Playspace	Queen Charlotte Housing Estate	Equipped		358									
Ivatt Place Playground	West Kensington Estate	Equipped	3-14	1102	8	9	Y	Y					Y
Bush Court Playground B	Bush Court Amenity Deck	Equipped	4-12	587	3	3							Y
Bush Court Playground A	Bush Court Amenity Deck	Equipped	4-12	883	4	6							Y
Woodford/Roseford Courts Playground	Woodford/Roseford Court (Roof)	Equipped	4-12	244	4	5	Y	Y	Y				
Field Road Estate Playground	Field Road Estate	Equipped	4-12	1047	6	8	Y	Y					Y
Carnwath Road Playground	Carnwath Road Estate	Equipped	4-8	270	1	0	Y	Y		H			
Ethel Rankin Court Playground	Ethel Rankin Court	Equipped	4-8	193	1	1							
Havelock Close Playground	White City Estate	Equipped	4-8	214	2	2		Y					
Lawrence Close Playground	White City Estate	Equipped	4-8	151	2	4		Y					
Chambon Place Playground	Chambon Place Open Space	Equipped	4-8	95	2	3	Y	Y					
Shuters Square Playground	Cheesemans Estate	Equipped	4-8	715	3	2							Y
Emlyn Gardens Playground	Emlyn Gardens Estate	Equipped	4-8	439	3	2	Y	Y					Y
Guinness Trust Estate Playground	Guinness Trust Estate	Equipped	4-8	383	3	4	Y	Y					
Samuel Richardson Playground	Lytton Estate	Equipped	4-8	358	3	8		Y					
Pelham House Playground	Lytton Estate	Equipped	4-8	143	3	2		Y					
Exhibition Close Playground	Wood Lane Estate	Equipped	4-8	97	3	3	Y	Y					
Mackay House Playground	White City Estate	Equipped	4-8	731	4	4	Y	Y					Y
Becklow Gardens Playground A	Becklow Gardens	Equipped	4-8	472	4	7	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	
William Church Playground	William Church Estate	Equipped	4-8	295	4	5	Y	Y					
Caroline Playground B	Queen Caroline Estate	Equipped	4-8	287	4	5		Y					
Philpot Square Playground	Philpot Square	Equipped	4-8	258	4	6	Y	Y					
Edward Woods Playground D	Edward Woods Estate	Equipped	4-8	111	4	4	Y	Y					

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Name	Location	Type	Age Group	Area (sqm)	Items of Play Equipment	Play Experiences Available	Seats	Bike Parking Enclosed	Signage	Risk Level	2001 LEAP Standard	1992 LEAP Standard	Potential to meet standard
Robert Owen Playground	Robert Owen House	Equipped	4-8	584	5	6	Y	Y	Y			Y	Y
Sullivan Court Playground	Sullivan Court	Equipped	4-8	622	6	8	Y	Y					Y
Vine Square Playground	Cheesemans Estate	Equipped	4-8	464	7	6		Y	Y			Y	Y
Alice Gilliat Playground	Alice Gilliat Court	Equipped	4-8	375	5	7	Y	Y					
William Banfield Playground	William Banfield House	Equipped	8+	618	1	2	Y	Y					Y
Cleverly Estate Playground B	Peabody Estate Wormholt	Equipped	8+	542	1	5		Y	Y			Y	Y
Clem Atlee Playground A	Clem Atlee Estate	Equipped	8+	411	3	5		Y					Y
Hayter House Playground	Hayter House	Equipped	Under 10	138	3	3	Y	Y					
Caroline Playground A	Queen Caroline Estate	Equipped	Under 11	423	5	7	Y	Y	Y			Y	Y
Grey Turner House Playground	Grey Turner/O'Driscoll House	Equipped	Under 12	203	3	4	Y	Y					
Lancaster Court Playground	Lancaster Court Estate	Equipped	Under 12	509	4	6	Y	Y					Y
Gibbs Green Playgrond	Gibbs Green Estate	Equipped	Under 13	566	14	7	Y	Y	Y		Y	Y	
Fulham Court Playground C	Fulham Court Estate	Equipped	Under 14	496	2	5	Y	Y	Y			Y	Y
Fulham Court Playground A	Fulham Court Estate	Equipped	Under 14	463	7	6	Y	Y					Y
Broxholme House Playground	Broxholme House	Equipped	Under 7	321	1	3	Y	Y					
Uxbridge Road Playground	Octavia Housing Uxbridge Road	Equipped	Under 7	97	1		Y	Y	Y				
Norcroft Court Playground	Norcroft Court	Equipped	Under 7	78	1	4							
Burne Jones House Playground	Lytton Estate	Equipped	Under 7	51	1	3	Y	Y					
Vanstone Place Playground	Samuel Lewis Trust Estate	Equipped	Under 7	564	2	4	Y	Y	Y				Y
Gurney Road Playground	Gurney Road Open Space	Equipped	Under 7	246	2	6	Y	Y					
Ellenborough House Playground	White City Estate	Equipped	Under 7	83	2	3							
Linacre Court Playground	Linacre Court	Equipped	Under 7	426	3	3	Y	Y					Y
Clem Atlee Playground B	Clem Atlee Estate	Equipped	Under 7	260	3	6	Y	Y					
Osram Court Playground	Osram Court	Equipped	Under 7	227	3	4	Y	Y					
Kelmscott Gardens Playground	Kelmscott Gardens	Equipped	Under 7	136	3	2		Y					

Children's Playspace in Housing Estates					Items of Play Equipment	Play Experiences Available	Seats	Bike Parking Enclosed	Signage	Risk Level	2001 LEAP Standard	1992 LEAP Standard	Potential to meet standard
Name	Location	Type	Age Group	Area (sqm)									
Ochard House Playground	Peabody Estate Wormholt	Equipped	Under 7	91	3	2		Y					
Lisgar Terrace Estate Playground	Lisgar Terrace Estate	Equipped	Under 7	89	3	3	Y	Y					
White City Close Playground	Wood Lane Estate	Equipped	Under 7	89	3	1		Y					
Woodmans Mews Playground	Woodmans Mews Garden	Equipped	Under 7	37	3	3	Y	Y					
Fulham Court Playground B	Fulham Court Estate	Equipped	Under 7	445	4	4	Y	Y					Y
William Morris House Playground	William Morris House	Equipped	Under 7	70	4	3	Y	Y					
Mortimer House Playground	Lytton Estate	Equipped	Under 7	244	5	6		Y					
Bayonne Road Estate Playground	Bayonne Park Estate	Equipped	Under 7	507	6	6	Y	Y			Y	Y	
Cleverly Estate Playground A	Peabody Estate Wormholt	Equipped	Under 8	582	5	4	Y	Y	Y				Y
Samuel Richardson Games Area	Lytton Estate	Unequipped	8+	622	0	2		Y					Y
Guinness Trust Estate Games Area	Guinness Trust Estate	Unequipped	8+	570	0	2		Y					Y
Sullivan Court Kickabout Area	Sullivan Court	Unequipped	8+	551	0			Y					Y
Lancaster Court Kickabout Area	Lancaster Court Estate	Unequipped	8+	534	0			Y					
Aintree Estate Ball Games Area	Aintree Estate	Unequipped	8+	290	0			Y					
Lisgar Terrace Games Area	Lisgar Terrace Estate	Unequipped	8+	166	0	2		Y					
Laundry Road Playspace	Bayonne Park Estate	Unequipped	Under 7	317	0	0		Y	Y				Y
Aspen Gardens Play Area	Aspen Gardens	Unequipped	Under 7	116	0			Y					Y

Appendix 8

Methodology used to define Priority Areas

Priority Area for Open Space Provision

Base data: 2001 Census super output areas.

Each output area was scored based on their level of Multiple Deprivation:

Deprivation Level	Score
Top 10% most deprived in London	3
10-20%	2
20-30%	1
Over 30	0

Each output area was scored based on the number of 0-8yrs:

No. of 0-8yrs	Score
192-255 people	3
143-191	2
103-142	1
50-102	0

Each output area was scored based on the number of people over 65yo:

No. of people of 65yo	Score
218-307 people	3
157-217	2
121-156	1
69-120	0

Each output area was scored based on the number of people with LLTI:

No. people with LLTI	Score
278-364 people	3
217-277	2
160-216	1
99-159	0

This was totalled and Priority assigned based on total scores as follows:

Priority 1 - Overall score: over 9

Priority 2 - Overall score: 6.8-9

Priority 3 - overall score: 4.4-6.33

Priority Area for Children's Playspace Provision

Base data: 2001 Census super output areas

Scoring was varied slightly to weight Priority in favour of areas with higher proportions of 0-8yo (for 0-8yo playgrounds) and 8-12yrs (for 8+ playgrounds). The scoring also excluded LLTI. This was to ensure that areas which may be highly deprived didn't get higher priority than those with slightly less deprivation but with higher numbers of young people.

Score for Multiple Deprivation:

Top 10% most deprived in London (1.5)

10-20% (1)

20-30% (0.5)

Over 30 (0)

Score for number of young people:

For 0-8yo playgrounds	Score	For Over 8yo playgrounds	Score
192-255 people	3	157-213 people	3
143-191	2	101-156	2
103-142	1.5	50-100	1.5
50-102	1	less than 50	1

Priority assigned based on total scores as follows:

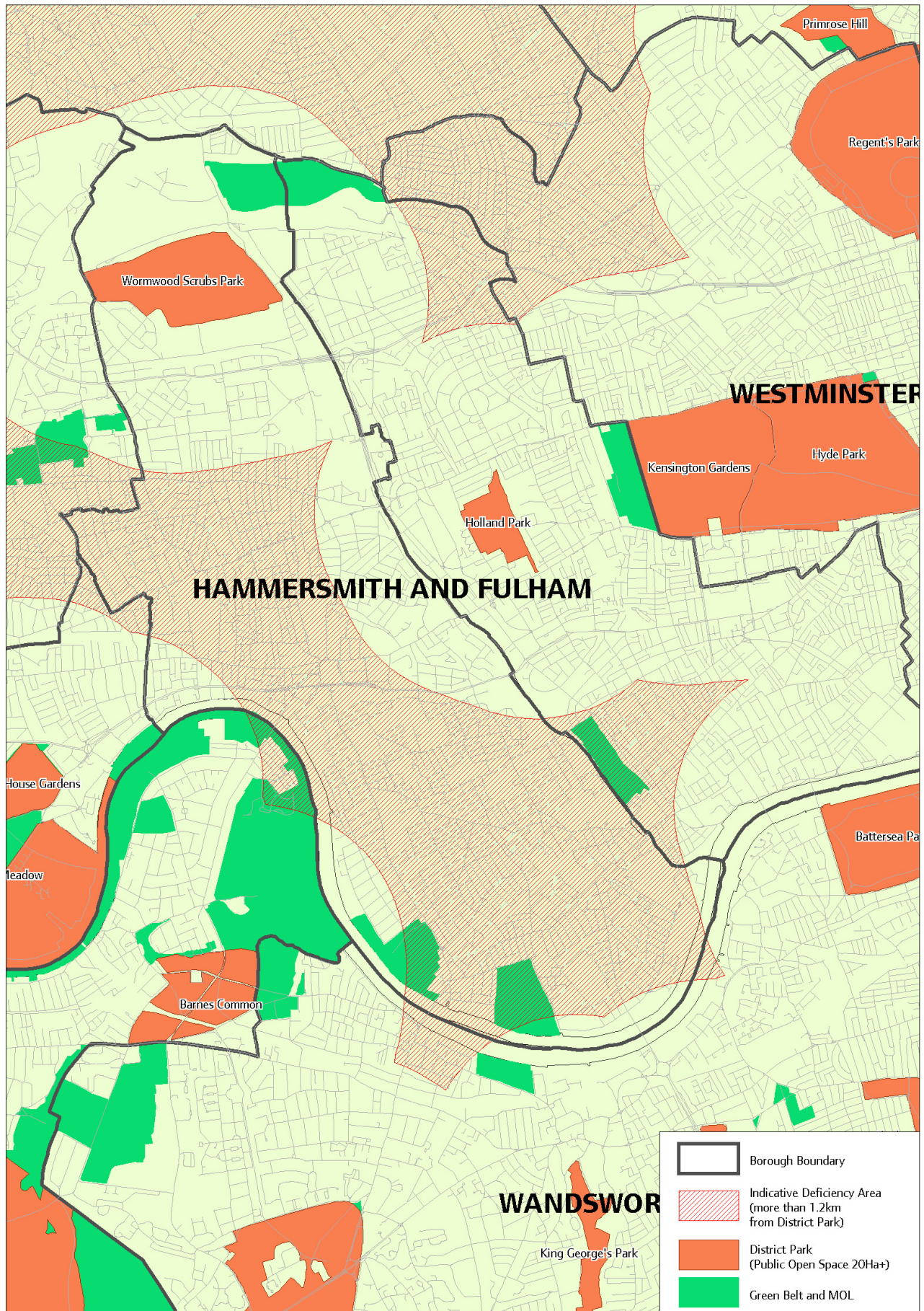
Priority 1 - Overall score: over 4

Priority 2 - Overall score: 3-3.5

Priority 3 - overall score: 2-2.5

Appendix 9

GLA Investigations into deficiency in access to District Parks



Strategic Parks

- 1.1 Regional, Metropolitan and District sized parks are considered to be of strategic importance as they draw visitors from a wider area and their catchments generally cross borough boundaries. London's public open space hierarchy (Table 3D.1 of the London Plan) provides a benchmark for provision across London. Parks in the upper levels of the hierarchy perform the functions in the lower levels, eg metropolitan parks also function as district parks. Appendix 1 lists the strategic parks in each borough according to the hierarchy.

Table 3D.1: London's Public Open Space Hierarchy

Open space categorisation	Size guideline Hectares (ha)	Distances from homes to open spaces
Regional	Over 400 ha	8 km
Metropolitan	60 - 400 ha	3.2 km
District	20 – 60 ha	1.2 km
Local Parks and Open Spaces	2 – 20 ha	400 m
Small Open Spaces	Under 2 ha	Less than 400 m

Source: London Plan, February 2004

- 1.2 The Green Arc and Green Grid consultancy projects have included an element of GIS mapping of public open space. The information on strategic parks that these projects produced has been collated in order to map provision and provide an indication of the deficiency areas. The deficiency areas have been defined by applying the relevant distance radius around each park as an indicative catchment area. The resulting gaps are the indicative deficiency areas. The deficiency areas are indicative as they do not take into account barriers to accessing a park such as a railway line or whether public transport increases the catchment area.
- 1.3 Using Census 2001 data an analysis of the number of people that are within an indicative catchment or an indicative deficiency area of the different strategic park categories can be made. Appendix 2 shows this information for each borough.

Appendix 1: London Strategic Parks by Borough

BOROUGH	CATEGORY	NAME	AREA HA	DESIGNATION
Hammersmith & Fulham				
		MetropolitanWormwood Scrubs Park	76.56	MOL

(Note. Only part of Appendix 1 is reproduced here)

APPENDIX 2: Percentage of Londoners within Catchment and Deficiency Areas of Strategic Parks

	Regional Park				Metropolitan Park				District Park				
Borough	Population Deficiency	% Deficiency	Population Catchment	% Catchment	Population Deficiency	% Deficiency	Population Catchment	% Catchment	Population Deficiency	% Deficiency	Population Catchment	% Catchment	Grand Total
Brent	159037	60	104362	40		0	263,399	100	100,386	38	163,013	62	263,399
Ealing		0	300886	100		0	300,886	100	35,503	12	265,383	88	300,886
Hammersmith and Fulham		0	165228	100		0	165,228	100	111,580	68	53,648	32	165,228
Harrow	87322	42	119529	58	21,154	10	185,697	90	83,299	40	123,552	60	206,851
Hillingdon		0	243039	100	19,796	8	223,243	92	33,107	14	209,932	86	243,039
Hounslow		0	212446	100		0	212,446	100	17,107	8	195,339	92	212,446
WEST SUBREGION	246,359	18	1,145,490	82	40,950	3	1,350,899	97	380,982	27	1,010,867	73	1,391,849

(Note. Only part of Appendix 2 is reproduced here)

Appendix 10

Methodology for determining distribution of open space provision

Methodology used for working out open space share for census output areas

This method takes into account the fact that open spaces are shared by residents across multiple output areas. As such it apportions the areas of open spaces based on how many residents are within 400m of them.

First step

400m catchment areas were mapped for all publicly accessible open spaces in the borough and those within 400m of the borough boundary. This includes all parks, cemeteries as well as spaces with defacto public access. Linear open spaces were not included.

Catchments for parks over 4,000sqm were based on buffers of actual park entrances, and took into account barriers to access. Each open space catchment was a separate polygon in a ArcMap layer which was given the attributes of the respective open space (ie. name and area) through a spatial join (by matching the centre of each entrance buffer polygon with each entrance point, and then merging entrances from the same open space into a single polygon).

Catchments for parks under 4,000sqm were based on buffers of the entire park, and took into account barriers to access. Each park catchment was a separate polygon in an ArcMap layer which was given the attributes of the respective open space (ie. name and area) through a spatial join (by matching the centre of the buffer polygon with the centerpoint of each open space polygon).

Second step

The population centre points of each census output area was mapped using a dataset already defined. Each output area point has the attributes of the whole output area (ie. total population).

Third step

An estimate of the total population within the 400m catchment of each open space was calculated. This was done using a spatial join in ArcMap, which summed the population of each output area point which fell inside each catchment polygon¹.

The total area of each open spaces was divided by the approximate catchment population. The figure derived (the "Area Portion Value") reflects each catchment resident's share of the open space (ie, for an open space of 1,000sqm, with an approximate catchment population of 100 people, there would be 10sqm of that open space for every resident within its catchment). This figure is added to the attributes of each open space catchment polygon.

Fourth step

Each output area's approximate share of open space was calculated using another spatial join in ArcMap. For each output area point, the Area Portion Value of every open space catchment polygon which crossed the point was summed². This total

represents an approximation of each output area resident's share of open space within 400m. An equivalent value, representing open space share per 1,000 persons, is calculated to allow comparison across output areas and against national standards.

Notes.

The resulting data should be seen as indicative only, given:

1. the exact population located within the catchment of each open space will not be the same as that estimated. This is because catchments do not always encompass the whole of an output area. However, in the estimation method used, over-counting population in some output areas should be balanced out by not counting the population in output areas where only a small part was covered by the catchment (and as such its population centre fell outside the catchment boundary); and
2. the amount of open space available from different points within each output area will not necessarily be the same as that available from its population centre point.

Appendix 11

Outstanding changes to open spaces and outdoor recreation facilities

Site	Outstanding Improvements	Status	Outstanding Losses	Status
Ravenscourt Park	Accessible toilet block. Other improvements planned, including trim trail.	In progress.		
William Parnell Park	Renew play surface.	Planned.		
Little Wormwood Scrubs	New landscaping, seating, changing facilities, performance shelter, play area and all-weather court.	Approved.		
Hammersmith Park	Improvements to basketball courts and repairs and improvements to interactive water feature.	Planned.		
Eel Brook Common	Refurbishment of under 8's playground	Planned.		
Bishop's Park	Refurbished boating lake and enlarged play area. Installation of trim trail and skate equipment.	Planned.		
Gwendwr Gardens Annexe	Children's play equipment.	In progress.		
Shepherd's Bush Common	Refurbishment of park.	Planned.		
Wormholt Park	New multi-games court. Refurbished play area planned.	In progress.		
Normand Park	Park improvements, including new play facilities, picnic area, dog exercise area and improved lighting.	In progress.		
Frank Banfield Park	New landscaping, lighting, seating and provision of CCTV (as part of Hammersmith Embankment).	In progress		
Cathnor Park	Dog exercise area.	Planned.		
South Park	New play equipment.	Planned.		
St Johns Open Space	Various improvements.	Planned.		
Charing Cross Hospital Grounds			Cancer care drop-in centre to be built on part of grassland.	Approved.
Stevenage Park	Additional planting (as part of refurbishments to Craven Cottage stadium).	Approved.		
Imperial Wharf River Parkland	Detailed design of the parkland and riverside walk still being determined.	Planned.		
Grand Union Canal	Barge loading bay and enhanced planting (in connection with waste management facility).	Approved.		
Brook Green Day Nursery			Rear extension to nursery.	Approved.
White City Centre Affordable Housing	Communal open spaces (as part of affordable housing development).	Approved.		

Site	Outstanding Improvements	Status	Outstanding Losses	Status
Queen Charlotte Housing Development	New playground and amenity space as part of housing development.	In progress.		
Heathstan Road Affordable Housing Development	Toddlers play area and communal open space.	In progress.		
White City Shopping Centre	Public entrance squares, terraced garden area and replacement nature conservation area.	In progress.	White City Woodlands (0.8ha)	In progress.
Godolphin and Latymer School	Floodlight columns.	Approved.		
Normand Croft Community School	New school and community facilities on-site.	In progress.		
Farm Lane Nursing Home	Redvelopment of site.	In progress.		
Cheesemans Estate	Environmental improvements, including expanded communal space and floodlights to ball court.	In progress.		
St Johns School	Multi-games area.	Approved.		
Langford Primary School	Enlarged ball games area with floodlighting	Approved.		
Alice Gilliatt Court	New multi-purpose ball games area and other environmental improvements.	Approved.		
Townmead Estate	Redevelopment of site, including new communal open space and ball court.	In progress.	redevelopment of site.	
Laremenier and Sacred Hearts School	Redevelopment of site to provide new school and associated facilities.	Approved.		
Burlington Danes School Grounds	Floodlighting and refurbished ball courts.	Approved.		
Linford Christie Outdoor Sports Centre	Floodlighting and new football pitches	In progress.		
Du Cane Road Estate	Improvements to amenity space as part of site redevelopment.	Approved.	Redevelopment of the site, including building on part of existing amenity space.	Approved.
Grey Turner/O'Driscoll Grounds	New play area in association with the redevelopment of the site.	Approved.		
Hammersmith Broadway Land			Temporary use of land as bus station.	Approved.
BBC Media Village Vacant Land			Redevelopment as part of Media Village.	Approved.
Imperial Wharf Open Space	Reinstatement of playground.	Pending.		
Imperial Road Vacant Land			Development of stages 2 and 3 of Imperial Wharf scheme.	Pending.
Sands End Adventure Playground	New ball games area with floodlighting.	Approved.	Removal of existing adventure playground equipment	Approved.

Site	Outstanding Improvements	Status	Outstanding Losses	Status
Kenmont Primary School	Improvements to playground including multi-games area.	Approved.		
Sidings - West London Line			New railway station.	Approved.
Shepherd's Bush Place			New underground station.	Approved.
Hammersmith Embankment Vacant Land	New public park (approx. 1,500sqm) and Thames Pathway. New proposal has been submitted.	Approved.	Development of site for offices and affordable housing	Approved.
Westway Vacant Land	Amenity space as part of housing development on site, including children's play area.	Approved.	Development of site for affordable housing.	Approved.
Canberra Primary School			Use of part of the greenspace as a nursery school.	Planned.
St Peter's School	Floodlight columns on multi-games pitch.	Approved.		
All Saints School	Access improvements.	Approved.		
Wormholt Park Primary School			Extension to school, including covered play area.	Approved.
St James' Independent School			Extension to school, including roof terrace.	Approved.
Gibbs Green School	New multi-games pitch.	Approved.		