HAUGHTON GREEN PLAYING FIELDS
MANAGEMENT PLAN - 2007/2011
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1. Preface

The first public parks in the country were established in the 19th century to help improve the living conditions for workers in the new industrialised Towns. Urban parks and other green spaces have been valued ever since as an important part of our Towns and Cities.

The Social Reformer, John Ruskin stated "The measure of any great civilisation is in its cities and a measure of a city's greatness is to be found in the quality of its public spaces, its parks and its squares".

Over the past few years much research has been carried out to gauge the full benefits of our parks and a publication by CABE Space (part of the commission for Architecture and the built environment). "The value of public space" (2004) demonstrated how parks improve many aspects of our lives – helping to improve our health, providing places for children to play and learn, increasing the economic value of a Town and providing space for wildlife.

Tameside Council is committed to managing and developing its parks and green spaces for the benefit of all its residents and has stated its intention to achieve Green Flag standards of design, management and maintenance in its major parks and green spaces.

As part of this commitment the Council is producing a series of management plans, which will plan for the long term management of each of Tameside’s major urban parks ensuring that they meet the needs of the whole community in line with the Council Policy.

The park was awarded its first Green Pennant by the Civic Trust in 2006 and following from the judges recommendations, in 2007 was put forward to gain a successful Green Flag Award in 2008, becoming the first site in the country to have both a Green Flag and Green Pennant Award.
"We want Tameside to be an attractive and environmentally friendly place to live, work and visit. We are committed to working with local communities to protect and improve our surroundings to make Tameside a cleaner and more accessible place for current and future generations".

This statement is the District Assembly's vision for the future of Haughton Green Playing Fields. The statement is taken from Tameside's Community Strategy 2003/ 2013 where one of the key themes is ‘An Attractive Borough’ and was identified via extensive consultation with both local residents and businesses.

The main aims of managing and improving Haughton Green Playing Fields are the eight standards set out in the Green Flag criteria, which are:

- A Welcoming Place
- Healthy, Safe and Secure
- Clean and Well Maintained
- Sustainability
- Conservation and Heritage
- Community Involvement
- Marketing
- Management

As Part of this vision we are committed to year on year improvements to our Parks and open spaces.
2. Site Details

Name: Haughton Green Playing Fields

Contact: Assistant Town Manager
Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly
Market Street
Denton
M34 2AP

Location: O.S. Grid Reference SJ 933 939, Bakewell Avenue, Haughton Green, Manchester, M34 1NS

Area: Approximately 4.3266 Hectares

Tenure: The land is owned by Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council

Access: Leave M67 at junction 1A, then turn right onto the A6017 entering Denton. At the main junction turn right onto A57 Manchester Road then continue until the cross roads with the traffic lights and turn right onto the A6017 Stockport Road. When reaching a fork in the road follow the road to the left for Haughton Green, Two Trees Lane, turning down the first right onto Lancaster Road. Continue to the end of Lancaster Road crossing over to the avenue just on the right opposite, down Matlock Avenue following on to Bakewell Avenue, Haughton Green Playing Fields is at the end.

Public Transport: Bus services which supply Lancaster Road are:-
  204: Hyde – Manchester
  206: Gee Cross – Manchester
  322: Haughton Green – Stockport
  324: Stockport – Denton
  347: Ashton – Haughton Green

For more information on local bus and train services please contact GMPTIL on 0161-228-7811.
History of the Park: This together with the adjacent sports fields was for many years a rather bleak open space dogged by vandalism and other anti social behaviour. Surrounded by houses in the centre of a large estate it was, nevertheless, a valuable green site for all the local residents who were keen to see the area improve.

Haughton Green Community forum is recognised as a focus for community affairs in the area and in late 2001, the Forum, in partnership with Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council and Groundwork Tameside began to put together a plan for improving the playing fields based on the ideas and the needs of the local residents and funded with assistance from outside grants.

A series of consultation events were held in early 2002 and showed that there was widespread support for improvements to the site and that residents would like to see a safe, attractive site for children to play and others to meet and socialize, with facilities for all residents in the area leading to a site which was busy with activity.

Successful bids for Doorstep Green, Fairshare and other funding allowed work to start in 2004 with the official opening being held on 12th June 2005. The site has been transformed and now boasts a new playground, an all weather, floodlit multi sports use games area and a general ‘kick-about’ area. The pathways have been improved and new seats and signs added. The landscape has been improved with over 100 trees planted and an area developed to encourage wildlife.

The disused bowling green has been renovated and a grant received from Barclay’s ‘Space for Sport Development’ to allow the Forum to assist in the running of a Bowling Club for all ages in the wider community.
The keys to the success of this site have been:

1. Involving the local community from the early planning stages through to the ongoing development of the site.

2. The partnership between the community, the local Authority and Groundwork Tameside which guarantees long-term maintenance of the site.

Recently a ‘Friends of Haughton Green Playing Fields’ has been established with support from the Forum to provide further focus to the area. The group meets regularly to guide the management of the site and bowling green, providing free bowling tuition which takes place on a regular basis from a qualified instructor.
The Park Today: This site of 4.3266 ha, including the adjacent football fields has been transformed from a bland, open area with few facilities into a much valued and well-used community green space.

The Haughton Green Community Forum working in partnership with Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council and Groundwork Tameside and with the assistance of Doorstep Green, Fairshare and other grant awards, have created a space boasting a new playground, improved paths and general ‘kick-a-bout’ area, an all weather multi use games area, wildflower meadow, wildlife area, a disused bowling green which has been renovated and a new replacement Green Park Centre.

This partnership forms the basis of the on-going management of this once-again popular community site, which, in 2006, was granted its first Green Pennant Award by the Civic Trust, with Haughton Green Playing Fields receiving its first Green Flag Award in 2008.
The Playground: This area underwent major refurbishment in 2004, following consultation with users of the playground. Additional furniture was also added in summer 2007 with the installation of the Galaxy, for older children which had the funding raised through the Safer Stronger Community Fund. Refurbishment of the playground will be taking place during 2010/11, through a Playbuilder grant from Play England.

Teen Shelter: The teen shelter, which is situated on the hard standing of the playground, in close proximity to the multi use games area was installed in 2008. The project was designed to provide a meeting place for youths and is funded by the Denton South Partnership, through the Safer, Stronger Community Fund after local youths were consulted by TMBC’s Youth Services. The shelter is regularly used by the local youths, providing a facility where they gather, shelter, socialise and call their own.
**Wildlife Area:** The wildlife area within Haughton Green Playing Fields is designed to be enjoyed both by park users and wildlife. With areas that have been planted with tree whips and spring bulbs in conjunction with children from the local Primary Schools.

**Wildflower Meadows:** In Spring 2008 a range of environmental flora mixes were sown in drifts thus creating a meadow style effect. These included colourful and hardy perennial species mixed with cornfield annuals to encourage continuity of the wild flower meadow drifts and an established habitat for a higher diversity of insects. After being considered extremely successful, this scheme was expanded in 2009.
**New Entrance and Parking Facilities:** This was created in 2009 and provides another attractive entrance to the park, linking to the memorial stone and creating better links to the newly refurbished Tatton Road Centre. This includes a new car park for visitors together with disabled parking bays. The scheme has enabled better access as this includes a ramp for disabled users. The project was funded by the Irwell Housing Association and Safer Stronger Communities Fund.

**Home Secretary visit to the Playing Fields:** Home Secretary Jacqui Smith visited Haughton Green Playing Fields on the 5th of December 2007, to talk to police and members of the community about the success of the partnership between the local community, the council and other agencies in tackling crime and anti-social behaviour. As Haughton Green was the first area in the country to try dispersal orders in February 2004 and has a police officer dedicated to dealing with anti-social behaviour.

The Playing Fields were an example of how improvements in green space can play a role in helping community cohesion.
Through the work of the Assembly in conjunction with the Haughton Green Community Forum a series of grants totalling more than £350k were used to improve the derelict playing fields and provide a well used and respected community asset.

**The Opening of the Green Park Centre:** The centre was opened on the 30th of April 2008 and is managed by a Community Management Team; it is used for various community events and partnership meetings.

**Haughton Green Playing Fields Funday:** The funday took place on the 28th of June 2009 and was organised by The Haughton Green Community Forum. As an annual event the funday provides numerous activities for the community to enjoy including Ice Skating, Football competitions, Fire Service, Police, Youth Service, inflatable fun and craft stalls to browse, provided by numerous community groups.
Councillor Arthur Grundy’s Memorial Stone: The memorial for Councillor Arthur Grundy was opened on the 1st of June 2007, to celebrate his life and his community contribution to the people of Haughton Green, Denton South.
**Site Location:** The Park is owned by Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council (TMBC) and is managed and maintained by the Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly, with exception to the Neighbourhood Centre and Bowling Green which are managed by the local community. A plan of the park may be viewed below:
3. Strategic Context

Strategies and Policies

Tameside's parks and open spaces are an integral part of the public areas of the borough and are managed in line with the Council's wider strategies and policies. Below are listed a number of such strategies and policies which have particular relevance to all Tameside's parks including Haughton Green Playing Fields.

Community Strategy

Residents throughout Tameside were asked what their priorities were for the Borough, from their views six key themes were identified, which formed the basis for Tameside's Community Strategy 2003/2013.

The themes were:

- Supportive Communities
- A Safe Environment
- A Prosperous Society
- A Learning Community
- A Healthy Population
- An Attractive Borough

Haughton Green Playing Fields plays a vital role in fulfilling these priorities for the people of Haughton Green and Tameside as a whole. In planning the management of the park over the next three years, each of the priorities have been taken into account as shown below.

- **Supportive Communities**

  We will help to encourage a strong community spirit by providing a park, which has a wide range of facilities and can be enjoyed by people of all backgrounds and interests.

- **A Safe Environment**

  We want Haughton Green Playing Fields to be a place where all members of the community feel safe and secure and we will support this through; good design, high standards of maintenance, staff working onsite and encouragement of high levels public use.
• **A Prosperous Society**

A well maintained and attractive park adds to the overall appearance of Haughton Green, which helps in attracting more visitors to the area and bringing in more investments and jobs. Haughton Green Playing Fields is recognised as a prime civic space and important to the overall development programme for Haughton Green.

• **A Learning Community**

We want to encourage schools and local groups to see Haughton Green Playing Fields as a place where children, students and others can come to keep learning throughout their lives. We will do this by listening to resident's views and providing appropriate facilities and opportunities for learning where possible. We use the development of the park as a learning opportunity for the local community in particular for environmental projects.

• **Healthy Population**

The park provides a welcoming place for people to relax and exercise and we shall continue to manage and improve these facilities to make Haughton Green a healthier place to live and work.

• **An Attractive Borough**

Haughton Green Playing Fields is an attractive, clean centre for leisure and relaxation in the heart of Haughton Green and we shall make sure through our maintenance, that these standards are maintained and improved, but more than this we want to ensure that the park is also an environmentally friendly 'green space' with standards that can be sustained both for today's visitors and those in future years. For this reason we have drawn up a sustainability charter for Haughton Green Playing Fields which will guide our management of the park *(See Appendix 1)*. The Community Strategy can be viewed at:-

[www.tameside-strategic-partnership.org.uk/tsp-linkshtm](http://www.tameside-strategic-partnership.org.uk/tsp-linkshtm)

Some of the performance indicators we use to monitor our progress include:-

- Increase the number of Green Flags and Green Pennants for parks and green/ open spaces.
- Increase resident satisfaction with parks, open spaces and public places within Tameside.
**Corporate Plan**

The Corporate Plan sets out the Councils top Priorities, bringing together our responsibilities around the Community Strategy, the Councils four priorities the CPA Improvement Plan, key regional and national priorities and our aim to deliver excellence to the people and businesses of Tameside.

The council has four priorities that directly support the six Community Strategy themes and reflect our areas of responsibility.

These peoples priorities are:-

- Children and Young People
- Public Safety and Combating Crime
- Stimulating the economy to produce more and better jobs
- The appearance of the Borough

**The Town Plan**

The Town Plan pulls together a number of themes and polices contained within several council documents, which includes Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly Business Plan.

Actions within the plan include:-

- To identify a programme of parks improvements
- Encourage community participation in environmental projects
- Submit Green Flag applications
- To support ‘Friend of the Park’ groups in their bid for funding
- To support the Authority for ‘Britain in Bloom’
- Improve the standard of all our parks

**Green Space Strategy**

Tameside MBC is currently developing an Environmental Strategy which will encompass the Green Space Strategy for the whole of the borough.

The strategy will seek to determine standards of management, which the Council shall aim to provide for the range of green spaces across the borough.

Haughton Green Playing Fields is clearly an important park of our network of green space and the Green Flag criteria shall be included within the management standards.
Health and Safety Policy

This policy has been developed to ensure the health and safety of all residents of the borough, employees and members of the Council in connection with the management of public facilities throughout Tameside. The policy covers all aspects of the management of Haughton Green Playing Fields and requires that risk assessments are carried out and safety procedures developed for all work and events within the park. The policy together with up to date risk assessments may be viewed by request to the Denton and Audenshaw Town Manager.

Children's Play Policy

This policy guides play provision for children across Tameside. The policy aims to ensure that a suitable amount and standard of play facilities are provided by the Council and are really accessible to children and their parents and carers.

Dog Fouling Policy

Tameside Council has now designated land under The Dogs (fouling of land) Act 1996. The designated land includes road, footpaths, school playing fields, sports fields and parks. It is an offence for a dog owner not to clean up after their dog in these areas. Failure to comply can result in a prosecution and fine of up to £1,000, Tameside Patrollers patrol all parks and will issue fixed penalty notices should the need arise.

Tree and Woodland Policy

This policy has been developed to guide the management of trees and woodlands throughout Tameside. A tree survey has been carried out in the park from which a work programme is developed to ensure that the Council fulfils its statutory obligations to maintain a safe and healthy stock of trees in public areas. (Please see the attached Tree Survey in Appendix 2). In line with the policy's aim to maintain and where possible, increase the tree cover of the borough, trees which may need to be removed from the park from time to time shall be replaced. Future planting will be used as an opportunity to increase the diversity and range of the tree stock.

Other Policies

In addition to the priorities identified in the Community Strategy we shall also draw on the Council's other policies and strategies where these aid us in managing the park e.g. The Children's Play Policy guiding play provision for children and the dog Fouling Policy which provides a means of dealing with the problems of dog fouling.
Continuous Improvement
A culture of continuous improvements (CI) is embedded in the work of the Council, with all Service Units and individual members of staff being encouraged to review and continuously improve their service to the community.

The Horticultural CI Group meet regularly which includes all the Operations Managers and Grounds Maintenance Staff. The aim of the group is to improve the standards of the Council's Horticultural operations throughout the Borough and in this instance to the benefit of Haughton Green Playing Fields and its uses.

Raising the Standards
The Authority has recently been accredited with the ‘Charter Mark’ award, which is the Government standard for excellence in Customer Service. This demonstrates the commitment of our workforce who will ensure we go that extra mile to help improve the quality of life for our residents and visitors.

In the addition to the above, Tameside have been granted the Investors in People standard, which is awarded to organisations who have improved performance and realise objectives through the management and development of their people.

Through the comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) which is assessed by the Audit Commission Tameside MBC, since 2003 has been measured as ‘4 Star’ in the way that it serves its local people.

This along with CI, Charter Mark and IIP underpins the management of Haughton Green Playing Fields.
4. A Welcoming Place

The overall impressions for any member of the community approaching and entering the park and grounds should be positive and inviting, regardless of the purpose for which they are visiting.

Objectives:

1. Good, safe access for all.
2. Good park signage, internally and externally.

How the objectives are met:

1. Good, safe access for all.

There are three entrances into the grounds which are all easily accessible for both pedestrians and disabled visitors, and two entrances also off Sunningdale Road. The grounds are full Disability Discrimination Act compliant.

Health and Safety surveys are carried out annually and any defects addressed. Also the resident Gardener reports any potential hazards to the Operations Manager.

The five entrances are:

- Bakewell Avenue
- Reid Close
- Sunningdale Road
- Tatton Road

2. Good signage

There are two notice boards within Haughton Green Playing Fields both displaying maps of the various features within the park, as well as useful signposting to the park from the road. A new notice board is due to be installed at the Tatton Road entrance.
5. Healthy, Safe and Secure

Effective management of the safety aspects of an area helps give visitors the confidence to use and enjoy Haughton Green Playing Fields. A well managed site, where vandalism is quickly repaired, also helps to make people think twice before committing willful damage and helps in the presentation of a well cared for site.

Objectives:

1. Ensure the Health and Safety of all visitors and staff
2. To provide a clean environment

How the objectives are met:

1. Safe environment.

The grounds are currently maintained by a part time member of staff, who is supported by the Operations Supervisor and the Grounds Maintenance Team, which ensures the grounds are maintained and managed to a high standard.

We have a contract with a security company who lock the park every day as well as a dedicated Police Constable, PCSO’s and Patrollers who visit on a regular basis.

The area is inspected daily for damage and reported promptly to the Operations Manager/ Supervisor or Playground Manager depending on the nature of the damage. Repairs are monitored by the resident Gardener and/ or the Environment Officer whom ensures this is completed satisfactory.

The children’s play area is inspected by the parks staff and any hazards dealt with – faults with the equipment are rectified by a specialist Playground Maintenance Team. Weekly reports are filed which allow action to be monitored. The playground inspection procedures have recently been revised to ensure we continue to improve and challenge existing procedures (See Appendix 3). Any criminal damage which occurs within the park is reported and logged with the Police, these incidents are discussed at frequent meetings with the local Community Beat Manager (See Appendix 4). Again the resident Gardener and/ or the Environment Officer will monitor that all faults are rectified in a timely manner.

Examples of incidents that have been successfully addressed can be obtained from the Town Managers Office.

An inspection of the grounds is carried out in conjunction with a Health and Safety Advisor to monitor existing procedures and highlight any areas requiring attention.
Recommendations are implemented by the Management Team. Risk Assessments have been undertaken for all maintenance operations within the grounds and suitable work methods developed. In addition a Risk Assessment is carried out prior to any event in the grounds to ensure public and staff safety. (To see the Councils H & S Policy and a Risk Assessment example please see Appendix 5)

Staff are on call seven days a week to respond to any occurrences which may affect the health and safety of visitors, including 24 hour call out system for emergencies involving dangerous trees. Emergencies can be reported by phoning 0161 342 2222 at any time (Minicom 0161 342 3009).

A monthly inspection of the park by the Management Team identifies any general health and safety concerns which are then dealt with appropriately. (See Appendix 6)

Every 6 weeks District Assembly Officers attend a PACT (Partners & Communities Together) meeting which is Police led and includes local agencies and residents. These meetings encourage good community links especially with people in authority.

2. Clean Environment

In line with the Councils Dog Fouling Policy the park operates a policy of 'No Dog Fouling' which is sign posted throughout the park and fencing prevents entry by dogs to the playground. There is a Policy of having no dog bins within the grounds as we expect the owners to clean up and dispose of their dogs foul. The Tameside Patrollers regularly visit this site and will enforce the policy as and when the need arises.

The District Assembly has recently launched a Dog Fouling Campaign and is working closely with the Patrollers to raise awareness amongst dog owners.

A banner is situated at various parks and open spaces around the area and leaflets are distributed to the surrounding properties and also to the dog walkers within the grounds by the Patrollers (See Appendix 7).

The Patrollers will carry out spot checks at the parks and increase their presence at peak dog walking times such as early mornings and evenings.
The Tameside Patrollers whom are employed by Tameside MBC Community Safety Unit, regularly patrol Haughton Green Playing Fields at various times of the day.

Should the need arise, the Patrollers will tackle anti social behavior and issue fixed penalty notices to people who allow their dogs to foul the park and drop litter. Most importantly they build a good rapport with park users which offers a great sense of well being and security.
6. Clean and Well Maintained

The District Assembly is committed to providing a clean and well maintained area for all its visitors.

Objectives:

1. To keep the area free of litter, waste and graffiti
2. To manage and maintain high quality landscape areas
3. Ground, buildings and equipment are well maintained

How the objectives are met:

1. Litter free

The resident Gardener picks up litter on a daily basis and also ensuring litterbins are emptied. Any damaged bins are reported and replaced.

The Tameside Patrollers patrol the grounds regularly and monitor the litter and will secure a fixed penalty notice on any members of the public found dropping their litter.

Graffiti is reported to the relevant service i.e. Playground Team, Operations Manager etc and have a service delivery target of removing any racist/offensive graffiti within 24 hours and all other graffiti on our land/premises within 1 week. *(Please see Appendix 8 for TMBC’s Graffiti Policy)*

2. High quality landscape maintenance

Some of the grass areas are boxed mowed with the larger areas mowed by the ride on. Shrubs and hedges are frequently attended to, three of our Arboriculture Unit carryout ad hoc work as necessary. The resident Gardener also cuts and maintains the bowling green and through the Horticultural CI Group implements landscape improvements.

3. Grounds, building and equipment

The changing rooms are regularly inspected and any repair or improvements work identified is built into a Rolling Programme. In addition to the Assembly’s own budget we also actually seek external funding to further park improvements and where necessary will also submit a bid for the Authorities Capital Programme. Monthly Legionella checks are carried out by the Operations Supervisor and completed log books are kept at Denton Nursery/Depot.
Plant and equipment (mowers etc) is maintained to a high standard in accordance with the Health and Safety Policy, by our Central Team at Tame Street, Stalybridge.

Any faults or damage are reported to the Operations Manager/ Supervisor, Environment Officer or Playground Manager depending on the nature of the damage and this will be monitored to ensure repairs are completed.

The Management Team also carry out a monthly site visit to identify areas for improvement and monitor and log any damage or faults.

**Football Changing Rooms/Staff Cabin**

The day to day cleansing and maintenance is carried out by the park staff, weekend staff during the football season.

Structural and service repairs and maintenance are undertaken via the Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly's budget.
7. Sustainability

In line with its commitment to Local Agenda 21, the Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly continuously takes account of the principles of sustainability in its management of Haughton Green Playing Fields.

Objectives:

1. Pesticide use should be minimised and justified.
2. Peat free should be widely used.
3. Waste material in the grounds should be recycled and support Local Agenda 21.

How the objectives are met:

1. **Use of pesticides**

   Pesticides are not distributed within Haughton Green Playing Fields unless there are no viable alternatives that can be found.

   If herbicides are required a glyphosate based product would be chosen as a last option. The product distribution would be limited and only be used as a spot rather than a blanket cover treatment.

   Glyphosate as an active ingredient is chosen as it is inactivated when it comes in contact with the soil, as a herbicide is a very effective systemic and is far less toxic than other forms of herbicide.

   Insecticides and fungicides are also applied as a last resort within Haughton Green Playing Fields and would only be used on fine, sports turf as a spot treatment if the condition has spread out of control and other methods of treatment have failed.

   All of Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council staff who apply pesticides within Haughton Green Playing Fields have passed their National Proficiency Test Council Pesticide Certificate of Competence, PA1 Foundation Module and PA6 Handheld Applicators.
2. **Using Peat Free**

In recent years Denton Nursery has increasingly reduced its consumption of peat based composts, replacing them with either peat free or peat reduced products. Denton Nursery has carried this out to comply with the Green Flag Award Scheme by using peat free products, but also for sustainability reasons. These reasons include helping to reduce the extraction of peat from our remaining peat-lands and the reuse of recycled composted green waste. Denton Nursery has tried various different peat free or reduced products over the years and are always looking at new alternatives on the market. The Nursery has grown plants for the Green Flag parks using these products for a number of years and has always prided itself on the crops that are produced. At present Denton Nursery only supplies the plants for the Green Flag parks using peat free compost, providing the rest of the borough with plants grown in a peat reduced medium. Hopefully as the growing quality of the medium increases and the cost decreases it will be used more readily throughout Tameside’s parks and land.

3. **Recycling Material**

All arboricultural waste including large trunks are now split and chipped with the resultant chippings used as mulch on planted beds across the borough reducing the use of herbicide.
At present we are un-able to provide on site composting facilities at Haughton Green Playing Fields as it hasn’t been possible to locate a suitable area for the scheme. Although all green waste generated in the park is collected from containers by dedicated Tameside staff to be composted centrally by Greater Manchester Waste. GMW then produce a product that is dark brown in colour, similar to topsoil and consists primarily of organic matter such as vegetable matter, paper, card and mineral substances including stone and grit. The material produced is ideal for composting and improving growing conditions for plants and trees.

Plastic containers used in the growing of bedding plants for the park are either reusable or recyclable, Denton Nursery also trialed peat free Jiffy pots in 2006.

Use of recycled materials in the choice of parks furniture e.g. benches and containers.

Due to the size of the Park and restrictions to vehicle access it is not considered feasible to introduce public recycling facilities within the park but these are available nearby in Denton.

For further information on recycling in Tameside and Local Agenda 21 please see link below:

http://www.tameside.gov.uk/recycling
8. Conservation and Heritage

Haughton Green Playing Fields is a relatively modern site and does not contain any buildings or structures of great heritage value. Nevertheless the cultural heritage of community use of this site shall be maintained via the management of the site by Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly.

There is potential to increase the biodiversity of this site and the Friends Group shall continue to build on the improvements already made via the establishment of the wildlife area, wildflower meadow and the tree planting.

Objectives:

1. To encourage and enhance various habitats such that they achieve their maximum value for wildlife.
2. To manage and maintain the community use of the grounds for the benefit of the whole community.

How the objectives are met:

1. Habitat management

Due to the location and character of the site, the opportunities to provide suitable habitats for wildlife are not as great in Haughton Green Playing Fields as in some other parks. Nevertheless, various practices and initiatives have been introduced to promote the wildlife of the park.

With the virtual elimination of pesticides in the park and the sowing of the wildflower meadows to help encourage a greater variety of insects, which in turn provides more food for birds visiting and nesting in the park. The presence and maintenance of a number of larger trees, in particular native species such as oaks and Ash also increases the food and shelter available to allow a number of birds to live and raise young in the park, including tree planting and bulb planting by local school children. At present no wildlife audits have taken place on the site, but this will be a considered action in the future.

The opportunity to include nectar-bearing plants, plants with seeds and berries and food plants for butterfly and moth caterpillars shall also be considered when restocking shrubberies and other planted areas. The wild flower meadows have been extended during 2009 after their success.
2. Heritage

Up until late 2001 Haughton Green Playing Fields had been a rather bleak, uninteresting site suffering more than its fair share of vandalism and other anti-social behaviour. In early 2002 the Haughton Green Community Forum, in partnership with Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council (TMBC) and Groundwork Tameside, began to plan improvements to the site.

Extensive discussions with local residents showed that the community wanted an attractive, safe site where children could play and where others could meet and socialize and which had facilities for people of all ages. Designs were drawn up and following successful bids for Doorstep Green and Fairshare grants work began in 2004 to transform the site.

On June 12th 2005 the site was officially opened at a Village Fete and Funday by the then Civic Mayor of Tameside Councillor Jackie Lane.

In 2006 the Community Forum and the Friends of Haughton Green Playing Fields entered the site for a Green Pennant Award. This award is granted by the Civic Trust to parks and other green spaces which are managed to a high standard, by the community, in line with Green Flag criteria.

The playing fields were judged in the early summer of 2007 and the Civic Trust kindly awarded a Green Pennant to the site. Members of the Community Forum travelled to Leeds, The Royal Armouries, to accept the award at the National Ceremony.

In 2008 the site was judged for the first time both for the Green Flag Award and the Green Pennant Award, becoming the first site in the scheme to receive both awards. The Green Flag was judged on the playing fields omitting the Green Park Centre and Bowling Green, with the Pennant being judged on the Bowling Green and Green Park Centre. This is an achievement that both the Community Forum and Denton & Audenshaw District Assembly are extremely proud of.
9. Community Involvement

Haughton Green Playing Fields exists for the benefit of the local community and Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly is keen to encourage all members of the community to use the park and feel it is ‘their’ park.

Objectives:

1. To capture and use the views of the community.
2. To involve the community in the management of the area.
3. To arrange various events for the community to enjoy.

How the objectives are met:

1. Views of the community

Although it is already a popular and well-used park, it is important to keep in touch with the ideas and needs of local people.

In order to draw up meaningful proposals for management of the park consultation is essential to identify the views of local residents, park users and visitors alike. In addition to the wider consultation carried out for policies such as the Community Strategy we have gained the views of residents regarding parks in a number of ways:

- Citizen 2000 panel July 2004, December 2005 and 2007/8 – overall, statistical view of the use of parks and playing fields generally by TMBC Policy and Equality Unit. Further details on the panel may be viewed on the following link:
- Individual customer surveys carried out in Haughton Green Playing Fields in June 2007.
- Formal and informal discussions with particular interest groups and their members including the Haughton Green Community Centre, Bowling Clubs and Friends of Haughton Green Playing Fields.
- Enquiries made at Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly meetings.
- Views gained via the Council's Corporate Complaints system.
The main points highlighted in these surveys were:

2006/7 - AGMA (Association of Greater Manchester Authorities) - Satisfaction with parks and open spaces survey. An independent survey carried out on residents of the borough to ascertain their satisfaction with parks and open spaces. Satisfaction overall was 68%

2007/8 - Citizen Panel survey of residents on satisfaction with local parks and open spaces. The questions were based on Green Flag criteria and the survey showed satisfaction level of 87% - a 15% improvement on a similar survey in 2004.

Results from all these surveys are taken into account by the Town Manager and his team when planning improvements and new developments within the park.
2. Community involvement

The community is at the heart of the management and development of the site as demonstrated by developments over the past few years and this shall continue. In order to draw together representatives from a range of different users of the park, the A ‘Friends of Haughton Green Playing Fields’ has been established. This is based at the Green Park Centre and is supported both by Tameside MBC and Tameside Third Sector Coalition (T3SC) – an independent community support organisation and network. The group was set up in 2006 with its own constitution. As well as discussing the park and its use with the Town Manager and his team, friends groups are often able to apply for funds to improve the park which are not available to the local Council and the Friends of Haughton Green Playing Fields has successfully obtained funding for additional park furniture and play equipment which is extremely popular with older children and youths. New members to the group are always welcome and anyone interested in joining should contact the Denton and Audenshaw Town Manager.

Haughton Green Playing Fields, has now been fortunate to be accredited with a Green Pennant since 2006 and the Green Flag Award from 2008. The Green Flag Award does not include the bowling green and the Green Park Centre which is put forward as a Green Pennant.
3. Community Events in the Park

The park already attracts a wide range of visitors to its facilities – Bowling Teams are based and play at the park, children and their parents enjoy visits to the playground, older children and youths make use of the multi-sports area for informal sports and as a meeting place and the park is used by many people as a pleasant place to relax and enjoy the attractive surroundings.

![Before and After](image)

Organizations such as local schools and the adjacent Haughton Green Community Centre make use of the park, as well as the walking club who regularly use the site for its activities. The Green Park Centre, being based in the park also encourages the use of the facilities within the playing fields as well as an annual funday organised by the Community Forum.

Bowling Tuition- regularly takes place on a weekly basis at the bowling green within the park, tuition is free from a qualified instructor and caters for ages of 5 and above. (To see the leaflet please see Appendix 9).

The Community Payback Team have also recently painted the railings along the rear of the playing fields which have improved the appearance and makes the park a more inviting place to visit.

![Before and After](image)
10. Marketing

The District Assembly is keen to ensure that local residents are kept informed about the park and its development and also that people around Tameside are made aware of the park and encouraged to visit.

Objectives:

1. To provide a range of information to promote Haughton Green Playing Fields.

How the objectives are met:

1. Providing a range of information

Opportunities are taken to promote the park in a variety of ways including:

Tameside MBC website – Information on the Park and its facilities along with the Green Flag management plan are listed on the public website: www.tameside.gov.uk/parks

News and developments regarding the park are regularly presented to and discussed at the District Assembly meetings. Minutes of the meetings are available to view on the link below: www.tameside.gov.uk/districtassembly/dentonaudenshaw

A poster containing information on parks with in Denton & Audenshaw District Assembly is displayed with in the park notice boards.

In association with the Tameside Third Sector Coalition (T3SC), Tameside MBC supports the Independent Network for Green and Open Spaces Tameside (INGOST). This is a network of community groups, which meet to promote green spaces across Tameside. At events organised by INGOST, opportunities are taken to promote the Borough's parks including Haughton Green Playing Fields.

Tameside ‘What's On' is an Authority wide publication which includes Haughton Green Playing Fields an events venue.

The Tameside Reporter and Advertiser are both used for articles and advertisements about the park.
11. Management

Management of the Park

Responsibility for the overall management of Haughton Green Playing Fields lies with the Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly under the direction of the Denton, Audenshaw & Dukinfield Town Manager.

The Assistant Town Manager is assisted in the management of the park by his team including an Environmental Officer who is responsible for day to day management of green spaces in the Town, an Operations Manager responsible for grounds maintenance work on all green sites and administrative assistance.

This management team, along with the grounds senior Gardener, hold a monthly meeting at the park, at which ongoing maintenance and future developments are planned and monitored.

All current and proposed work and events within the grounds are included within the Denton and Audenshaw Town Plan produced each year by the Town Manager and agreed by the District Assembly. The individual Town Plans in turn are incorporated into the wider Business Plan, which covers the whole of Tameside's District Assembly Service.

The Town Plan for Denton and Audenshaw may be viewed at the link below:

http://www.tameside.gov.uk/tmbc1/auddentownplan.pdf

Resources for the Park

The greater part of the costs associated with management of the park are covered and controlled by the Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly in line with Tameside MBC's aim of giving responsibility for local matters to local people via the District Assemblies.

Budgets held by the District Assembly Service for specialist areas such as children's play or tree maintenance may, at times, be directed towards the grounds for specific projects. If larger works are needed which fall outside the scope of the District Assembly's budget, applications may be made to the Council's capital programme and finally, opportunities are also taken, wherever possible, to apply for funds via outside grant schemes such as the Big Lottery Fund.
Park Staff

The majority of work within the grounds is carried out by the Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly’s own staff.

The park is currently maintained by one full time member of staff with the support of the grounds maintenance team as required. Specialist staff from the Arboriculture Unit and Playground Maintenance Team carry out ad hoc work as necessary. Tameside Patrollers make periodic visits to the grounds and take the lead in enforcing dog fouling byelaws.

Training

The Council as a whole, and this includes Haughton Green Playing Fields, has been awarded Investors in People. Under this all staff receive annual development reviews, which identify employee objectives and in turn training needs, which are built into subsequent Business Plans.

The training needs take into account the skills required to manage Haughton Green Playing Fields and the Council has a central training budget, with a proportion being allocated to the District Assemblies.

Putting it into Practice

Information from the Community Strategy and other policies, the Green Flag criteria and Green Pennant judge’s reports and feedback from our customer surveys have all provided guidance on managing Haughton Green Playing Fields, but to be worthwhile, all this information has to be put into practice in the park. In order to do this an action plan has been developed setting out proposals for the park for the next three years. (See Appendix 10)

Review of the Management Plan

It is intended that this plan be a working document and, as such, shall be amended as opportunities arise to carry out improvements within the grounds or if changing circumstances affect the existing proposals. The plan will also be reviewed annually.

The purpose of this plan is to help provide a welcoming recreational facility for the residents and visitors of Haughton Green and the wider area. Any comments or suggestions from park users, local residents, community groups, the business community or other interested groups or individuals would be most welcome and may be forwarded to the Denton, Audenshaw and Dukinfield Assistant Town Manager at Denton Town Hall, Market Street, Denton M34 2AP
Tel:-0161 342 2704 Email:-nick.sayers@tameside.gov.uk

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Tameside Council is committed to the principles of sustainable development and is striving to improve the quality of life of those living, working and visiting the area both now and in the future. Through the provision of services it aims to contribute to the objectives of the UK Strategy for Sustainable Development, which seeks to achieve:

- Social progress that meets the needs of everyone.
- Effective protection of the environment.
- Prudent use of natural resources.
- Maintenance of high and stable levels of economic growth and employment.

Tameside MBC has produced a ‘Quality of Life Strategy’ which sets out an action plan to implement the Local Agenda 21 principles. This covers all aspects of the Councils responsibilities including the built environment, the natural environment, waste management and pollution. It is against the background of this strategy that the following guiding principles for Haughton Green Playing Fields have been developed.

**Guiding Principles**

In its management of the facilities provided at Haughton Green Playing Fields the Council undertakes to:

- Reduce the consumption of natural resources, especially energy and water.
- Where feasible, substitute non-renewable resources with renewable ones.
- Minimise the production wastes.
- Reuse and recycle wastes.
- Release wastes only in forms which natural processes can assimilate.
- Prevent pollution by minimising the use of chemicals.
- Preserve and where possible increase the variety and diversity of species and habitats.
- Protect natural and built up physical assets and amenities that once damaged would be impossible, difficult or very slow to restore and recreate.
- Encourage sustainable modes of travel to and from the park.
- Ensure all facilities are accessible to all members of the public.
- Maintain a clean, safe and secure environment.
- Establish mechanisms for continual liaison with users of the Park.
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Please include damage to buildings, street furniture, floral displays, trees/saplings, shrubs, vehicles or machinery, bowling greens, grassed areas, play equipment etc.

Return the completed form to  [ian.cochrane2@tameside.gov.uk](mailto:ian.cochrane2@tameside.gov.uk)
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HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

The Council accepts its responsibilities as an employer to ensure as far as reasonably practicable the health, safety and welfare of its employees, those in its care and anyone else who may be affected by its activities.

To comply with the statement of policy, the Council has these objectives;
- To set and keep high standards of health and safety at its workplaces and for staff undertaking duties for the Council;
- To identify risks and set up programmes to remove or reduce these risks;
- To ensure that all staff know about these standards;
- To ensure that all staff receive the necessary information, instruction and training to enable them to work safely;
- To ensure that relevant information on health, safety and welfare issues is passed on and discussed;
- To monitor and review working practices at each workplace, office or other location;
- To ensure that staff are empowered to contribute positively to their own and others' health, safety and well-being.

The Council;
- Has the main responsibility for overseeing policy, considering and introducing changes.

The Chief Executive;
- Fully endorses this policy.
- Has appointed competent people to advise the Council on measures needed to meet the law and check the implementation of this policy.
- Requires an annual report from each Strategic Director on health, safety and welfare matters including problems, developments and achievements within their Service Groups.

Strategic Directors and Heads of Service;
- Will ensure that Service Group health and safety policies are prepared and revised as often as necessary. The Service policies will identify all managers with responsibility for health, safety and welfare and state what their responsibilities are.
- Will ensure that effective arrangements exist to identify hazards and assess associated risks within their Service and to take suitable steps to remove or reduce significant risks.
- Will ensure there are suitable arrangements to help managers and supervisors follow the Service Policy.
- Will ensure that all employees within the Service Group know about the Council and Service Policies.
- Will ensure that all accidents, incidents and near misses, within their responsibility, are reported.
- Will review all reports, ensuring that a full investigation is carried out and action taken where necessary.
- Will ensure that the Chief Executive receives an annual report on all health, safety and welfare matters within their Service Group.

Head of People and Performance;
- Will carry out the day-to-day communication of general health and safety advice, the update of policies and procedures arising from Regulations and the review of the
Council’s Health and Safety Policies. The Head of People and Performance will also ensure that inspections and review Audits take place as necessary.

Employees;
All staff must;
- Take all reasonable care for the health, safety and welfare of themselves and others affected by their work.
- Co-operate in meeting the needs of all health and safety legislation, related codes of practice and safety instructions.
- Avoid doing anything which could be a danger to themselves or others.
- Immediately bring to the attention of their line manager or supervisor any situation or practice which may lead to injury or ill-health.
- Ensure they use and store correctly any equipment.
- Accept responsibility for good housekeeping in the area in which they are working.
- Report all accidents, dangerous incidents and near misses.

Safety Representatives;
The role of the Safety Representative is to
- Attend joint meetings when health and safety matters are under consideration.
- Carry out periodic inspections to identify unsafe equipment, working conditions, practices and fire hazards and recommend improvements.
- Help with Risk Assessments.
- Help with Accident Investigations.
- Consult with Managers on all issues about Health, Safety and Welfare.

Contractors
- All contractors working for the Council must comply with appropriate rules governing their work. Contractors are legally responsible for their own workforce and for ensuring they work safely.

Complaints
Staff making a safety complaint should follow this procedure:
- The employee must approach their line manager with the complaint.
- If the problem is not solved within a reasonable period of time, the employee and appropriate safety representative should jointly approach the manager.
- If the Safety Representative fails to get a satisfactory response, considering the nature of the complaint, time and costs to put it right, he or she must complete a Safety Representatives Inspection and Report form for the appropriate Director’s attention.
- The employee or safety representative can directly refer a complaint to the Head of People and Performance if it is urgent.

The Council will review this policy at least every 3 years to make sure it reflects changes in the organisation and safety and welfare legislation, taking into account guidance from the Health and Safety Executive

Janet Callender
Chief Executive

Date: 18th September 2007
### Risk Assessment Example

**TAMESIDE METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**DISTRICT ASSEMBLIES**

**RECORD OF RISK ASSESSMENT**

**Division:** Grounds Maintenance  
**Location:** Throughout Tameside

**Subject of Assessment:**  
Watering Hanging Baskets

**Persons/Group at Risk:**  
Grounds Maintenance Personnel/General Public

**Date:** 25/09/99  
**Assessor:** Jim Armstrong

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High visibility jackets must be worn.  
Reporting procedures in place. |
| 2. Vehicle Faults | Reporting procedures in place  
Regular servicing & maintenance. |
| 3. Water Bowser | Secured to vehicle. |
| 4. Bowser Operator | Telescopic lances enable watering from footpath.  
Operators must be secured by a harness if watering from vehicle back.  
Provided with ladder to mount/dismount vehicle back. |
| 5. General Public | Public allowed to pass unhindered on footpaths.  
Verbal warnings provided.  
Customer care training.  
Hazard warning lights/beacons deployed. |
| 6. Plant Food | Protective clothing provided.  
COSHH assessments available. |
| 7. Slips/Trips/Falls | First Aid equipment with each vehicle.  
Qualified First Aid staff. |
| 8. Fire | Fire extinguishers available on each vehicle.  
Extinguishers colour coded, staff advised of their use. |
Monthly Management Team Inspection

HAUGHTON GREEN PLAYING FIELDS

WALKABOUT

HELD ON TUESDAY 24\textsuperscript{th} NOVEMBER 2009

Present: LH, DC, FH & LE

Apologies: NS & DB

\begin{itemize}
\item Bowling Green maintenance outstanding
\item Graffiti on 1st seat bench in woodland area. 2\textsuperscript{nd} seat bench need removing as it’s burnt out
\item Footpath needs edging off
\item Tatton Road footpath still needs strimming and litter picking
\item All dead trees have been removed
\item Notice Board at Reid Close entrance needs painting
\item Burnt out picnic bench and tree needs removing
\item Graffiti on shutter at the Green Centre
\item Shrubbery nearly all mulched, another half load of woodchip required to compete job
\item Car park lights not working
\end{itemize}

\textbf{Date of Next Meeting: 22\textsuperscript{nd} December 2009 at 9.00am}
MAN’S BEST FRIEND...
LET’S KEEP IT THAT WAY!

Dog fouling doesn’t just make Tameside’s streets and parks look filthy. Not cleaning up after your dog could cost you a £30 spot fine. This could rise to a £1,000 penalty in court if you don’t comply.

Dog mess is dangerous too – it contains germs that can cause blindness. Be sure to clean up after your pet!

PICK IT UP OR PAY UP

Tameside Metropolitan Borough
GRAFITTI REMOVAL

1. **Reporting of incidents**

1.1 Incidents to be reported to Town Manager’s office in first instance.

2. **Action to be taken**

2.1 Council Owned property and land

- Local District Assemblies office to assess and arrange for graffiti removal.
- Seek approval of service area which is landlord for premises (if not DA land/premises) in order to recoup cost of graffiti removal.
- Damage to be recorded on criminal damage report.
- Photographic evidence to be taken of graffiti and retained by area office.

2.2 Private Property

- District Assembly area office staff to arrange for Indemnity Form to be signed by owner of property (copy form attached).
- Copy of Indemnity Form to be sent to Ian Cochrane for details to be added to graffiti database on District Assemblies shared drive.
- Details forwarded to Peter Hadfield for Cleansweep Team to carry out assessment of work required.
- Photographic evidence to be taken of graffiti.
- Decision taken on whether work to be carried out by Cleansweep Team or contractor.
- Photographic evidence to be taken of property after graffiti is removed.
- Each District Assembly to be allocated its own cost code and budget (£5k pa).

3. **Appointment of Council’s “nominated contractor”**

3.1 IC to seek quotations from a minimum of 3 suppliers for the carrying out of graffiti removal works on behalf of the Council.

3.2 Quotation seeking a day rate for graffiti removal works.

3.3 Need to ensure tender documentation and contract requires the “nominated contractor” to sign indemnity to protect Council against third party claim from any damage caused to private property by the contractor.


4.1 Need to carry out risk assessment for graffiti removal.

4.2 Also need to ensure we have safe working practices documented for graffiti removal – to use safe working practices document for chewing gum removal as the starting point.
Graffiti Removal Service Indemnity Form

Please use BLOCK CAPITALS.

Name: ..............................................................................................................

Address: ...........................................................................................................

Post Code: ...........................................................................................................

Daytime Tel.No.: ..................................................................................................

Evening Tel.No.: ..................................................................................................

I/We request Tameside Metropolitan Borough Council to remove graffiti at the above address (or if not above address),

Location of Graffiti: (Address)

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• I understand that the Council will not accept any liability or any claim in the unlikely event of damages occurring to property directly or indirectly as a result of any graffiti removal work. I also agree to indemnify the Council against any claim made against property that arises directly or indirectly as a result of any graffiti removal work on my property.
• I understand there is a small risk of damage to pointing and fading of paint as a result of graffiti work on my property.
• I confirm that I am the owner of the property.

Signed:................................................................. Date:.................................

Post to: District Assemblies, Parks and Land Management Section, Tameside MBC, Council Offices, Wellington Road, Ashton-under-Lyne OL6 6DL
Wish to play Crown Green Bowls?

Every Tuesday from 7th August there will be a qualified Coach instructing on Haughton Green Playing Fields Bowling Green
6.30—8.30pm
For aged 5 and upwards
Flat footwear required, all other equipment free!

For more information please call Charlie Cooper on 0161 285 9291

## Appendix 10

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