

## **ALICE PARK TRUST COMMITTEE**

### **ALICE PARK PLAN DEVELOPMENT - 7 JULY 2018**

This is the amalgamation and summary of all the ideas recorded from the Trustees visit to the park last Saturday. It forms the basis for our plan going forward. Most items were agreed in common by all three groups but those items in red are not agreed and need resolution. Priorities also need discussion.

#### **OVERALL AIM OF THE PLAN**

The overall aim of this plan is to:

- Increase use of the park through improving quality and range of facilities
- Enhance and feature the heritage of the park to create interest and volunteering
- Improve housekeeping and maintenance
- Close the gap between costs and income to make park more sustainable
- Improve disability access

This will be achieved by reinforcing the park's 1930 heritage and brand, clearly highlighting the current and future facilities and agreeing a clear marketing plan and communication strategy to work alongside this re-development plan.

#### **FUNDING**

A total of £170,000 is available to the park as follows:

- £25,000 for park improvements
- £43,000 for pathways from CIL
- £72,000 for the skate park and a further local community contribution of £30,000 making a total of £102,000
- An unknown fund as part of BANES wide development of tennis facilities by the LTA and BANES CIL

Know contribution funding is available with immediate effect. The LTA fund is being negotiated.

AREA	REF	SUGGESTED IMPROVEMENT	UP-KEEP	MAINT	DEV	PRIORIT Y
Entrance	1	Regular sweeping and strimming around entrance gates, fences and car park, regular litter picking. Ensure all fly-posting on railings is removed. Measures to prevent weed growth.	X			A
	2	Renew line marking for all bays including Disabled bay.		X		B
	3	Notice board(s) to be moved inside park before pathways and made weatherproof/enclosed.			X	A
		<b>PARK STRUCTURES &amp; FIXTURES</b>				
Benches	4	Refurbish all benches in need of repairs and replacement. To include replacement of rotted wooden slats. Repair the flagstone plinths to benches against hedging in the memorial area.		X		A
	5	Re-site the 2 benches adjacent to the cycle area to face the cycle area, use shade where possible.			X	A
	6	Consider installation of 2-3 BBQ benches around the park.			X	B
Shelter	7	Repair roof tiling and timber structure and repaint with agreed Alice Park heritage coloured gloss paint.		X		A

Pathways	8	Join up pathways around back of tennis courts and in front of Boules area. Provide short paths to neared benches for disabled access. Carry out pathway repairs as necessary to ensure smooth surface.		X	X	A
	9	Consider a guard across the path in the interest of safety at the southern entrance to park.			X	A
Tennis Hut	10	<b>Repair and upgrade tennis hut in the interests of safety and to prevent further deterioration. Alternatively, wait for the LTA deal.</b>		X		B
Waste Collection Bins		Standardise all waste bins, replace burnt out bin. Consider a waste segregation to facilitate recycling.			X	B
		Consider upgrading of the dog bins or repainting, rebranding.		X		B
		<b>PARK HERITAGE</b>				
Park Heritage Map		Consider annotated map of the park with keep feature and historical interest.			X	A
Heritage Signage		Repair bent bronze Alice MacVicar sign and replace supporting cross member.		X		A
Lilly Pond		Restore pond water circulation, top up water, improve planting to cool water. Alternatively, consider moving of pond and replacement by Boules Terrain. <b>This is not agreed by all trustees and will need further consideration and discussion.</b>			X	B

Lilly Pond Area		Consider fencing across the area to the pond to create a quiet area, improve child safety and keep dogs out. Consider flower beds adjacent to fencing looked after by volunteers.			X	B
		Consider a historical information board on Col W B Ritchie DSO adjacent to the Lilly Pond.			X	A
WW1 Monument		Improve this feature so the plaque can be read. Upgrade the flower beds to raised beds, to be maintained by local volunteers.			X	B
Memorial to Suffragettes		Re-align memorial stone so the plaque can be read and consider provision of an information board.			X	B
Flag Pole		Consider a flag pole as required by park transfer covenant and purchase suitable logo flag to be flown on Alice MacVicar's birthday.			X	A
Park Brand		Replacing all signage with AP branding from BANES branding to establish and reinforce the park heritage.				
		<b>PARK FACILITIES</b>				
Toilets		Re-paint/touch up marked entrance doors. Make repairs to woodwork near water tap.		X		A
		Consider free access to toilets? Needs discussion with Officers in respect to BANES contract arrangements.			X	

Cycle Circuit		Re-line direction white lining		X		A
		Consider installation of road signs to enhance learning potential			X	B
Play Area		Upgrade play equipment with installation of new piece of equipment in the circular bark covered area. <b>Consider a water play feature.</b>			X	A
		Increase seating/benches in the play area.			X	A
Multi-Gym/Rustic Adventure Play Area		Consider installation of a fitness trainer and/or Rustic Adventure Play Area on little used A4 road area adjacent to kids cycle area.			X	B
Tennis Courts		Continue to pursue upgrade opportunity with LTA with development of a Plan B if this does not materialise. This might include creation of a multi-sport area within one of the courts. Needs further discussion.			X	A
Boules Terrain		Increase the size of the terrain as requested by Bath Boules.			X	B

		Consider moving this to the pond area. This will need further discussion as it is not agreed by all Trustees or Bath Boules who have commented that they would ideally rather be closer to the cafe.			X	A
Skate Park		Construct Skate Park in South West corner of park below play area.			X	A
		<p>This area is funded from the skate park fund and will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Its segregation from the existing play area by fencing</li> <li>• Creation of a new park entrance</li> <li>• Any alterations to paths of gates</li> </ul>			X	A
		<b>PARK AGRONOMY</b>				
Hedges and Boundary Bush Planting		Improve the up keep of hedges and boundary planting, weed out brambles and alien plants and weeds. Consider use of volunteers.	X			
Pathways and edges of tennis courts		Weeding current pathways and maintain weed free, apply weed-killer.	X	X		A
Shrub beds near toilets		Encourage Cafe to take on this and improve and maintain them.		X		B