

# PARK QUALITY ASSSESSMENTS 2015

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#### 1 Introduction

Edinburgh values its reputation as one of the most beautiful cities in Europe, renowned for its setting, history and built heritage. Parks and greenspaces are integral to this. They serve as a stage for our public lives and are settings where celebrations are held, where social exchanges take place, where friends mix, where cultures run into each other, where nature thrives, and where people revive themselves from the stresses of urban living.

The Parks and Greenspace Service is committed to providing quality parks for residents and visitors alike. There are five qualities that make a park great, and that drive the work of the Parks and Greenspace Service: They must be full of activity and invite affection. They must also be visible and accessible as well as being comfortable and safe. They also need to be places you can count on, no matter if you visit the park every day or once a year.

Using the Green Flag judging criteria all of Edinburgh's parks are assessed on an annual basis and a Parks Quality Score is produced for each site. These scores are compared to the Edinburgh Minimum Standard which has been developed to benchmark our parks and record how they are improving.

In Edinburgh the involvement of local residents through a network of Friends groups is well established. Depending on their capacity, sites host both major and local events and activities, offering a wide range of attractions to families and individuals from a diverse community.

The Parks and Greenspace Service ensures that Edinburgh's parks and greenspaces are clean, safe, colourful and diverse; they will be the setting for activities and celebrations; be well-known for their features, history and "happenings"; and be locally valued and used.

To this end our vision is:

"A quality parks system worthy of international comparison; accessible, diverse and environmentally rich; which fulfils the cultural, social and recreational needs of the people".



Spylaw Park

#### 2 Methodology

#### 2.1 Green Flag

The Green Flag Award is the national standard for parks and green spaces. The award scheme began in 1996 as a means of recognising and rewarding the best green spaces in the country. It was also seen as a way of encouraging others to achieve the same high environmental standards, creating a benchmark of excellence in recreational green areas.



#### 2.2 Criteria used

Whilst the Green Flag Award contains both desk and field research, this project was limited to site based assessments carried out by Council officers, external partners and members of the community trained in assessing parks using Green Flag criteria. Thus the final 'Parks Quality Score' (PQS) should not be read as the site's score against the Green Flag Award but should be used for indicative purposes only.

Although some criteria are difficult to assess during a field visit, the Green Flag Forum evaluated certain criteria in a desktop exercise and provided guidance for allocating scores. Site managers are asked to score the 'desktop' criteria on an annual basis.

Listed below are the criteria that were used in the quality assessments:

#### **A Welcoming Park**

- Welcoming
- Good and safe access
- Signage
- Equal access for all

#### Healthy, Safe and Secure

- Safe equipment facilities
- Personal security in park
- Dog fouling
- Appropriate provision of facilities
- Quality of facilities

#### **Clean and Well Maintained**

- Litter and waste management
- Grounds maintenance and horticulture
- Buildings and infrastructure maintenance
- Equipment maintenance

#### Sustainability

- Environmental sustainability energy and natural resource conservation, pollution (*Desktop Assessment*)
- Pesticides (Desktop Assessment)
- Peat use (Desktop Assessment)
- Waste minimisation (*Desktop Assessment*)
- Arboriculture and oodland management

#### **Conservation and Heritage**

- Conservation of natural features, wild fauna and flora
- Conservation of landscape features (Desktop Assessment)
- Conservation of buildings and structures

#### **Community Involvement**

- Appropriate provision for the community (*Desktop Assessment*)
- Community involvement in management and development including outreach work (*Desktop* Assessment)

#### Marketing

- Marketing and promotion (*Desktop Assessment*)
- Provision of appropriate information
- Provision of appropriate educational interpretation/information

#### Those not currently used are

#### Management

• Implementation of the management plan

#### 2.3 Scoring of Criteria

Each individual criterion was scored out of 10. Criteria that did not apply to a particular site - e.g. 'conservation of buildings or structures' on a site where no buildings or structures are present - were scored as not applicable and were therefore not included in the total score or average calculations.

The Parks & Greenspace Forum agreed to use the scoring system below to assess their sites.

Score	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Bandwidth	N/A	Very	Low	Mid	High		High	Good	Very	Excellent	Exceptional
		Poor	Poor	Poor	Poor	Fair	Fair		Good		

#### 2.4 Park Quality Score

Park quality scores were obtained by adding together all the criteria scores and dividing the total by the number of applicable criteria resulting in an average score. This score is then multiplied by 100 to obtain a Park Quality Score (PQS). The maximum score available was therefore 100% for each site.

#### 2.5 Variance

In an attempt to ensure that a consistent and accurate score for each site was achieved, assessment teams are led by an experienced officer who in most cases is also a formal Green Flag Award judge. There was also additional guidance included in the assessment documentation. Scores and comments from the previous year's assessment, along with improvements carried out over the last 12 months were also provided to assessors so as to provide a starting point, with improvements and deterioration in quality reflected in the scoring.

Each site was assessed once by a team of assessors.

#### 2.6 Bandwidth Scoring

The system used in 2009 saw the introduction of bandwidths. This was to accommodate the natural variance of assessors both in terms of reliability and repeatability. The accepted variance of 10% meant that the forum opted for bandwidths instead of a % score. The forum went one step further and instead of simply creating a bandwidth for scores out of 100%, they looked at each type of park and allocated bandwidths based on the expected quality and appropriateness of each type of site.

In addition to the bandwidths it was agreed that there should be a minimum level of quality for each type of park and as a result the Edinburgh Minimum Standard was set at the 'Good' bandwidth for most park types. The exceptions were Premier Parks and Natural Parks where it was argued that the sites could be judged as good even though they did not meet the Minimum Standard score and it was agreed to introduce a 'Good+' bandwidth for these two classifications to show where the standard was met.

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Classification	Poor	Fair	Good	Std	Good +	Very Good	Excellent
Premier Park	35% - 49%	50% - 64%	65% - 69%	70%	70% - 74%	75% - 84%	85% +
City Park	25% - 39%	40% - 49%	50% - 59%	50%		60% - 69%	70% +
Community Park	20% - 34%	35% - 44%	45% - 54%	45%		55% - 64%	65% +
Recreation Ground	15% - 29%	30% - 39%	40% - 49%	40%		50% - 59%	60% +
Gardens	25% - 39%	40% - 49%	50% - 59%	50%		60% - 69%	70% +
Natural	30% - 44%	45% - 54%	55% - 59%	60%	60% - 64%	65% - 74%	75% +
Cemeteries	25% - 39%	40% - 49%	50% - 59%	50%		60% - 69%	70% +

The table below shows the park classifications and bandwidths agreed.

#### 2.7 Sites

Due to the reinstatement of Atholl Crescent and Coates Crecent following Tram works it was agreed that again these sites would <u>not</u> be assessed in 2015. Buttercup Farm park is a newly created park in the West of the city and has been added to the assessment list for 2015.

#### Sites excluded from the assessment list for 2015

#### Atholl Crescent (City Centre & Leith Neighbourhood) Coates Crescent (City Centre & Leith Neighbourhood)

#### Sites added to the assessment list for 2015

#### Buttercup Farm Park (West Neighbourhood)

In 2010, as part of the Open Space Strategy and to ensure that Edinburgh complied with the Green Flag Authority Group Award approach (see section 6.1) to assess all accessible green spaces, it was decided that Cemeteries should be assessed using the Green Flag criteria. Assessments were undertaken of 32 cemeteries in 2010, 2011 and 2012. A proposal was made in 2013 that Cemeteries would no longer be assessed due to the unchanging nature of many of the sites, unless specific sites are identified for improvement or Green Flag Award but would not form part of any area calculations.

In total **138 sites** were identified to be assessed in 2015.



Buttercup Farm Park which was added to the assessment list in 2015

#### 2.8 Assessors

This year saw 14 teams undertake the assessments between April and July. Each team was made up from an experienced lead officer (in most cases a formal Green Flag judge) with up to four assistant assessors. Assistants were made up from Council officers and members of the community.

Awareness of the Green Flag scheme and guidance on scoring criteria was provided for all new assessors.

In total 53 assessors were used to carry out this year's assessments and since 2008, 136 assessors have taken part with many being involved for two or more years.

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Parks & Greenspace	17	25	12	10	10	13	22	19
Neighbourhood Staff	7	20	21	14	14	19	25	15
Other Council Staff	0	6	5	4	4	9	7	10
External	1	3	3	1	0	0	0	0
Community Members	0	10	10	6	12	6	15	9
Total	25	64	51	35	40	47	69	53

The table below shows the number of assessors taking part each year since 2008



Colinton & Craiglockhart Dells

#### **3** Performance Results

#### 3.1 Bandwidth Summary

The tables below show a summary of the bandwidths for 2015.

#### Classification

	No of				ery								
Classification	Sites	Exce	ellent	G	ood	Go	od+	G	ood	Fa	air	Po	or
Premier Parks	6	0	0%	0	0%	3	50%	1	17%	2	33%	0	0%
City Parks	12	0	0%	8	67%	n	/a	4	33%	0	0%	0	0%
Community Parks	80	23	29%	39	49%	n	/a	16	20%	2	3%	0	0%
Rec. Grounds	6	1	17%	2	33%	n	/a	3	50%	0	0%	0	0%
Gardens	15	3	20%	6	40%	n	/a	5	33%	1	7%	0	0%
Natural Parks	19	2	11%	12	63%	3	16%	1	5%	1	5%	0	0%
Citywide	138	29	21%	67	<b>49%</b>	6	4%	30	22%	6	4%	0	0%

#### Neighbourhood

Neighbourhood	No of Sites	Exce	ellent		ery ood	Goo	od+	G	bod	Fa	air	Po	or
CC & Leith	19	3	16%	3	16%	1	5%	8	42%	4	21%	0	0%
East	22	5	23%	10	46%	1	5%	5	23%	1	5%	0	0%
North	15	2	13%	9	60%	1	7%	3	20%	0	0%	0	0%
South	23	10	43%	12	52%	1	4%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
South West	30	7	23%	13	43%	0	0%	9	30%	1	3%	0	0%
West	29	2	7%	20	69%	2	7%	5	17%	0	0%	0	0%
Citywide	138	29	21%	67	<b>49%</b>	6	4%	30	22%	6	4%	0	0%

#### 3.2 Short Term Trend

The tables below and overleaf show a summary of the site bandwidth trends against the 2014 site results.

#### Classification

Classification	No of Sites	Impro	oved	Deterio	rated	Sta	tic	New	V
Premier Parks	6	2	33%	0	0%	4	67%	0	0%
City Parks	12	2	17%	1	8%	9	75%	0	0%
Community Parks	80	17	21%	9	11%	53	66%	1	1%
Recreation Grounds	6	0	0%	0	0%	6	100%	0	0%
Gardens	15	4	27%	0	0%	11	73%	0	0%
Natural Parks	19	4	21%	1	5%	14	74%	0	0%
Citywide	138	29	21%	11	8%	97	70%	1	1%

#### Neighbourhood

Neighbourhood	No of Sites	Impro	oved	Deterio	orated	Stat	tic	New	V
City Centre & Leith	19	3	16%	4	21%	12	63%	0	0%
East	22	2	9%	2	9%	18	82%	0	0%
North	15	3	20%	1	7%	11	73%	0	0%
South	23	7	30%	1	4%	15	65%	0	0%
South West	30	8	27%	2	7%	20	67%	0	0%
West	29	6	21%	1	3%	21	72%	1	1%
Citywide	138	29	21%	11	8%	97	70%	1	1%

#### 3.3 Park Quality Score Averages

The tables and graph below and overleaf show the average PQS score over the last five years.

#### Classification

Classification	No of Sites	2011 Avg PQS	2012 Avg PQS	2013 Avg PQS	2014 Avg PQS	2015 Avg PQS	Trend
Premier Parks	6	65%	65%	67%	66%	67%	1
City Parks	12	58%	60%	61%	59%	63%	1
Comm. Parks	80	54%	56%	58%	59%	60%	1
Rec. Grounds	6	48%	49%	50%	52%	54%	<b>•</b>
Gardens	15	57%	58%	58%	59%	61%	1
Natural Parks	19	63%	65%	64%	65%	67%	<b>•</b>
Citywide	138	56%	57%	59%	60%	62%	1

#### **Neighbourhood Areas**

Neighbourhood	No of Sites	2011 Avg PQS	2012 Avg PQS	2013 Avg PQS	2014 Avg PQS	2015 Avg PQS	Trend
CC & Leith	19	56%	57%	57%	58%	58%	→ <del>←</del>
East	22	55%	55%	58%	59%	60%	1
North	15	57%	60%	62%	61%	63%	1
South	23	59%	60%	62%	65%	67%	1
South West	30	54%	56%	58%	58%	61%	1
West	29	56%	57%	58%	59%	61%	1
Citywide	138	56%	57%	59%	60%	62%	1

■ 2011 ■ 2012 ■ 2013 ■ 2014 ■ 2015



### Neighbourhood Partnership Areas

Partnership Area	No of Sites	2011 Avg PQS	2012 Avg PQS	2013 Avg PQS	2014 Avg PQS	2015 Avg PQS	Trend
Almond	18	56%	58%	57%	58%	60%	1
City Centre	8	57%	59%	58%	58%	60%	<b>^</b>
Craigentinny / Duddingston	6	55%	57%	58%	62%	62%	<b>→</b> ←
Forth	8	54%	58%	59%	57%	60%	1
Inverleith	7	63%	63%	65%	67%	67%	<b>→</b> ←
Leith	11	55%	55%	57%	57%	56%	¥
Liberton / Gilmerton	11	56%	56%	59%	62%	66%	1
Pentlands	16	53%	56%	59%	57%	61%	1
Portobello / Craigmillar	16	55%	54%	58%	58%	59%	1
South Central	12	62%	64%	66%	67%	69%	<b>↑</b>
South West	14	55%	56%	58%	59%	60%	1
Western Edinburgh	11	54%	58%	60%	61%	62%	1



Seven Acre Park

#### 3.4 Edinburgh Minimum Standard

The Edinburgh Minimum standard was agreed following the assessments in 2008 to provide a minimum benchmark of quality for each park classification.

The table below shows the park quality scores agreed as the Edinburgh Minimum Standards for each type of park.

	Premier Parks	City Parks	Community Parks	Recreation Grounds	Gardens	Natural Parks	Cemeteries
Edinburgh Minimum Standard	70%	50%	45%	40%	50%	60%	50%

The table below shows the % of sites meeting the Edinburgh Minimum Standard over the last five years.

#### Classification

	No											
Classification	Sites	20	11	20	12	20	13	20	)14	20	)15	Trend
Premier Parks	6	2	33%	3	50%	3	50%	2	33%	3	50%	<b>^</b>
City Parks	12	10	83%	11	92%	11	92%	11	92%	12	100%	<b>^</b>
Comm. Parks	80	70	89%	74	93%	77	97%	76	96%	<b>78</b>	<b>98%</b>	<b>^</b>
Rec. Grounds	6	5	83%	6	100%	6	100%	6	100%	6	100%	→←
Gardens	15	13	76%	14	93%	14	93%	13	87%	14	<b>93%</b>	1
Natural Parks	19	11	69%	13	81%	15	79%	16	84%	17	<b>89%</b>	<b>^</b>
Citywide	138	111	82%	121	82%	126	<i>92%</i>	124	<i>91%</i>	130	<i>94%</i>	1

Performance indicators have been developed to show the percentage of sites in each Neighbourhood that meet this standard with targets set to drive improvement. The targets through to 2015 are listed below.

	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Target	55%	65%	70%	75%	80%	90%	91%	92%

The tables and graphs below and overleaf show the number and percentage of sites meeting the Edinburgh Minimum Standard in each neighbourhood and neighbourhood partnership area against the annual target over the last five years.

Area	No Sites	20	)11	2(	)12	2	013	20	014	20	015	Tr	Target Met
CC& Leith	19	14	67%	15	79%	15	79%	14	74%	15	<b>79%</b>	1	No
East	22	16	80%	16	76%	20	91%	20	91%	21	<b>95%</b>	1	Yes
North	15	12	86%	13	93%	15	100%	14	93%	15	100%	1	Yes
South	23	20	87%	22	96%	21	91%	23	100%	23	100%	→←	Yes
South West	30	25	81%	28	90%	28	93%	27	90%	28	93%	1	Yes
West	29	24	89%	27	100%	27	96%	26	93%	28	<b>97%</b>	1	Yes
Citywide	138	111	82%	121	90%	126	<i>92%</i>	124	<i>91%</i>	130	94%	<b>•</b>	Yes



## Edinburgh Minimum Standard Met

Area	No of Sites	2011 % meeting Std	2012 % meeting Std	2013 % meeting Std	2014 % meeting Std	2015 % meeting Std	Trend	Target Met
Almond	18	94%	100%	94%	89%	94%	1	Yes
City Centre	8	60%	88%	75%	63%	75%	<b>^</b>	No
Craigentinny / Duddingston	6	67%	67%	83%	100%	100%		Yes
Forth	8	88%	100%	100%	100%	100%		Yes
Inverleith	7	83%	83%	100%	86%	100%	1	Yes
Leith	11	73%	73%	82%	82%	82%	<b>→</b> ←	No
Liberton / Gilmerton	11	91%	100%	91%	100%	100%	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Pentlands	16	82%	88%	94%	94%	94%	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Portobello / Craigmillar	16	86%	80%	94%	88%	94%	1	Yes
South Central	12	83%	92%	92%	100%	100%		Yes
South West	14	79%	93%	93%	86%	93%	1	Yes
Western Edinburgh	11	80%	100%	100%	100%	100%	<b>→</b> €	Yes

#### 4 Area Site Results

The tables on the following pages show the quality bandwidth over the last four years in each Neighbourhood and Management Area. In addition, graphs have been included to demonstrate the Neighbourhood and Management Area average park's quality score, percentage of sites meeting the Edinburgh Minimum Standard, bandwidths, short term trend and selected criteria averages.



Morningside Park



Starbank Park



Drum Park



Saughton Park



Sir Harry Lauder Memorial Garden



Station Road Park

### 4.1 City Centre & Leith Neighbourhood

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Atholl Crescent	Garden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Bellevue Crescent Gdns	Garden	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Calton Hill	Premier Park	Good+	Good	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Coates Crescent	Garden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Dalmeny Street Park	Community Park	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Dunbars Close Garden	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Gayfield Square	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Granny's Green	Garden	Good	Good	Fair	Good	1	Yes
Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	Fair	Good	Good	Fair	.↓	No
Hillside Crescent Gardens	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Hopetoun Cres. Gdns	Garden	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Keddie Park	Community Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	1	Yes
Leith Links	Premier Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	→←	No
London Road Gardens	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Montgomery Street Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Pilrig Park	Community Park	V. Good	Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Princes Street Gardens	Premier Park	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+	→←	Yes
Redbraes Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Regent Road Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
St Mark's Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Taylor Gardens	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site



Dalmeny Street Park



Montgomery Street Park

#### City Centre & Leith Neighbourhood



#### Average PQS

#### % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



Bandwidths



**Park Quality Scores Trend** 



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#### 4; 21.1% 53% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8% 15.8%



■Improved ■Static ■Deteriorated





### 4.2 East Neighbourhood

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Abercorn Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Baronscourt Park	Community Park	Fair	Fair	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Bingham Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Brighton Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Brunstane Mill	Natural Park		Good+	Good+	Good+	→←	Yes
Cairntows Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
C'millar Castle &H'hill	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Figgate Burn Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Hays Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Hunter's Hall Park	City Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Jewel Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	Good	$\mathbf{\Psi}$	Yes
Joppa Quarry Park	Community Park	Fair	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Lochend Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Magdalene Glen	Community Park	Fair	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Meadowfield Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	Excellent	V. Good	$\mathbf{\Psi}$	Yes
Meadows Yard	Natural Park	Good	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Newcraighall Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Portobello Comm Gdn	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Rosefield Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Seafield Rec Ground	Recreation ground	V. Good	V. Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Sir Harry Lauder Garden	Garden	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Straiton Place Park	Community Park	V. Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site



Brighton Park



Rosefield Park

#### East Neighbourhood

#### Average PQS



# % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



**Bandwidths** 

**Bandwidth Trend** 

**Park Quality Scores Trend** 



2 9.1% 9.1% 9.1% 1% 18 82%



**2014** 10.0 **2015** 9.0 8.0 <u>8</u>.0 6.8 6.5 6.6 6.5 6.5 <del>6</del>.3 6 6.4 с. С 7.0 5.9 9 9 6 2.2 6.0 Ņ 5.0 4.0 3.0 2.0 1.0 Signage Equal Access Safe Equip & Facilities **Personal Security Grounds Maintenance** Welcoming Good & Safe Access Dog Fouling Facility Quality Litter Management Infrastructure Maintenance Facility Provision Equipment Maintenance Woodland Management Conservation Flora & Fauna Information Provision Interpretative Provision

#### **Selected Criteria Averages**

### 4.3 North Neighbourhood

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
East Pilton Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Easter Drylaw Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Granton Crescent Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Gypsy Brae	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Inverleith Park	Premier Park	Good	Good+	Good	Good+	<b>^</b>	Yes
KGV Park (Eyre Place)	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Muirhouse Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Orchard Brae Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Ravelston Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Ravelston Woods	Natural Park		V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Rocheid Path	Natural Park	Good+	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Silverknowes Park	Recreation Ground	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Starbank Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Victoria Park	City Park	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
West Pilton Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site



Ravelston Park



King George V Park, Eyre Place

#### North Neighbourhood

#### Average PQS



# % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



**Bandwidths** 

**Bandwidth Trend** 

**Park Quality Scores Trend** 



1 6.7% 3 20.0% 11 73% Elmproved Static Deteriorated



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#### **Selected Criteria Averages**

### 4.4 South Neighbourhood

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Bauk's View	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Braid Hills	Natural Park	Good	Good	Good+	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Braidburn Valley Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
B'diehouse Burn Valley	Natural Park	Good+	Good	Good+	V. Good	1	Yes
Deaconess Garden	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Drum Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Ferniehill Community Pk	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Fernieside Rec Ground	Recreation ground	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Gracemount Comm Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
H'tage Braid & B'ford	Natural Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	•	Yes
Inch Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Liberton Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	<b>^</b>	Yes
Moredun Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Morgan Playing Fields	Recreation ground	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Morningside Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Mortonhall Comm Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Nicholson Square	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Prestonfield Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Prestonfield War Memorial	Garden	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Seven Acre Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
St Katharine's Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
St Patrick's Square	Garden	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
The Meadows & B'Field	Premier Park	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site



Ferniehill Community Park



Seven Acre Park

#### South Neighbourhood

#### 100% 90% 80% 67% 65% 70% 62% 60% 59% 55% 60% 50% 49% 50% 40% 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2008 2014 2015

**Average PQS** 

# % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



#### Bandwidths

**Bandwidth Trend** 

**Park Quality Scores Trend** 









#### **Selected Criteria Averages**

### 4.5 South West Neighbourhood

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Blinkbonny Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Bloomiehall Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Campbell Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Colinton Dell	Natural Park	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Colinton Mains Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	.↓	Yes
Dovecot Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Easter Craiglockhart Hill	Natural Park	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Fairmilehead Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Gardener's Crescent	Garden	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Gorgie/Dalry Com Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Hailes Quarry Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Harrison Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
KGV Park, Currie	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Malleny Park	Recreation ground	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Marchbank Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	$\mathbf{\Psi}$	Yes
Meadowspot Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Muirwood Road Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Murieston Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Paties Road Rec. Ground	City Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Pentland Regional Park	Regional park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Pentland View Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Ratho Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Redford Wood	Natural Park	Poor	Fair	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Redhall Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Saughton Park	Premier Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	1	No
Sighthill Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Spylaw Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Stenhouse Place East Park	Community Park	V. Good	Good	Fair	Good	1	Yes
Whinhill Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
White Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site



Harrison Park



Paties Road

#### South West Neighbourhood



**Average PQS** 

#### % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



**Bandwidths** 

**Bandwidth Trend** 

**Park Quality Scores Trend** 



2 6.7% 26.7% 20 67% Static Deteriorated



■Improved ■Static ■Deteriorated



#### **Selected Criteria Averages**

### 4.6 West Neighbourhood

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Allison Park, Kirkliston	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Balgreen Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Buttercup Farm Park	Community Park				V. Good	New	Yes
Cammo Estate	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Clermiston Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Corstorphine Hill	Natural Park	V. Good	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Cramond Foreshore	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Cramond Walled Garden	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Davidsons Mains Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Drumbrae Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Dundas Park, SQ	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Fauldburn Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Ferry Glen & Back Braes	Natural Park	V. Good	Good+	Good	Good+	1	Yes
Glendevon Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Gyle Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Haugh Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Inchcolm Park, SQ	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
KGV Park, SQ	Community Park	Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Lauriston Castle	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Pike's Pool	Natural Park		Fair	Poor	Good	1	No
Ratho Station Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Ratho Station Rec Ground	Recreation ground	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
River Almond Walkway	Natural Park	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Riverside Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Roseburn Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
St Margaret's Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Station Road Pk, SQ	Community Park	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Union Park	City Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site



Balgreen Park



Davidsons Mains Park

#### West Neighbourhood



Average PQS

#### % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



**Bandwidths** 

**Bandwidth Trend** 

**Park Quality Scores Trend** 









#### **Selected Criteria Averages**

#### 4.7 Natural Heritage Sites

Site Name	Neighbourhood	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
B'house Burn Valley	South	Good +	Good	Good+	V. Good	1	Yes
Cammo Estate	West	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Colinton Dell	South West	Good +	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	→←	Yes
Corstorphine Hill	West	V. Good	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Craigmillar Castle	East	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Cramond Foreshore	West	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Easter Craiglockhart Hill	South West	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Hermitage & Blackford	South	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	. ↓	Yes
Meadows Yard	East	Good	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Pentland Hills Regional	South West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Ravelston Woods	North		V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
River Almond Walkway	West	Good +	Good+	Good+	Good+	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site

#### **Average PQS**



% of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard







Fair

Poor

Good

**Bandwidth Trend** 



#### **Park Quality Scores Trend**



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#### 4.8 Botanical & Specialist Sites

Site Name	Neighbourhood	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Lauriston Castle	West	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Princes Street Gardens	CC&L	Good +	Good +	Good+	Good+	→←	Yes
Saughton Park	South West	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	1	No
Abercorn Park	East	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Brighton Park	East	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Ferniehill Com. Park	South	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Harrison Park	South West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Rosefield park	East	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Spylaw Park	South West	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
St Margaret's Park	West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Station Road Park	West	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Victoria Park	North	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

= Green Flag Award Site

Data below based on Lauriston Castle & Princes Street Gardens only.





Data below based on Lauriston Castle & Princes Street Gardens only except Grounds Maintenance which is based on all sites.



#### **Selected Criteria Averages**

#### 5 Citywide Results

5.1 Listed below are the highest and lowest ranked sites sorted by PQA score in 2015. The difference against the previous year's score and rank are included for information.

Tables with yellow field name indicate sort field.

= Green Flag Award Site

Highest	ranked	sites

City Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'hood	PQA 2014	PQA 2015	+/- %	+ / - Rank
1	Pentland Hills Regional Park	Natural Park	South West	75%	81%	+6%	+2
2	Easter Craiglockhart Hill	Natural Park	South West	76%	75%	-1%	0
3=	Ferniehill Community Park	Community Park	South	70%	74%	+4%	+13
3=	Prestonfield War Memorial	Garden	South	70%	74%	+4%	+13
5=	Figgate Burn Park	Community Park	East	72%	73%	+1%	+2
5=	Harrison Park	Community Park	South West	73%	73%	0%	0
5=	Prestonfield Park	Community Park	South	66%	73%	+7%	+31
5=	Princes Street Gardens	Premier Park	CC & Leith	70%	73%	+3%	+11
5=	Starbank Park	Community Park	North	63%	73%	+10%	+44

#### Lowest ranked sites

City Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'hood	PQA 2014	PQA 2015	+ / - %	+ / - Rank
138	Hays Park	Community Park	East	43%	39%	-4%	-3
137	Bellevue Crescent Gardens	Garden	CC & Leith	40%	40%	0%	+1
136	Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	48%	42%	-6%	-10
132=	Cairntows Park	Community Park	East	46%	47%	+1%	0
132=	Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	West	55%	47%	-8%	-38
132=	Ratho Station Rec Ground	Rec Ground	West	48%	47%	-1%	-6
132=	Seafield Recreation Ground	Rec Ground	East	48%	47%	-1%	-6
129=	Bingham Park	Community Park	East	50%	48%	-2%	-8
129=	Malleny Park	Rec Ground	South West	47%	48%	+1%	+2
129=	Meadowspot Park	Community Park	South West	48%	48%	0%	-3



Pentland Hills Regional Park



Hays Park

5.2 Listed below are sites that have improved and deteriorated the most based on the difference in PQA score between 2014 and 2015.

Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'hood	PQA 2014	PQA 2015	+/- %
1	Pikes Pool	Natural Heritage Park	West	42%	55%	+13%
2	Starbank Park	Community Park	North	63%	73%	+10%
3=	Lauriston Castle	Garden	West	58%	67%	+9%
3=	Newcraighall Park	Community Park	East	55%	64%	+9%
4=	St Patrick's Square	Garden	South	57%	65%	+8%
4=	Union Park	City Park	West	50%	58%	+8%

#### **Most Deteriorated**

Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'hood	PQA 2014	PQA 2015	+/- %
1=	Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	West	55%	47%	-8%
2=	H.o.B.inc Blackford Hill	Natural Heritage Park	South	78%	72%	-6%
2=	Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	48%	42%	-6%
2=	Easter Drylaw Park	Community Park	North	59%	53%	-6%
3=	Granton Crescent Park	Community Park	North	60%	55%	-5%
3=	Redbraes Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	59%	54%	-5%

#### 5.3 Criteria Score Averages Citywide



#### 5.4 Results Summary

#### **Bandwidths**

This year well over two thirds of Edinburgh's parks were judged as 'Excellent' or 'Very Good' and a quarter as 'Good'. In total 96% were deemed 'Good' or better leaving only 6 parks out of 138 ranked as 'Fair' and none as 'Poor'.

The results also showed that 29 parks moved up in bandwidth in 2015, seven more than last year whilst only 11 dropped compared to 18 in 2014.

The South West Neighbourhood had the biggest number of parks improving (8) whilst the West and South were only one behind at seven. The South saw all but one of their parks in the 'Very Good' or 'Excellent' bandwidths.

#### **Park Quality Scores**

Although bandwidths reflect a more accurate description of a parks quality, by taking into account the natural and accepted variance of judges scoring and that certain aspects of parks can change on a day to day basis, it can be interesting to explore a little deeper into the Park Quality Scores.

It is noted that nearly two thirds (86) of Edinburgh's parks improved on last year's score whilst 37 deteriorated. The South West (21) and West (20) Neighbourhoods have the biggest number of parks that improved.

The citywide average parks quality score continues to improve year on year and parks have now improved from 49% in 2008 to 62% in 2015.

Over half of Edinburgh's parks now score highly enough to indicate a Green Flag Award Field Assessment Pass would be likely.

Some Individual sites also showed considerable increases from last year with Pike's Pool (+13% to 55%) and Starbank Park (+10% to 73%). This year also saw Pentland Hills Regional Park equal the highest ever score of 81% set in 2008 by Princes Street Gardens. It is also worth recognising however that out of the 10 lowest ranked sites six dropped in score and efforts should be made to ensure these parks don't drop into the 'Poor' bandwidth.

#### **Edinburgh Minimum Standard**

Following last year's results, the 2015 target for sites meeting the Edinburgh Minimum Standard was set at 92%, an increase of 1% on last year's target and was agreed, following discussion, to reflect the desire to continue improving the quality of our parks whilst recognising that challenges lay ahead.

It was pleasing to note that all Neighbourhoods increased the number of parks meeting the Edinburgh Minimum Standard in 2015 with the exception of South who for the second year running ensured that 100% of their parks exceeded the mark. It was also noted that all but one of the Neighbourhoods met the 2015 target of 92%.

With only 56% of parks meeting the Edinburgh Minimum Standard in 2008 the 2015 results show that we now have 130 out of 138 parks (94%) meeting the grade.

#### Criteria Score Averages

Citywide, 21 out of 26 average criteria scores improved from 2014. The biggest improvers were Litter Management and Grounds Maintenance whilst Information Provision was the only criterion that dropped.





#### 5.7 Site Improvements & Recommendations

#### Improvements since last year

Prior to this year's assessments, site mangers were asked to provide an update with regards to improvement that had taken place in their parks since the last PQA assessment. Each improvement was then aligned to one Green Flag criterion resulting in the ability to provide an overview as to where improvements had being targeted across the City.

The chart below shows the number of actions for each of the criteria.



#### Judges recommendations

Following the park assessments, judges were asked to provide recommendations that, based on their findings, would improve the quality of the site. These recommendations were linked to one criterion so as to provide an overview of where judges think improvements should be focused. The chart below shows the number of recommendations for each of the criteria across all parks.



#### 5.8 Park Improvement & Management Plans

Improvement actions can be identified for parks through various sources i.e. user surveys etc and the Park Quality Assessments carried out each year provides the site manager with additional specific information on the quality of their parks that can be used to identify areas for improvement or promotion. There is also information available following the publication of the PQA report that allows managers to identify targeted improvements across Neighbourhood Areas or the City i.e. dog fouling campaigns.

It is hoped that managers use all the available information including the judge's recommendations to create an annual Park Improvement Plan that can be recorded and updated to evidence improvement. This is especially important where the site is a current Green Flag Award park and the improvement plan forms part of the management plan.

#### 5.9 Green Flag Forum

The Green Flag Forum will convene towards the end of year to discuss the results and agree strategic objectives that should lead to improvements in both area and citywide sites.



Lauriston Castle

#### 6 Green Flag Awards

Green Flag Awards are a way of recognising sites of quality. The awards are provided on an annual basis and each site must re-submit their application each year to retain the award. The scheme also involves a Green Flag Community Award (formerly Green Pennant) which is to reward sites that are managed by the community.



In 2007, the scheme was trialled in Scotland with Edinburgh taking part along with Dundee. In that year Edinburgh was successful in achieving two Green Flags (Braidburn Valley Park and Harrison Park). The total rose to three in 2008, and five in 2009, that year also saw the first Green Pennant in Scotland awarded to Corstorphine Walled Garden. In 2010, Edinburgh was awarded a further eight Green Flags bringing the total to 13 plus Corstorphine Walled Garden retained their Community Award.

In 2011 Edinburgh was included in the pilot of the Green Flag Group Award Scheme and as a result all Edinburgh's existing Green Flag Award winning sites were automatically awarded Green Flags when the standard was maintained following self assessment. In addition to this a further seven new sites were successful in 2011, four in 2012 and two in 2014.

In 2015, Edinburgh added three new sites (Ferniehill Community Park, Rosefield Park and Starbank Park) bringing the total Green Flag Award winning parks in Edinburgh up to 29 plus one Green Flag Community Award.

#### 6.1 Green Flag Group Award

In 2011, Edinburgh was invited to take part in the pilot of the Green Flag Group Award that saw two peer judges assess the strategy the authority has to managing its greenspaces every two years and assesses the risk of the authority failing to maintain its Green Flag Award parks to the required standard. The judges pay particular attention on how Green Flag has been adopted into the various strategies, through self assessing its entire stock using the Green Flag criteria and how it uses the information to improve, not only the Green Flag Award winning sites but all sites across the authority.

The last assessment in 2014 resulted in a successful 'Low Risk' result with judges highlighting Community Involvement, the Park Quality Assessment process and Lansdcape Quality Standards as strengths.

Following the self assessments, Green Flag Award winning sites in 2014 can be awarded a Green Flag Award for 2015 by the authority themselves if the standard is still maintained. However, these sites will be subject to one or more mystery shopper assessments at any time during the next twelve months which will see an external Green Flag judge arriving at the park unannounced and assessing the site based on a visitor experience.

As part of the PQA assessments, judges are asked to report any major issues found whilst undertaking assessments to the site manager. For Green Flag Award parks, this reporting is extended when judges encounter any issues that fall below expected Green Flag quality. This approach ensures managers are aware of issues affecting Green Flag parks and acts as a early warning for sites that are subject to mystery shop assessments as part of the Green Flag scheme.

New sites identified for the award will continue to be assessed using the existing judging method of two judges assessing the management plan and undertaking a formal site visit.

A list of current Green Flag Award sites and the year first awarded can be found on the next page.

#### 6.2 Green Flag Award Site List

Green Flag Award Park	N'hood	Year first achieved
Braidburn Valley Park	South	2007
Harrison Park	South West	2007
Pentland Hills Regional Park	South West	2008
Easter Craiglockhart Hill	South West	2009
Hopetoun Crescent Gardens	CC&L	2009
Burdiehouse Burn Valley Park	South	2010
Corstorphine Hill	West	2010
Craigmillar Castle Park	East	2010
Figgate Burn Park	East	2010
Inverleith Park	North	2010
London Road Gardens	CC&L	2010
Portobello Community Park	East	2010
Station Road Park	West	2010
Hailes Quarry Park	South West	2011
Hermitage of Braid & Blackford Hill	South	2011
Morningside Park	South	2011
Muir Wood Road Park	South West	2011
Princes Street Gardens	CC&L	2011
St Margarets Park	West	2011
Victoria Park	North	2011
Back Braes & Ferry Glen	West	2012
Lochend Park	East	2012
Prestonfield Park	South	2012
Ravelston Park & Woods	North	2012
King George V Park – Eyre Place	North	2014
Spylaw Park	South West	2014
Ferniehill Community Park	South	2015
Rosefield Park	East	2015
Starbank Park	North	2015
Green Flag Community Award (formerly G	Green Pennant Award)	
Corstorphine Walled Garden	West	2009



Starbank Park


7. Appendices
 7.1. Citeria Score Averages

### A Welcoming Place

		V	Welcomin	g			Good	l & Safe A	Access				Signage				E	qual Acce	ess	
	12	13	14	15	Trend	12	13	14	15	Trend	12	13	14	15	Trend	12	13	14	15	Trend
Citywide	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.4		6.3	6.5	6.6	6.7	1	5.8	5.9	6.1	6.2	1	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.1	<b>→</b> ←
City Centre & Leith	5.9	5.7	5.6	5.5	•	6.5	6.1	6.3	6.3	→←	5.1	5.2	5.4	5.3	•	5.8	6.0	6.1	6.1	
East	5.4	6.1	6.4	6.3	•	6.3	6.6	6.8	6.7	. ↓	4.9	5.4	6.0	5.9	•	5.4	5.9	6.1	6.0	.↓
North	6.6	6.2	5.7	5.9	•	6.6	6.7	6.9	6.9	<b>→</b> ←	6.0	6.1	6.2	6.2	<b>→</b> ←	6.2	6.3	6.3	6.3	
South	6.8	6.8	7.0	7.3	•	6.5	6.7	7.0	7.2	1	7.2	7.2	7.5	7.5	→←	5.7	5.9	6.3	6.4	1
South West	5.7	6.0	5.9	6.3	1	6.3	6.5	6.5	6.7	1	5.4	5.4	5.6	5.9	1	5.8	5.9	6.0	6.2	1
West	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.7	1	6.1	6.3	6.4	6.7	1	6.3	6.0	6.1	6.3	1	5.8	6.0	5.9	6.0	1
					•			•							•					
Almond	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.6	•	5.9	6.2	6.1	6.4	1	6.1	5.6	5.7	6.0	1	5.5	5.6	5.4	5.6	1
City Centre	6.3	6.0	5.5	6.1	1	6.3	5.8	5.8	6.1	1	5.1	5.0	5.0	5.6	1	5.5	5.4	5.4	5.5	1
Craigentinny /Duddingston	6.2	6.2	6.5	6.7	1	6.0	6.3	6.5	6.7	1	5.3	5.7	6.7	6.5	•	5.5	5.8	5.8	5.5	•
Forth	6.0	5.8	4.8	5.4	1	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.6	→←	5.8	5.6	5.5	6.0	1	6.3	6.1	6.1	6.0	•
Inverleith	7.3	6.7	6.7	6.4	•	6.8	7.0	7.3	7.1	•	6.3	6.6	7.0	6.4	¥	6.2	6.4	6.6	6.6	→←
Leith	5.6	5.5	5.7	5.1	•	6.7	6.3	6.6	6.5	•	5.0	5.4	5.6	5.1	¥	6.0	6.5	6.5	6.5	
Liberton / Gilmerton	6.2	6.1	6.5	6.9	1	5.9	6.2	6.7	6.8	1	7.0	7.0	7.3	7.5	1	5.4	5.5	6.0	5.9	¥
Pentlands	5.6	5.9	6.0	6.3	1	6.1	6.5	6.6	6.7	1	5.4	5.5	5.8	6.0	1	5.5	5.8	6.1	6.1	→←
Portobello / Craigmillar	5.1	6.1	6.3	6.2	¥	6.4	6.7	6.9	6.7	•	4.7	5.3	5.7	5.7	<b>→</b> ←	5.4	5.9	6.2	6.2	
South Central	7.3	7.4	7.4	7.6	1	7.0	7.2	7.3	7.6	1	7.4	7.4	7.8	7.4	•	6.1	6.3	6.5	6.8	1
South West	5.9	6.1	5.8	6.3	1	6.6	6.6	6.4	6.6	1	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.8	1	6.1	6.1	5.9	6.4	1
Western Edinburgh	6.3	6.4	6.4	6.8	1	6.4	6.6	6.9	7.1	1	6.6	6.8	7.0	6.8	•	6.3	6.7	6.6	6.5	•

### Healthy, Safe & Secure

			afe Equ Facilit	-				Persona Securit				]	Dog Fouling	g		Ap		iate Pr Facilitie	ovision es	of			Quality Faciliti		
	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.
Citywide	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.6	1	6.6	6.7	6.8	6.9	↑	6.5	6.6	6.9	7.1	1	6.4	6.5	6.7	6.8	↑	6.3	6.6	6.7	6.8	1
City Centre & Leith	6.1	6.3	6.3	6.3	->	6.6	6.7	6.6	6.5	¥	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.8	↑	6.2	6.4	6.7	6.8	1	6.2	6.2	6.3	6.3	->
East	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.4	-	6.6	6.8	6.9	6.8	•	6.4	6.0	6.6	6.5	•	6.2	6.1	6.4	6.4	>	6.1	6.5	6.6	6.6	-
North	6.5	6.7	6.5	6.8	1	6.9	6.7	6.7	6.9	1	5.7	6.5	6.7	7.4	1	6.6	6.7	6.7	7.1	1	6.6	6.8	6.7	7.0	•
South	6.4	6.6	6.9	7.2	1	6.9	6.9	7.2	7.5	1	6.5	7.1	7.3	7.4	1	6.5	6.9	7.0	7.2	1	6.6	7.1	7.2	7.3	1
South West	6.3	6.6	6.4	6.5	1	6.4	6.7	6.8	7.1	1	6.5	6.7	6.8	7.2	1	6.4	6.4	6.6	6.9	1	6.4	6.7	6.7	6.9	1
West	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.6	1	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.8	1	6.8	6.8	7.4	7.5	1	6.8	6.6	6.6	6.8	1	6.1	6.3	6.5	6.9	1
Almond	6.5	6.4	6.3	6.4	1	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.6	1	6.8	6.3	6.9	7.3	1	7.1	6.6	6.7	6.6	•	6.5	6.4	6.7	6.7	
City Centre	6.5	6.3	6.3	6.0	•	6.6	6.5	6.6	6.6	-	6.8	6.6	6.5	7.8	1	5.9	5.9	6.4	6.5	1	6.6	6.4	6.4	6.4	-
Craigentinny /Duddingston	5.8	5.7	6.2	6.2	-	5.8	6.2	6.5	6.2	•	6.2	5.0	5.8	6.8	1	6.3	6.3	6.8	6.5	•	5.5	5.7	7.0	6.7	•
Forth	6.3	6.4	6.1	6.5	Ł	7.0	6.8	6.6	6.9	1	5.6	6.3	5.9	7.5	Ł	6.6	6.5	6.3	6.9	1	6.5	6.8	6.4	6.9	•
Inverleith	6.8	7.0	7.0	7.1	1	6.7	6.7	6.7	6.9	1	5.8	6.9	7.7	7.3	→	6.7	7.0	7.3	7.3	-	6.7	6.9	7.0	7.1	1
Leith	5.8	6.3	6.3	6.5	1	6.5	6.8	6.6	6.4	•	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.1	<b>→</b>	6.4	6.7	6.9	7.0	1	5.9	6.0	6.3	6.2	•
Liberton / Gilmerton	6.0	6.2	6.5	7.1	1	6.2	6.2	6.7	7.1	1	5.5	6.3	6.5	7.2	1	6.1	6.2	6.4	7.0	1	6.3	6.8	7.0	7.4	1
Pentlands	6.1	6.3	6.1	6.3	1	6.1	6.5	6.7	6.9	1	6.8	7.1	7.3	7.3	->	6.1	6.4	6.6	6.9	1	6.2	6.6	6.7	6.9	1
Portobello / Craigmillar	6.4	6.6	6.5	6.5	•	6.9	7.1	7.0	7.1	↑	6.5	6.4	6.9	6.4	→	6.1	6.0	6.2	6.4	1	6.3	6.8	6.5	6.6	1
South Central	6.8	6.9	7.2	7.3	1	7.5	7.6	7.7	7.8	1	7.4	7.9	8.1	7.6	≯	6.8	7.6	7.7	7.3	¥	6.9	7.4	7.4	7.2	♥
South West	6.6	6.9	6.6	6.7	1	6.9	6.9	6.9	7.4	1	6.1	6.3	6.4	7.1	1	6.7	6.5	6.7	6.9	1	6.6	6.9	6.7	6.9	•
Western Edinburgh	5.9	6.1	6.1	6.8	1	6.8	7.1	7.0	7.0	-	6.8	7.6	8.2	7.7	→	6.3	6.6	6.6	7.1	1	5.6	6.2	6.3	7.2	1

### Clean & Well Maintained

	I	.itter &	Waste I	Managem	nent	Grou	nds Mai	ntenanc	e & Hort	ticulture	j		gs & Inf Aaintena	rastructu ance	ire		Equipr	nent Ma	intenanc	e
	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.
Citywide	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.6	1	5.6	5.8	5.8	6.2	1	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.3	1	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.7	1
City Centre & Leith	5.8	5.7	5.4	5.4	<b>→</b> €	5.7	6.2	6.3	5.4	•	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.9	1	6.0	5.9	5.9	6.1	1
East	5.7	6.1	6.1	6.8	1	5.5	5.8	5.9	6.0	★	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.0		6.6	6.8	6.6	6.5	+
North	6.4	6.1	5.8	6.5	1	5.6	5.4	5.1	6.0	<b>^</b>	6.2	6.4	6.4	6.4	<b>→</b> ←	6.6	6.6	6.2	6.6	1
South	6.3	6.3	6.6	6.8	1	5.8	6.2	6.5	6.6	1	6.6	6.4	6.7	7.0	1	6.2	6.8	7.0	7.3	1
South West	6.2	6.5	6.3	6.9	1	5.3	5.8	5.5	6.3	<b>^</b>	6.2	6.4	6.1	6.3	1	6.4	6.7	6.5	6.6	1
West	6.7	6.1	6.7	6.9	1	5.7	5.2	5.5	6.5	1	5.8	5.9	5.7	6.1	<b>^</b>	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.8	1
				r	1		1		1					r	1		1	1		Ĩ
Almond	6.9	6.1	6.6	7.0	<b>•</b>	5.6	4.9	5.3	6.2	1	6.1	6.0	5.7	5.9	<b>•</b>	6.4	5.9	6.1	6.6	1
City Centre	6.4	6.1	5.6	5.5	•	6.4	6.3	6.3	5.9	¢	6.3	6.0	6.3	6.4	1	6.6	6.3	6.4	6.6	1
Craigentinny /Duddingston	5.7	5.5	6.5	7.5	1	5.7	5.8	5.5	5.8	1	6.0	5.8	6.3	6.3		6.2	6.6	6.6	6.2	¥
Forth	5.9	5.6	5.4	5.9	1	5.4	5.1	4.6	6.0	<b>^</b>	6.4	6.6	6.3	6.3	<b>→</b> ←	6.6	6.6	5.9	6.5	1
Inverleith	7.2	6.7	6.3	7.3	1	5.8	5.7	5.6	6.0	<b>^</b>	6.0	6.1	6.6	6.4	V	6.7	6.6	6.6	6.7	1
Leith	5.4	5.4	5.2	5.4	1	5.3	6.1	6.4	5.1	¥	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.6	1	5.6	5.7	5.5	5.7	1
Liberton / Gilmerton	5.6	5.5	6.3	6.3	<b>→</b> ←	5.5	5.3	6.2	6.6	<b>^</b>	6.5	6.3	6.6	6.8	1	5.6	6.5	6.6	7.0	1
Pentlands	6.5	6.7	6.8	7.1	1	5.7	6.2	5.6	6.4	<b>^</b>	6.1	6.3	5.9	5.9	<b></b>	6.3	6.5	6.3	6.4	<b>^</b>
Portobello / Craigmillar	5.7	6.3	5.9	6.5	<b>^</b>	5.4	5.8	6.0	6.0	<b>→</b> ←	6.2	6.2	5.9	5.8	•	6.7	6.8	6.6	6.6	<b>→</b> ←
South Central	7.0	6.9	6.9	7.3	1	6.2	7.0	6.8	6.6	•	6.7	6.4	6.8	7.3	1	6.8	7.1	7.5	7.6	1
South West	5.7	6.4	5.8	6.7	1	4.9	5.4	5.4	6.2	1	6.4	6.6	6.4	6.7	1	6.6	6.9	6.8	6.7	•
Western Edinburgh	6.2	6.3	6.9	6.8	•	5.9	5.8	5.8	6.9	1	5.4	5.6	5.6	6.5	1	5.5	6.4	6.2	7.0	1

### Sustainability

	Envi	ronme	ntal Su	ıstaina	bility		Pes	sticide	Use				Peat Us	se			Waste	Minim	nisatior	ı	W	oodlan	d Man	ageme	ent
	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.
Citywide	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	>	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	1	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	<b>→</b>	2.9	2.9	3.0	3.1	1	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	
	_			_			1	1	r	1		_			_		1	1	1	1			_	_	
City Centre & Leith	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	>	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	-	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	>	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	>	6.3	6.5	6.5	6.7	>
East	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0		4.6	4.5	4.5	4.5	-	10	10	10	10	•	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.5	✦	6.0	6.5	6.4	6.3	•
North	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.4	4.8	4.8	4.8	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	-	4.4	4.5	4.9	5.0	1	6.6	6.8	6.5	6.5	-
South	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.9	1	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.6	-	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.9	1	6.6	6.3	6.7	6.8	1
South West	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	-	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	-	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	-	6.0	6.3	6.3	6.4	
West	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.9	5.1	5.1	5.0	•	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.5	-	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	-	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.7	1
Almond	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	-	9.5	9.5	9.5	9.5	-	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	-	5.9	6.2	6.3	6.6	1
City Centre	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	-	9.3	9.3	9.3	9.3	-	2.3	2.3	2.3	2.3	-	6.6	6.5	6.9	7.0	1
Craigentinny /Duddingston	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	-	10	10	10	10	-	2.8	2.8	3.0	3.0	-	6.3	6.3	6.5	6.8	1
Forth	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	-	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	-	4.3	4.3	4.3	4.5	1	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.4	1
Inverleith	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	5.0	5.7	5.7	5.7	-	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.6	-	4.7	4.7	5.6	5.6	-	6.7	7.0	6.9	6.6	•
Leith	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.1	4.0	4.0	4.0	-	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.7	-	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	-	6.0	6.5	6.3	6.5	1
Liberton / Gilmerton	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.2	1	9.2	9.2	9.2	9.2	-	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.9	1	6.2	6.0	6.5	6.7	1
Pentlands	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.2	->	9.8	9.8	9.8	9.8	-	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.6	-	5.8	6.1	6.3	6.3	-
Portobello / Craigmillar	6.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	->	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	-	10	10	10	10	-	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	5.8	6.5	6.4	6.1	¥
South Central	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.1	↑	4.5	4.5	4.5	5.5	1	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0	-	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.8	1	7.0	6.7	7.0	6.8	↓
South West	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	->	9.6	9.6	9.6	9.6	-	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.4	-	6.3	6.5	6.4	6.4	>
Western Edinburgh	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	¥	9.7	9.7	9.7	9.5	¥	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	-	7.0	6.7	7.0	6.9	¥

### **Conservation & Heritage**

		Conserv	ation Flo	ora & Fau	ina		Conse	rvation I	Landscap	e		Conse	rvation	Buildings	
	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.
Citywide	4.8	5.2	5.7	6.2	1	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.9	1	6.5	6.7	6.4	6.5	1
City Centre & Leith	4.4	4.5	5.0	5.2	1	5.7	5.7	5.7	5.7		7.0	7.3	7.0	6.6	¥
East	4.7	5.5	6.0	6.5	1	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3	→←	6.7	6.3	6.8	6.8	→←
North	5.0	5.4	5.5	6.0	1	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.4	1	6.5	6.7	6.3	6.7	1
South	4.9	5.5	6.3	6.6	1	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	<b>→</b> ←	6.3	6.8	6.8	6.7	¥
South West	4.9	5.3	5.7	6.3	1	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.7	<b>→</b> ←	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.3	<b>^</b>
West	4.9	5.1	5.5	6.1	1	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	<b>→</b> ←	6.7	6.9	6.0	6.3	1
Almond	5.4	5.5	5.8	6.6	1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0		6.8	6.8	5.4	5.8	1
City Centre	5.3	5.3	5.5	5.6	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	→←	7.4	7.4	7.8	7.2	¥
Craigentinny /Duddingston	6.5	6.5	6.7	6.7		6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	<b>→</b> ←	6.0	5.0	6.0	6.0	<b>→</b> ←
Forth	4.6	4.8	4.9	5.5	1	5.0	5.0	5.0	6.0	1	6.0	5.5	6.0	6.5	1
Inverleith	5.5	6.1	6.3	6.6	1	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.6	<b>→</b> ←	7.0	7.3	6.5	6.8	<b>^</b>
Leith	3.8	4.0	4.6	4.8	1	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.4	<b>→</b> ←	5.0	7.0	6.0	5.7	V
Liberton / Gilmerton	4.4	5.4	5.9	6.5	1	5.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	<b>→</b> ←	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0	<b>→</b> ←
Pentlands	5.2	5.4	5.8	6.6	<b>^</b>	5.7	5.8	5.8	5.8		6.4	6.2	6.3	6.6	1
Portobello / Craigmillar	4.0	5.2	5.7	6.5	<b>^</b>	6.2	6.2	6.2	6.2	<b>→</b> ←	6.8	6.6	7.0	7.0	→←
South Central	5.3	5.7	6.6	6.7	1	6.6	6.6	6.6	6.6	<b>&gt;</b> (-	6.2	6.8	6.8	6.6	¥
South West	4.6	5.2	5.5	6.1	1	5.6	5.6	5.6	5.6	<b></b>	5.5	5.8	5.7	6.0	1
Western Edinburgh	4.2	4.4	4.9	5.5	<b>^</b>	6.3	6.3	6.3	6.3		6.7	7.0	7.0	7.0	<b>→</b> ←

### Community Involvement & Marketing

	Co	ommun	ity Inv	olvemo	ent	(	Commu	inity P	rovisio	n		Μ	larketi	ng		Ι	nforma	ation P	rovisio	n	Educ	ationa P	l & Int rovisio	-	ative
	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.	12	13	14	15	Tr.
Citywide	4.4	4.5	4.7	4.9	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	<b>→</b>	4.2	5.2	5.2	5.5	1	5.3	5.4	5.6	5.5	¥	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.5	
City Centre & Leith	5.1	5.3	5.3	5.3	->	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	5.1	6.1	6.1	6.1	<b>&gt;</b>	4.6	4.2	4.4	4.3	¥	4.2	3.8	3.9	3.8	¥
East	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.5	+	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	•	4.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	-	3.6	4.8	5.0	5.2	+	2.9	2.9	3.8	4.2	1
North	4.7	4.8	5.5	5.7	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	4.1	5.3	5.3	5.5	1	5.9	6.3	6.3	6.0	•	4.8	5.4	5.5	4.8	•
South	4.5	5.0	5.2	5.9	<b>←</b>	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.2	1	4.0	5.1	5.1	6.4	1	7.0	7.0	7.3	7.2	•	5.9	6.1	6.6	7.0	
South West	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.5	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	3.9	4.9	4.9	5.4	1	4.5	4.7	4.9	5.0	1	2.9	3.1	3.2	3.5	1
West	3.7	3.8	4.1	4.1	•	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	4.0	5.0	5.0	5.1	1	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.4	¥	3.3	3.8	3.6	4.0	1
							1	1	1	1							1		1	1					
Almond	3.8	3.9	4.1	4.2	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	3.9	4.9	4.9	5.1	1	5.7	5.2	5.2	5.2	-	3.0	3.7	3.6	4.0	
City Centre	4.5	5.1	5.1	5.1	-	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	5.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	-	5.3	4.8	4.4	4.5	•	5.0	4.8	5.1	4.8	•
Craigentinny /Duddingston	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.7	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.2	1	5.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	•	4.5	5.7	6.3	6.3	•	3.7	4.5	5.3	6.0	1
Forth	3.9	3.9	4.8	4.9	<b>^</b>	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	3.5	4.5	4.5	4.9	1	5.6	6.0	5.9	5.5	•	4.4	4.8	4.5	4.0	•
Inverleith	5.8	5.9	6.3	6.7	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	5.0	6.3	6.3	6.3	->	6.3	6.6	6.9	6.6	•	5.3	6.1	6.7	5.7	•
Leith	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	->	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	-	4.2	3.8	4.4	4.1	¥	3.5	3.1	3.1	3.1	-
Liberton / Gilmerton	4.0	4.6	4.7	5.6		6.0	6.0	6.0	6.2	1	3.6	4.7	4.7	5.9	1	6.3	6.5	7.0	7.2	1	4.7	5.5	6.2	6.7	
Pentlands	4.7	4.8	5.1	5.1	->	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	3.8	4.8	4.8	5.5	1	4.4	4.8	5.0	5.0	-	3.0	3.3	3.3	3.8	
Portobello / Craigmillar	4.5	4.4	4.4	4.4	->	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	3.5	4.5	4.5	4.5	->	3.3	4.4	4.5	4.8	1	2.5	2.3	3.3	3.6	
South Central	4.9	5.3	5.6	6.2	♠	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.3	1	4.4	5.4	5.4	6.8	1	7.8	7.5	7.5	7.2	•	6.9	6.6	7.0	7.2	1
South West	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.9	1	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	->	4.1	5.1	5.1	5.4	1	4.7	4.6	4.8	5.0	1	2.9	2.9	3.1	3.3	
Western Edinburgh	3.6	3.6	4.2	4.0	•	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.0	-	4.2	5.2	5.2	5.1	¥	6.5	6.8	6.7	5.7	•	3.8	4.1	3.7	4.1	1

### 7.2. Parks List in quality order based on PQS

	arks List in quality of der	<u></u>				+/-	+/-
Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'Hood	2014	2015	%	Rank
1	Pentland Hills Regional Park	Natural Park	South West	75%	81%	+6%	+2
2	Easter Craiglockhart Hill	Natural Park	South West	76%	75%	-1%	0
3=	Ferniehill Community Park	Community Park	South	70%	74%	+4%	+13
3=	Prestonfield War Memorial	Garden	South	70%	74%	+4%	+13
5=	Figgate Burn Park	Community Park	East	72%	73%	+1%	+2
5=	Harrison Park	Community Park	South West	73%	73%	0%	0
5=	Prestonfield Park	Community Park	South	66%	73%	+7%	+31
5=	Princes Street Gardens	Premier Park	CC & Leith	70%	73%	+3%	+11
5=	Starbank Park	Community Park	North	63%	73%	+10%	+44
10=	Cammo Estate	Natural Park	West	68%	72%	+4%	+14
10=	Corstorphine Hill	Natural Park	West	74%	72%	-2%	-6
10=	H.o.B.inc Blackford Hill	Natural Park	South	78%	72%	-6%	-9
10=	Hopetoun Crescent Gardens	Garden	CC & Leith	72%	72%	0%	-3
10=	Seven Acre Park	Community Park	South	70%	72%	+2%	+6
15=	Dunbars Close Garden	Garden	CC & Leith	72%	71%	-1%	-8
15=	Inverleith Park	Premier Park	North	69%	71%	+2%	+7
15=	Ravelston Park	Community Park	North	73%	71%	- <b>2%</b>	-10
15=	Rocheid Path	Natural Park	North	66%	71%	+5%	+21
15=	Rosefield Park	Community Park	East	68%	71%	+3%	+9
15=	St Margarets Park	Community Park	West	70%	71%	+1%	+1
21=	Abercorn Park	Community Park	East	70%	70%	0%	-5
21=	Bauks View	Natural Park	South	65%	70%	+5%	+18
21=	Colinton & C'lockhart Dells	Natural Park	South West	71%	70%	-1%	-8
21=	Morningside Park	Community Park	South	72%	70%	- <b>2</b> %	-14
21=	Muir Wood Park	Community Park	South West	67%	70%	+3%	+9
21=	St Katharines	Community Park	South	68%	70%	+2%	+3
21=	The Meadows and B' Links	Premier Park	South	71%	70%	-1%	-8
28=	Hailes Quarry Park	Community Park	South West	67%	69%	+2%	+2
28=	Lochend Park	Community Park	East	67%	69%	+2%	+2
28=	Station Road Pk	Community Park	West	66%	69%	+3%	+8
28=	Victoria Park	City Park	North	67%	69%	+2%	+2
32=	Braidburn Valley Park	Community Park	South	69%	68%	-1%	-10
32=	C'millar Castle Park inc H'khill	Natural Park	East	71%	68%	-3%	-19
32=	Davidsons Mains Park	City Park	West	65%	68%	+3%	+7
32=	Inch Park	City Park	South	65%	68%	+3%	+7
32=	King George V Park (Eyre PI)	City Park	North	65%	68%	+3%	+7
32=	London Road Gardens	City Park	CC & Leith	61%	68%	+7%	+25
32=	Portobello Comm. Garden	Community Park	East	72%	68%	-4%	-25
32=	Ravelston Woods	Natural Park	North	72%	68%	-4%	-25
40=	Cramond Foreshore	Natural Park	West	68%	67%	-1%	-16
40=	Deaconess	Garden	South	67%	67%	0%	-10
40=	Drum Park	Community Park	South	60%	67%	+7%	+22
40=	Lauriston Castle	Garden	West	58%	67%	+9%	+38
40=	Liberton Park	Community Park	South	64%	67%	+3%	+5
40=	Morgan Playing Fields	<b>Recreation Ground</b>	South	64%	67%	+3%	+5
40=	Nicholson Square	Garden	South	68%	67%	-1%	-16
47=	Burdiehouse Burn Valley	Natural Park	South	63%	66%	+3%	+2
47=	Meadows Yard	Natural Park	East	65%	66%	+1%	-8
47=	Montgomery Street Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	62%	66%	+4%	+5
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47=	Spylaw Park	Community Park	South West	62%	66%	+4%	+5

Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'Hood	2014	2015	+/- %	+/-Rank
51=	Bloomiehall Park	Community Park	South West	68%	65%	-3%	-27
51=	Braid Hills (inc golf courses)	Natural Park	South	60%	65%	+5%	+11
51=	Gyle Park	City Park	West	61%	65%	+4%	+6
51=	Roseburn Park	City Park	West	65%	65%	0%	-12
51=	Saughton Park	Premier Park	South West	62%	65%	+3%	+1
51=	St Patrick's Square	Garden	South	57%	65%	+8%	+30
57=	Gardner's Crescent	Garden	South West	59%	64%	+5%	+17
57=	Meadowfield Park	Community Park	East	67%	64%	-3%	-27
57=	Murieston Park	Community Park	South West	62%	64%	+2%	-5
57=	Newcraighall Park	Community Park	East	55%	64%	+9%	+37
57=	Orchard (Brae) Park	Community Park	North	62%	64%	+2%	-5
62=	Brighton Park	Community Park	East	61%	63%	+2%	-5
62=	Dalmeny Street Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	64%	63%	-1%	-17
62=	Ratho Park	Community Park	South West	60%	63%	+3%	0
62=	River Almond Walkway	Natural Park	West	61%	63%	+2%	-5
66=	Allison Park, Kirkliston	Community Park	West	60%	62%	+2%	-4
66=	Brunstane Mill	Natural Park	East	61%	62%	+1%	-9
66=	Gypsy Brae Rec Ground	City Park	North	56%	62%	+6%	+19
66=	Inchcolm Park, S Queensferry	Community Park	West	60%	62%	+2%	-4
70=	Campbell Park	Community Park	South West	54%	61%	+7%	+34
70=	Fairmilehead Park	Community Park	South West	57%	61%	+4%	+11
70=	Gracemount Comm. Park	Community Park	South	54%	61%	+7%	+34
70=	Mortonhall Community Park	Community Park	South	60%	61%	+1%	-8
70=	Regent Road Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	60%	61%	+1%	-8
70=	Sir Harry Lauder Garden	Garden	East	64%	61%	-3%	-25
70=	Straiton Place Park	Community Park	East	58%	61%	+3%	+8
77=	Balgreen Park	Community Park	West	56%	60%	+4%	+8
77=	Calton Hill	Premier Park	CC & Leith	63%	60%	-3%	-28
77=	Clermiston Park	Community Park	West	56%	60%	+4%	+8
77=	Fauldburn Park	Community Park	West	60%	60%	0%	-15
77=	Ferry Glen & Back Braes	Natural Park	West	56%	60%	+4%	+8
77=	Leith Links	Premier Park	CC & Leith	60%	60%	0%	-15
77=	Moredun Park	Community Park	South	54%	60%	+6%	+27
84=	Buttercup Farm Park	Community Park	West	-	59%	-	-
84=	Colinton Mains Park	City Park	South West	60%	59%	-1%	-22
84=	Drumbrae Park	Community Park	West	56%	59%	+3%	+1
84=	Pentland View Park	Community Park	South West	54%	59%	+5%	+20
84=	Ratho Station Park	Community Park	West	53%	59%	+6%	+25
84=	Redhall Park	Community Park	South West	54%	59%	+5%	+20
90=	Cramond Walled Garden	Garden	West	55%	58%	+3%	+4
90=	East Pilton Park	Community Park	North	55%	58%	+3%	+4
90=	Glendevon Park	Community Park	West	58%	58%	0%	-12
90=	King George V Park (Currie)	Community Park	South West	56%	58%	+2%	-5
90=	King George V Park, (SQ)	Community Park	West	53%	58%	+5%	+19
90=	Union Park	City Park	West	50%	58%	+8%	+31
96=	Blinkbonny Park	Community Park	South West	55%	57%	+2%	-2

Rank	Site Name	Classification	N'Hood	2014	2015	+/- %	+/-Rank
96=	Haugh Park	Community Park	West	60%	57%	-3%	-34
96=	Sighthill Park	Community Park	South West	56%	57%	1%	-11
96=	White Park	Community Park	South West	57%	57%	0%	-15
100=	Fernieside Rec Ground	<b>Recreation Ground</b>	South	53%	56%	3%	9
100=	Joppa Quarry Park	Community Park	East	55%	56%	1%	-6
100=	Magdalene Glen	Community Park	East	56%	56%	0%	-15
100=	Silverknowes Park	<b>Recreation Ground</b>	North	52%	56%	4%	15
104=	Baronscourt Park	Community Park	East	50%	55%	5%	17
104=	Dundas Park, S Queensferry	Community Park	West	52%	55%	3%	11
104=	Granton Crescent Park	Community Park	North	60%	55%	-5%	-42
104=	Paties Road Rec Ground	City Park	South West	50%	55%	5%	17
104=	Pikes Pool	Natural Park	West	42%	55%	13%	33
104=	Riverside Park	Community Park	West	55%	55%	0%	-10
104=	Whinhill Park	Community Park	South West	51%	55%	4%	14
111=	Hillside Crescent Gardens	Garden	CC & Leith	53%	54%	1%	-2
111=	Hunters Hall Park (JKC)	City Park	East	48%	54%	6%	15
111=	Marchbank Park	Community Park	South West	55%	54%	-1%	-17
111=	Muirhouse Linear Park	Community Park	North	52%	54%	2%	4
111=	Pilrig Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	57%	54%	-3%	-30
111=	Redbraes Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	59%	54%	-5%	-37
117=	Easter Drylaw Park	Community Park	North	59%	53%	-6%	-43
117=	Jewel Park	Community Park	East	55%	53%	-2%	-23
117=	Redford Wood	Natural Park	South West	51%	53%	2%	1
117=	Taylor Gardens	Garden	CC & Leith	55%	53%	- <b>2%</b>	-23
121=	Dovecot Park	Community Park	South West	53%	52%	-1%	-12
121=	Gorgie/Dalry Comm. Park	Community Park	South West	45%	52%	7%	12
121=	Granny's Green	Garden	CC & Leith	49%	52%	3%	4
121=	St Marks Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	56%	52%	-4%	-36
121=	West Pilton Park	Community Park	North	53%	52%	-1%	-12
126	Gayfield Square	Garden	CC & Leith	51%	51%	0%	-8
127=	Keddie Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	44%	49%	5%	7
127=	Stenhouse Place East Park	Community Park	South West	43%	49%	6%	8
129=	Bingham Park	Community Park	East	50%	48%	-2%	-8
129=	Malleny Park	<b>Recreation Ground</b>	South West	47%	48%	1%	2
129=	Meadowspot Park	Community Park	South West	48%	48%	0%	-3
132=	Cairntows Park	Community Park	East	46%	47%	1%	0
132=	Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	West	55%	47%	-8%	-38
132=	Ratho Station Rec Ground	<b>Recreation Ground</b>	West	48%	47%	-1%	-6
132=	Seafield Recreation Ground	Recreation Ground	East	48%	47%	-1%	-6
136	Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	CC & Leith	48%	42%	-6%	-10
137	Bellevue Crescent Gardens	Garden	CC & Leith	40%	40%	0%	1
138	Hays Park	Community Park	East	43%	39%	-4%	-3

### 7.3 City Centre & Leith Neighbourhood Supplementary Information

### **City Centre Partnership Area**

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Atholl Crescent	Garden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Bellevue Crescent Gdns	Garden	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Calton Hill	Premier Park	Good+	Good	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Coates Crescent	Garden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
Dunbars Close Garden	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Gayfield Square	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Grannies Green	Garden	Good	Good	Fair	Good	1	Yes
London Road Gardens	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Princes Street Gardens	Premier Park	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Regent Road Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### Leith Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Dalmeny Street Park	Community Park	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	Fair	Good	Good	Fair	. ↓	No
Hillside Crescent Gardens	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Hopetoun Crescent Gdns	Garden	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Keddie Park	Community Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	1	Yes
Leith Links	Premier Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Montgomery Street Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Pilrig Park	Community Park	V. Good	Good	V. Good	Good	•	Yes
Redbraes Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
St Marks Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	•	Yes
Taylor Gardens	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### City Centre & Leith sites in quality order

	Citywide					+/-
Rank	Rank	Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	%
1	5=	Princes Street Gardens	Premier Park	70%	73%	+3%
2	10=	Hopetoun Crescent Gardens	Garden	72%	72%	0%
3	15=	Dunbars Close Garden	Garden	72%	71%	-1%
4	32=	London Road Gardens	City Park	61%	68%	+7%
5	47=	Montgomery Street Park	Community Park	62%	66%	+4%
6	62=	Dalmeny Street Park	Community Park	64%	63%	-1%
7	70=	Regent Road Park	Community Park	60%	61%	+1%
8=	77=	Calton Hill	Premier Park	63%	60%	-3%
8=	77=	Leith Links	Premier Park	60%	60%	0%
10=	111=	Hillside Crescent Gardens	Garden	53%	54%	+1%
10=	111=	Pilrig Park	Community Park	57%	54%	-3%
10=	111=	Redbraes Park	Community Park	59%	54%	-5%

13	117=	Taylor Gardens	Garden	55%	53%	-2%
14=	121=	Granny's Green	Garden	49%	52%	+3%
14=	121=	St Marks Park	Community Park	56%	52%	-4%
16	126	Gayfield Square	Garden	51%	51%	0%
17	127=	Keddie Park	Community Park	44%	49%	+5%
18	136	Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	48%	42%	-6%
19	137	Bellevue Crescent Gardens	Garden	40%	40%	0%

### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %	+/- City Rank
London Road Gardens	City Park	61%	68%	7%	+25
Henderson Gardens Park	Community Park	48%	42%	-6%	-10

#### Improvements since last year

Prior to this year's assessments, site mangers were asked to provide an update with regards to improvement that had taken place in their parks since the last PQA assessment. Each improvement was then aligned to one criterion resulting in the ability to provide an overview as to where improvements were targeted across the Neighbourhood.

Further to this, following the assessment, we were able to demonstrate if improvements had had an impact on the targeted criteria following this year's assessments by noting if the criteria score had increased, remained static or decreased bearing in mind that other factors would influence the criteria scores and therefore these results should be considered for information purposes only.

The chart below shows the number of actions for each of the criteria along with how many scores increased, remained static and decreased.



#### Judges recommendations

Following the park assessment judges were asked to provide recommendations that based on their findings would improve the quality of the site. Again these recommendations were linked to one criterion so as to provide an overview of where judges think improvements should be focused. The chart below shows the number of recommendations for each of the criteria across all parks in the Neighbourhood.





Calton Hill



Leith Links

Site Name	Welcoming	Good Safe Access	Signage	Equal Access	Safe Equipment & Facilities	Personal Security in Park	Dog Fouling	Appropriate Provision of Facilities	Quality of Facilities	Litter & Waste Management	Grounds Maintenance and Horticulture	Building & Infrastructure Maintenance	Equipment Maintenance	Environmental Sustainability	Pesticides	Peat Use	Waste Minimisation	Arboriculture & Woodland Management	Conservation Fauna & Flora	Conservation Landscape	Conservation Buildings	Community Involvement	Community Provision	Marketing & Promotion	Information Provision	Educational & Interpretative Provision	PQS
Bellevue Crescent	3	4	2	2	2	5	7	1	1	6	6	4	0	6	4	10	2	7	3	5	0	3	6	4	1	1	40%
Calton Hill	6	6	7	6	6	6	5	7	7	2	4	7	7	6	4	10	2	5	6	9	8	7	6	8	4	6	60%
Dalmeny Street Park	7	6	6	6	7	8	6	9	8	7	6	6	6	6	4	10	5	6	4	5	0	7	6	8	5	4	63%
Dunbars Close	8	7	7	7	7	6	9	9	8	7	8	8	8	6	4	7	2	8	8	7	7	6	6	8	8	8	71%
Gayfield Square	4	4	4	4	6	8	8	5	6	7	4	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	3	1	0	6	6	8	2	1	51%
Granny's Green	6	6	4	6	5	6	8	6	7	3	3	6	5	6	4	10	2	7	5	5	5	7	6	4	3	1	52%
Henderson Gardens	3	6	3	6	5	3	4	7	4	2	3	5	4	6	4	10	2	6	2	5	0	3	6	4	2	l	42%
Hillside Crescent	5 7	6	5	5	5	/	/	4	4	3	3	7	5 7	6	4	10	2	7	5	4	0	7	6	8	5	6	54%
Hopetoun Crescent Keddie Park	4	5	8	7	7	8	5	8	,	5	5	5	,	6	4	10	3 2	1	5	9	8	9	6	8	8	9 1	72% 49%
Leith Links	4	5 8	4	7	7	6 7	6 6	6 7	6 8	5	5	5 5	6 6	6 6	4	10 7	2	6 7	5	0	0	1	6 6	4	6	2	49% 60%
London Road	7	0 7	7	5	7	7	8	7	0 7	6	8	7	6	6	4	10	2	8	4	0	8	0 7	6	8	6	2 7	68%
Montgomery Street	7	8	6	7	7	7	7	8	7	8	5	6	6	6	4	10	5	7	6	0	6	7	6	8	5	5	66%
Pilrig Park	4	6	4	6	6	5	5	7	6	2	6	5	7	6	4	10	3	7	7	6	0	5	6	4	4	3	54%
Princes Street Gdns	8	8	7	7	8	8	9	9	8	9	8	7	8	6	7	7	4	7	7	9	8	4	6	8	6	6	73%
Redbraes Park	4	5	5	7	7	6	7	8	6	7	2	6	6	6	4	10	5	5	4	5	0	6	6	4	4	1	54%
Regent Road Park	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	7	4	6	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	5	0	0	1	6	4	6	8	61%
St Marks Park	4	7	4	6	7	6	6	6	5	6	6	5	5	6	4	10	2	7	7	5	0	3	6	4	2	1	52%
Taylor Gardens	4	7	4	7	6	7	8	7	7	6	6	5	5	6	4	10	2	7	2	5	0	4	6	4	3	1	53%

### 7.4 East Neighbourhood Supplementary Information

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Baronscourt Park	Community Park	Fair	Fair	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Figgate Burn Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Lochend Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Meadowfield Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	Excellent	V. Good	↓	Yes
Meadows Yard	Natural Park	Good	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Seafield Rec Ground	Recreation ground	V. Good	V. Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### Craigentinny / Duddingston Partnership Area

### Portobello / Craigmillar Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Abercorn Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Bingham Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Brighton Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Brunstane Mill	Natural Park		Good +	Good+	Good+	→←	Yes
Cairntows Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
C'millar Castle inc H'hill	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Hays Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Hunters Hall Park	City Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	1	Yes
Jewel Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Joppa Quarry Park	Community Park	Fair	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Magdalene Glen	Community Park	Fair	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Newcraighall Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Portobello Comm Garden	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Rosefield Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Sir Harry Lauder Garden	Garden	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Straiton Place Park	Community Park	V. Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### East Neighbourhood sites in quality order

	Citywide					
Rank	Rank	Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %
1	5=	Figgate Burn Park	Community Park	72%	73%	+1%
2	15=	Rosefield Park	Community Park	68%	71%	+3%
3	21=	Abercorn Park	Community Park	70%	70%	0%
4	28=	Lochend Park	Community Park	67%	69%	+2%
5=	32=	C'millar Castle Park inc H'khill	Natural Park	71%	68%	-3%
5=	32=	Portobello Community Garden	Community Park	72%	68%	-4%
7	47=	Meadows Yard	Natural Park	65%	66%	+1%
8=	57=	Meadowfield Park	Community Park	67%	64%	-3%
8=	57=	Newcraighall Park	Community Park	55%	64%	+9%
10	62=	Brighton Park	Community Park	61%	63%	+2%
11	66=	Brunstane Mill	Natural Park	61%	62%	+1%

12=	70=	Sir Harry Lauder Garden	Garden	64%	61%	-3%
12=	70=	Straiton Place Park	Community Park	58%	61%	+3%
14=	100=	Joppa Quarry Park	Community Park	55%	56%	+1%
14=	100=	Magdalene Glen	Community Park	56%	56%	0%
16	104=	Baronscourt Park	Community Park	50%	55%	+5%
17	111=	Hunters Hall Park (JKC)	City Park	48%	54%	+6%
18	117=	Jewel Park	Community Park	55%	53%	-2%
19	129=	Bingham Park	Community Park	50%	48%	-2%
20=	132=	Cairntows Park	Community Park	46%	47%	+1%
20=	132=	Seafield Recreation Ground	Recreation Ground	48%	47%	-1%
22	138	Hays Park	Community Park	43%	39%	-4%

#### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+/- %	+ / - Rank
Newcraighall Park	Community Park	55%	64%	+9%	+37
Hays Park	Community Park	43%	39%	-4%	-3

#### Improvements since last year

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The chart below shows the number of actions for each of the criteria along with how many scores increased, remained static and decreased.



#### Judges recommendations

Following the park assessment judges were asked to provide recommendations that, based on their findings, would improve the quality of the site. Again these recommendations were linked to one criterion so as to provide an overview of where judges think improvements should be focused. The chart below shows the number of recommendations for each of the criteria across all parks in the Neighbourhood.







Lochend Park



Figgate Park

SiteName	Welcoming	Good Safe Access	Signage	Equal Access	Safe Equipment $\&$ Facilities	Personal Security in Park	Dog Fouling	Appropriate Provision of Facilities	Quality of Facilities	Litter & Waste Management	Grounds Maintenance and Horticulture	Building & Infrastructure Maintenance	Equipment Maintenance	Environmental Sustainability	Pesticides	Peat Use	Waste Minimisation	Arboriculture & Woodland Management	Conservation Fauna & Flora	Conservation Landscape	Conservation Buildings	Community Involvement	Community Provision	Marketing & Promotion	Information Provision	Educational & Interpretative Provision	PQS
Abercorn Park	8	9	8	8	8	9	9	8	8	8	8	8	8	6	4	10	3	8	7	6	7	5	6	4	6	2	70%
Baronscourt Park	6	6	7	5	5	6	6	4	5	6	5	5	5	6	4	10	2	6	4	0	0	4	7	4	7	7	55%
Bingham Park	3	6	3	5	5	5	7	6	5	5	3	6	6	6	4	10	2	6	4	0	0	3	6	4	3	1	48%
Brighton Park	8	9	5	8	8	8	8	7	7	8	8	7	7	6	4	10	2	7	6	6	5	5	6	4	4	1	63%
Brunstane Mill	7	8	7	6	7	7	8	5	7	8	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	6	8	0	0	3	6	4	7	5	62%
Cairntows Park	5	5	3	4	4	7	7	4	6	4	5	1	7	6	4	10	2	3	8	0	0	5	6	4	1	1	47%
C'millar Castle inc H'hill	7	8	6	7	6	5	4	6	7	5	6	7	8	6	10	10	7	6	8	8	0	7	6	8	7	5	68%
Figgate Burn Park	7	8	7	8	7	8	9	9	8	8	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	8	9	7	0	7	6	8	8	8	73%
Hays Park	6	6	2	4	2	6	2	1	2	6	1	2	3	6	4	10	2	6	5	0	0	5	6	4	1	1	39%
Hunters Hall Park (JKC)	7	6	6	5	6	5	5	7	6	5	6	4	6	6	4	10	2	6	8	3	0	3	6	4	5	4	54%
Jewel Park	4	7	5	6	8	7	4	8	7	3	6	5	7	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	3	6	4	1	1	53%
Joppa Quarry Park	6	5	7	4	7	7	5	7	7	7	4	6	7	6	4	10	2	5	7	0	0	1	6	4	5	5	56%
Lochend Park	8	8	8	8	8	7	6	8	8	6	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	6	9	5	6	7	6	8	7	8	69%
Magdalene Glen	6	7	6	7	6	7	6	4	4	6	7	5	5	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	4	6	4	6	3	56%
Meadowfield Park	8	7	6	5	7	7	6	8	8	9	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	7	7	7	0	5	6	4	6	5	64%
Meadows Yard	7	6	6	3	5	3	7	6	7	9	4	6	7	6	10	10	8	7	8	7	0	4	6	8	7	7	66%
Newcraighall Park	7	7	7	6	7	7	8	7	7	8	7	7	7	7	4	10	2	6	6	0	0	4	6	4	7	6	64%
Portobello Com Garden	8	8	6	8	8	8	4	8	8	6	6	8	8	6	4	10	2	0	6	8	9	6	6	8	6	6	68%
Rosefield Park	8	8	8	7	8	9	9	9	9	8	8	8	7	6	4	10	2	7	7	6	7	5	6	4	7	7	71%
Seafield Rec Ground	4	5	5	4	5	6	7	4	4	7	5	6	4	6	4	10	2	7	3	0	0	1	6	4	3	1	47%
Sir Harry Lauder Gdn	2	1	7	7	6	8	8	7	8	9	7	6	7	6	4	10	2	7	5	0	0	5	6	4	7	8	61%
Straiton Place Park	7	7	5	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	4	5	0	0	6	6	4	3	1	61%

### 7.5 North Neighbourhood Supplementary information

### Forth Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
East Pilton Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Granton Crescent Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Gypsy Brae	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Muirhouse Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Silverknowes Park	Recreation Ground	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Starbank Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Victoria Park	City Park	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
West Pilton Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### Inverleith Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Easter Drylaw Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	↓	Yes
Inverleith Park	Premier Park	Good	Good+	Good	Good+	1	Yes
KGV Park (Eyre Place)	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Orchard Brae Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good		Yes
Ravelston Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Ravelston Woods	Natural Park	n/a	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Rocheid Path	Natural Park	Good+	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### North Neighbourhood sites in quality order

Deril	Citywide	C'As Norma		2014	2015	+/-
Rank	Rank	Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	%
1	5=	Starbank Park	Community Park	63%	73%	+10%
2=	15=	Inverleith Park	Premier Park	69%	71%	+2%
2=	15=	Ravelston Park	Community Park	73%	71%	-2%
2=	15=	Rocheid Path	Natural Park	66%	71%	+5%
5	28=	Victoria Park	City Park	67%	69%	+2%
6=	32=	King George V Park (Eyre Pl)	City Park	65%	68%	+3%
6=	32=	Ravelston Woods	Natural Park	72%	68%	-4%
8	57=	Orchard (Brae) Park	Community Park	62%	64%	+2%
9	66=	Gypsy Brae Recreation Ground	City Park	56%	62%	+6%
10	90=	East Pilton Park	Community Park	55%	58%	+3%
11	100=	Silverknowes Park	Recreation Ground	52%	56%	+4%
12	104=	Granton Crescent Park	Community Park	60%	55%	-5%
13	111=	Muirhouse Linear Park	Community Park	52%	54%	+2%
14	117=	Easter Drylaw Park	Community Park	59%	53%	-6%
15	121=	West Pilton Park	Community Park	53%	52%	-1%

#### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %	+ / - Rank
Starbank Park	Community Park	63%	73%	+10%	+44
Easter Drylaw Park	Community Park	59%	53%	-6%	-43

#### Improvements since last year

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#### Judges recommendations

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**Judges Recommendations** 



Inverleith Park



Victoria Park

SiteName	Welcoming	Good Safe Access	Signage	Equal Access	Safe Equipment & Facilities	Personal Security in Park	Dog Fouling	Appropriate Provision of Facilities	Quality of Facilities	Litter & Waste Management	Grounds Maintenance and Horticulture	Building & Infrastructure Maintenance	Equipment Maintenance	Environmental Sustainability	Pesticides	Peat Use	Waste Minimisation	Arboriculture & Woodland Management	Conservation Fauna & Flora	Conservation Landscape	Conservation Buildings	Community Involvement	Community Provision	Marketing & Promotion	Information Provision	Educational & Interpretative Provision	PQS
East Pilton Park	6	7	6	6	6	7	8	7	7	6	6	7	6	6	4	10	4	4	4	0	0	3	6	4	6	3	58%
Easter Drylaw Park	4	6	3	6	6	5	4	8	7	5	5	5	4	6	4	10	4	4	7	0	0	6	6	4	4	4	53%
Granton Crescent Park	4	6	6	4	6	6	8	6	7	4	5	6	7	6	4	10	4	5	5	0	0	3	6	4	6	5	55%
Gypsy Brae Rec Ground	4	8	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	4	10	4	7	7	0	0	6	6	4	6	6	62%
Inverleith Park	7	8	7	8	8	8	9	7	8	8	6	6	7	6	4	7	5	7	8	7	7	8	6	8	8	7	71%
King George V Park	7	8	7	7	8	7	7	8	8	7	4	6	7	6	4	10	5	6	6	5	6	8	6	8	7	8	68%
Muirhouse Linear Park	5	7	5	8	7	6	6	7	7	4	5	5	6	6	4	10	4	5	6	0	0	3	6	4	3	1	54%
Orchard (Brae) Park	7	6	6	6	7	7	8	7	7	9	7	7	8	6	4	10	5	7	5	0	0	4	6	4	6	4	64%
Ravelston Park	7	8	7	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	7	7	8	6	4	10	8	7	4	7	7	6	6	8	7	3	71%
Ravelston Woods	6	7	7	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	1	7	1	6	10	10	8	8	8	7	7	6	6	8	6	6	68%
Rocheid Path	7	1	8	6	7	1	8	7	6	8	6	7	6	6	10	10	4	7	8	7	0	9	6	4	8	8	71%
Silverknowes Park	5	6	5	2	1	6	7	6	7	7	7	0	7	6	4	10	4	7	6	0	0	3	6	4	4	2	56%
Starbank Park	8	7	8	7	6	7	9	8	7	9	8	8	7	6	4	10	7	8	6	7	8	9	6	7	8	8	73%
Victoria Park	1	8	7	9	1	9	9	8	1	1	6	6	1	6	4	10	5	8	6	5	5	9	6	8	6	4	69%
West Pilton Park	4	4	5	5	6	1	6	6	6	4	5	6	6	6	4	10	4	1	4	0	0	3	6	4	5	3	52%

### 7.6 South Neighbourhood Supplementary Information

### Liberton / Gilmerton Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
B'diehouse Burn Valley	Natural Park	Good+	Good	Good+	V. Good	1	Yes
Drum Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	→←	Yes
Ferniehill Community Pk	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Fernieside Rec Ground	Recreation ground	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Gracemount Comm Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Inch Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Liberton Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes
Moredun Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Mortonhall Comm Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Seven Acre Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
St Katharine's Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### South Central Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Bauks View	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Braid Hills	Natural Park	Good	Good	Good+	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Braidburn Valley Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Deaconess Garden	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
H'tage of Braid inc B'ford	Natural Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	$\mathbf{\Psi}$	Yes
Morgan Playing Fields	Recreation ground	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Morningside Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Nicholson Square	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Prestonfield Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Prestonfield War Memorial	Garden	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
St Patrick's Square	Garden	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
The Meadows & B'Field	Premier Park	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+	→←	Yes

### South Neighbourhood sites in quality order

Rank	Citywide Rank	Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %
1=	3=	Ferniehill Community Park	Community Park	70%	74%	+4%
1=	3=	Prestonfield War Memorial	Garden	70%	74%	+4%
3	5=	Prestonfield Park	Community Park	66%	73%	+7%
4=	10=	HoB inc Blackford Hill	Natural Park	78%	72%	-6%
4=	10=	Seven Acre Park (Alnwickhill)	Community Park	70%	72%	+2%
6=	21=	Bauks View	Natural Park	65%	70%	+5%
6=	21=	Morningside Park	Community Park	72%	70%	-2%
6=	21=	St Katharines Park	Community Park	68%	70%	+2%
6=	21=	The Meadows and B'field Links	Premier Park	71%	70%	-1%
10=	32=	Braidburn Valley Park	Community Park	69%	68%	-1%

10=	32=	Inch Park	City Park	65%	68%	+3%
12=	40=	Deaconess	Garden	67%	67%	0%
12=	40=	Drum Park	Community Park	60%	67%	+7%
12=	40=	Liberton Park	Community Park	64%	67%	+3%
12=	40=	Morgan Playing Fields	Recreation Ground	64%	67%	+3%
12=	40=	Nicholson Square	Garden	68%	67%	-1%
17	47=	Burdiehouse Burn Valley Park	Natural Park	63%	66%	+3%
18=	51=	Braid Hills (inc golf courses)	Natural Park	60%	65%	+5%
18=	51=	St Patrick's Square	Garden	57%	65%	+8%
20=	70=	Gracemount Community Park	Community Park	54%	61%	+7%
20=	70=	Mortonhall Community Park	Community Park	60%	61%	+1%
22	77=	Moredun Park (Gilmerton Park)	Community Park	54%	60%	+6%
23	100=	Fernieside Recreation Ground	Recreation Ground	53%	56%	+3%

### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %	+ / - Rank
St Patrick's Square	Garden	57%	65%	+8%	+30
H'tage of Braid inc B'ford Hill	Natural Heritage Park	78%	72%	-6%	-9

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#### Judges recommendations

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Prestonfield War Memorial



Inch Park

SiteName	Welcoming	Good Safe Access	Signage	Equal Access	Safe Equipment & Facilities	Personal Security in Park	Dog Fouling	Appropriate Provision of Facilities	Quality of Facilities	Litter & Waste Management	Grounds Maintenance and Horticulture	Building & Infrastructure Maintenance	Equipment Maintenance	Environmental Sustainability	Pesticides	Peat Use	Waste Minimisation	Arboriculture & Woodland Management	Conservation Fauna & Flora	Conservation Landscape	Conservation Buildings	Community Involvement	Community Provision	Marketing & Promotion	Information Provision	Educational & Interpretative Provision	PQS
Bauks View	7	7	7	6	7	7	8	8	7	6	7	6	8	6	10	7	5	7	9	4	0	9	6	6	8	7	70%
Braid Hills	7	5	7	4	6	6	4	6	6	9	7	6	7	6	10	10	2	7	8	9	0	7	6	6	6	6	65%
Braidburn Valley	7	8	7	7	7	7	9	6	7	9	7	5	7	6	4	7	4	5	8	7	4	9	6	9	7	7	68%
Burdiehouse Burn	7	8	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	4	10	6	7	7	0	0	8	6	8	7	6	66%
Deaconess	8	8	8	6	8	8	6	7	8	8	7	8	8	6	4	7	2	7	6	0	0	3	6	5	8	8	67%
Drum Park	7	7	9	6	7	7	8	8	8	6	7	7	7	6	4	10	3	7	4	0	0	6	6	5	8	8	67%
Ferniehill Comm	9	8	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	8	8	7	8	6	5	7	6	8	6	0	0	6	7	7	7	7	74%
Fernieside Rec	6	5	6	5	6	6	6	5	6	6	5	7	7	6	4	10	4	4	4	0	0	6	6	4	6	5	56%
Gracemount Comm	7	6	7	7	7	7	4	7	6	4	6	7	6	6	4	10	3	7	7	0	0	3	6	5	7	7	61%
HOB inc Blackford	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	7	7	6	5	7	7	6	10	10	8	6	6	7	8	9	6	8	8	9	72%
Inch Park	7	8	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	6	7	7	7	6	4	7	5	6	8	5	7	6	6	6	7	6	68%
Liberton Park	7	7	8	6	8	7	8	7	8	8	7	7	7	6	4	10	3	6	6	0	0	6	6	5	7	7	67%
Moredun Park	5	6	7	3	7	7	8	7	7	4	6	6	6	6	4	10	3	7	6	0	0	3	6	6	7	6	60%
Morgan Playing	8	8	8	7	9	6	9	7	9	7	7	9	9	6	4	10	2	7	6	0	0	1	6	5	7	4	67%
Morningside Park	7	8	8	8	6	9	9	9	7	9	5	7	6	6	4	7	6	7	7	0	0	5	6	9	6	8	70%
Mortonhall Comm	6	5	7	3	6	6	9	6	6	8	7	6	7	6	4	10	2	7	8	0	0	3	6	5	7	7	61%
Nicholson Square	8	7	8	7	7	9	9	7	6	6	6	8	7	6	4	10	4	7	6	6	7	4	6	6	7	7	67%
Prestonfield Park	8	9	7	8	9	9	7	8	8	8	7	8	8	6	4	7	5	7	5	6	0	8	7	8	7	8	73%
Prestonfield War	9	8	9	6	7	9	9	7	8	9	8	8	9	6	4	7	4	8	7	0	7	7	6	6	9	8	74%
Seven Acre Park	8	8	8	6	8	8	9	8	9	6	7	8	8	6	5	7	4	7	8	0	0	8	7	6	8	7	72%
St Katharines Park	7	7	8	7	7	7	6	7	8	7	7	7	8	6	4	10	4	8	8	5	0	7	6	8	8	8	70%
St Patrick's Square	8	7	7	7	7	9	7	7	5	5	7	8	8	6	4	7	2	7	7	0	0	5	6	6	7	7	65%
The Meadows	7	9	6	9	8	9	8	9	8	6	6	7	7	7	4	7	2	7	5	7	7	7	8	8	6	7	70%

### 7.7 South West Neighbourhood Supplementary Information

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Blinkbonny Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Bloomiehall Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Campbell Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Colinton Dell	Natural Park	Good+	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Colinton Mains Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	$\mathbf{\Psi}$	Yes
Dovecot Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Fairmilehead Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
KGV Park, Currie	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Malleny Park	Recreation ground	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Marchbank Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Good	. ↓	Yes
Muirwood Road Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Pentland Regional Park	Regional park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Pentland View Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Ratho Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Redford Wood	Natural Park	Poor	Fair	Fair	Fair	→←	No
Spylaw Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	1	Yes

#### **Pentland Partnership Area**

### South West Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Easter Craiglockhart Hill	Natural Park	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Gardeners Crescent	Garden	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	<b>•</b>	Yes
Gorgie/Dalry Comm Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Hailes Quarry Park	Community Park	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Harrison Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Meadowspot Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Murieston Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Paties Road Rec. Ground	City Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Redhall Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	<b>^</b>	Yes
Saughton Park	Premier Park	Fair	Fair	Fair	Good	1	No
Sighthill Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Stenhouse Place East Park	Community Park	V. Good	Good	Fair	Good	1	Yes
Whinhill Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
White Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### South West Neighbourhood sites in quality order

	Citywide					+/-
Rank	Rank	Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	%
1	1	Pentland Hills Regional Park	Natural Park	75%	81%	+6%
2	2	Easter Craiglockhart Hill	Natural Park	76%	75%	-1%
3	5=	Harrison Park	Community Park	73%	73%	0%
4=	21=	Colinton & Craiglockhart Dells	Natural Park	71%	70%	-1%

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4=	21=	Muir Wood Park	Community Park	67%	70%	+3%
6	28=	Hailes Quarry Park	Community Park	67%	69%	+2%
7	47=	Spylaw Park	Community Park	62%	66%	+4%
8=	51=	Bloomiehall Park	Community Park	68%	65%	-3%
8=	51=	Saughton Park	Premier Park	62%	65%	+3%
10=	57=	Gardner's Crescent	Garden	59%	64%	+5%
10=	57=	Murieston Park	Community Park	62%	64%	+2%
12	62=	Ratho Park	Community Park	60%	63%	+3%
13=	70=	Campbell Park	Community Park	54%	61%	+7%
13=	70=	Fairmilehead Park	Community Park	57%	61%	+4%
15=	84=	Colinton Mains Park	City Park	60%	59%	-1%
15=	84=	Pentland View Park	Community Park	54%	59%	+5%
15=	84=	Redhall Park	Community Park	54%	59%	+5%
18	90=	King George V Park (Currie)	Community Park	56%	58%	+2%
19=	96=	Blinkbonny Park	Community Park	55%	57%	+2%
19=	96=	Sighthill Park	Community Park	56%	57%	+1%
19=	96=	White Park	Community Park	57%	57%	0%
22=	104=	Paties Road Recreation Ground	City Park	50%	55%	+5%
22=	104=	Whinhill Park	Community Park	51%	55%	+4%
24	111=	Marchbank Park	Community Park	55%	54%	-1%
25	117=	Redford Wood	Natural Park	51%	53%	+2%
26=	121=	Dovecot Park	Community Park	53%	52%	-1%
26=	121=	Gorgie/Dalry Community Park	Community Park	45%	52%	+7%
28	127=	Stenhouse Place East Park	Community Park	43%	49%	+6%
29	129=	Malleny Park	Recreation Ground	47%	48%	+1%
29	129=	Meadowspot Park	Community Park	48%	48%	0%

### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %	+ / - Rank
Campbell Park	Community Park	54%	61%	+7%	+34
Bloomiehall Park	Community Park	68%	65%	-3%	-27



Hailes Quarry Park



Muir Wood Park

### Improvements since last year

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Blinkbonny Park	5	6	4	6	4	5	6	7	7	7	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	6	7	0	0	5	6	6	5	3	57%
Bloomiehall Park	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	8	8	5	3	8	6	4	10	2	4	3	0	0	6	6	6	7	7	65%
Campbell Park	7	6	7	5	7	7	8	7	7	8	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	6	6	0	6	6	6	6	4	3	61%
Colinton Dell	8	6	7	5	6	7	7	6	6	8	4	7	5	6	10	10	8	7	8	8	6	9	6	8	7	7	70%
Colinton Mains Park	5	7	6	8	6	8	5	7	7	5	5	5	7	6	4	10	2	5	6	0	0	6	6	6	5	5	59%
Dovecot Park	5	7	3	4	5	7	7	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	1	6	4	3	1	52%
Easter Craiglockhart	8	7	7	5	6	7	7	7	8	8	8	7	8	6	10	10	7	8	9	8	0	8	6	8	7	8	75%
Fairmilehead Park	6	7	6	7	7	7	8	8	7	6	7	6	7	6	5	10	2	6	7	4	0	5	6	4	5	3	61%
Gardner's Crescent	7	8	6	8	6	8	9	7	7	8	5	8	7	6	4	10	2	7	5	7	7	6	6	7	5	1	64%
Gorgie/Dalry	3	7	4	7	5	5	7	7	5	6	4	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	7	5	0	4	6	4	1	1	52%
Hailes Quarry Park	7	7	7	8	8	7	7	8	7	6	7	7	6	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	8	6	8	8	8	69%
Harrison Park	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	7	8	7	7	8	8	6	4	7	2	8	7	0	0	6	6	8	8	7	73%
King George V Park	6	7	5	7	6	6	7	6	7	7	6	6	7	6	4	10	2	6	7	0	6	5	6	4	5	2	58%
Malleny Park	3	3	3	3	5	5	8	7	6	5	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	6	4	0	1	6	4	3	1	48%
Marchbank Park	5	8	3	6	5	7	8	5	7	8	6	6	7	6	4	10	2	4	5	0	0	4	6	4	3	1	54%
Meadowspot Park	4	6	3	5	5	7	7	3	6	7	5	5	6	6	4	10	2	7	4	0	0	1	6	4	1	1	48%
Muirwood Road Park	8	8	8	8	7	7	1	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	7	8	6	0	7	6	8	7	7	70%
Murieston Park	8	8	8	2	8	9	8	8	7	8	7	7	8	6	4	10	2	1	4	3	0	2	6	4	2	3	64%
Paties Road	4	5	4	3	1	1	9	6	8	6	1	1	1	6	4	10	2	6	1	0	0	4	6	4	2	2	55%

SiteName	Welcoming	Good Safe Access	Signage	Equal Access	Safe Equipment & Facilities	Personal Security in Park	Dog Fouling	Appropriate Provision of Facilities	Quality of Facilities	Litter & Waste Management	Grounds Maintenance and Horticulture	Building & Infrastructure Maintenance	Equipment Maintenance	Environmental Sustainability	Pesticides	Peat Use	Waste Minimisation	Arboriculture & Woodland Management	Conservation Fauna & Flora	Conservation Landscape	Conservation Buildings	Community Involvement	Community Provision	Marketing & Promotion	Information Provision	Educational & Interpretative Provision	PQS
Pentland Hills	9	7	10	8	8	8	9	9	7	8	8	7	7	6	10	10	6	8	10	7	8	9	6	8	9	8	81%
Pentland View Park	6	7	6	6	7	8	8	7	7	6	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	5	0	0	5	6	4	3	2	59%
Ratho Park	7	7	7	6	7	8	9	7	7	9	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	5	6	0	0	6	6	4	7	3	63%
Redford Wood	5	6	4	5	5	5	5	6	6	7	6	5	5	6	10	10	2	8	7	0	0	3	6	4	1	1	53%
Redhall Park	7	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	6	4	10	2	6	6	0	6	1	6	4	7	3	59%
Saughton Park	7	7	6	8	7	8	7	9	8	7	7	7	7	6	4	7	2	7	7	5	5	6	6	8	7	5	65%
Sighthill Park	5	6	5	5	7	7	6	7	6	7	7	8	6	6	4	10	2	3	7	0	6	3	6	4	6	3	57%
Spylaw Park	7	7	9	6	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	7	7	6	4	7	2	8	7	0	7	4	6	8	6	6	66%
Stenhouse Place East	5	3	4	5	6	7	3	6	5	4	5	4	5	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	1	6	4	6	2	49%
Whinhill Park	7	7	6	6	6	7	7	6	7	7	6	7	6	6	4	10	2	6	5	0	0	1	6	4	1	1	55%
White Park	7	7	6	7	8	8	7	8	7	6	5	7	7	6	4	10	2	4	3	0	0	3	6	4	4	1	57%

### 7.8 West Neighbourhood Supplementary Information

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Allison Park, Kirkliston	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Cammo Estate	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Cramond Foreshore	Natural Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Cramond Walled Garden	Garden	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
Davidsons Mains Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Dundas Park, SQ	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	<b>•</b>	Yes
Ferry Glen, SQ	Natural Park	V. Good	Good+	Good	Good+	1	Yes
Haugh Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Inchcolm Park, SQ	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
KGV Park, SQ	Community Park	Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	<b>•</b>	Yes
Lauriston Castle	Garden	V. Good	V. Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	Good	•	Yes
Pikes Pool	Natural Park		Fair	Poor	Good	1	No
Ratho Station Park	Community Park	Good	Good	Good	V. Good	1	Yes
Ratho Station Rec Ground	Recreation ground	Good	Good	Good	Good	→←	Yes
River Almond Walkway	Natural Park	Good+	Good+	Good+	Good+		Yes
Riverside Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good		Yes
Station Road Pk, SQ	Community Park	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes

### **Almond Partnership Area**

### Western Partnership Area

Site Name	Classification	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Balgreen Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Buttercup Farm Park	Community Park				V. Good	New	Yes
Clermiston Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Corstorphine Hill	Natural Park	V. Good	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Drumbrae Park	Community Park	Good	Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Fauldburn Park	Community Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Glendevon Park	Community Park	Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Gyle Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Roseburn Park	City Park	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
St Margarets Park	Community Park	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Union Park	City Park	Good	Good	Good	Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

### West Neighbourhood sites in quality order

Rank	Citywide Rank	Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+/- %
1=	10=	Cammo Estate	Natural Park	68%	72%	+4%
1=	10=	Corstorphine Hill	Natural Park	74%	72%	-2%
3	15=	St Margarets Park	Community Park	70%	71%	+1%
4	28=	Station Road Pk, S Queensferry	Community Park	66%	69%	+3%
5	32=	Davidsons Mains Park	City Park	65%	68%	+3%
6=	40=	Cramond Foreshore	Natural Park	68%	67%	-1%

6=	40=	Lauriston Castle	Garden	58%	67%	+9%
8=	51=	Gyle Park	City Park	61%	65%	+4%
8=	51=	Roseburn Park	City Park	65%	65%	0%
10	62=	River Almond Walkway	Natural Park	61%	63%	+2%
11=	66=	Allison Park, Kirkliston	Community Park	60%	62%	+2%
11=	66=	Inchcolm Park, S Queensferry	Community Park	60%	62%	+2%
13=	77=	Balgreen Park	Community Park	56%	60%	+4%
13=	77=	Clermiston Park	Community Park	56%	60%	+4%
13=	77=	Fauldburn Park	Community Park	60%	60%	0%
13=	77=	Ferry Glen & Back Braes	Natural Park	56%	60%	+4%
17=	84=	Buttercup Farm Park	Community Park	-	59%	-
17=	84=	Drumbrae Park	Community Park	56%	59%	+3%
17=	84=	Ratho Station Park	Community Park	53%	59%	+6%
20=	90=	Cramond Walled Garden	Garden	55%	58%	+3%
20=	90=	Glendevon Park	Community Park	58%	58%	0%
20=	90=	King George V Pk, (SQ)	Community Park	53%	58%	+5%
20=	90=	Union Park	City Park	50%	58%	+8%
24	96=	Haugh Park	Community Park	60%	57%	-3%
25=	104=	Dundas Park, S Queensferry	Community Park	52%	55%	+3%
25=	104=	Pikes Pool	Natural Park	42%	55%	+13%
25=	104=	Riverside Park	Community Park	55%	55%	0%
28=	132=	Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	55%	47%	-8%
28=	132=	Ratho Station Recreation Ground	Recreation Ground	48%	47%	-1%

### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2014	2015	+ / - %	+ / - Rank
Pikes Pool	Natural Heritage Park	42%	55%	+13%	+33
Parkside, Newbridge	Community Park	55%	47%	-8%	-38



St Margaret's Park



Pikes Pool

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Allison Park, Kirkliston	7	7	7	6	6	7	9	7	7	8	7	6	7	6	4	10	2	7	5	2	0	7	6	4	7	5	62%
Balgreen Park	6	6	7	7	7	6	9	8	8	9	6	7	8	6	4	10	2	7	3	0	0	1	6	4	4	2	60%
Buttercup Farm Park	8	8	4	7	9	8	8	8	9	7	6	8	8	6	4	7	2	6	3	0	0	2	6	4	2	1	59%
Cammo Estate	7	6	6	7	6	7	8	6	7	9	7	5	7	6	10	10	9	7	9	6	4	8	6	8	7	8	72%
Clermiston Park	7	7	7	5	6	6	8	7	7	7	7	6	8	6	4	10	2	7	6	5	0	3	6	4	6	3	60%
Corstorphine Hill	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	8	7	7	7	6	10	10	7	7	8	8	8	8	6	8	7	6	72%
Cramond Foreshore	7	7	7	7	7	6	8	8	8	6	7	7	8	6	4	10	2	6	8	8	7	7	6	4	7	7	67%
Cramond Walled Gdn	7	6	5	5	7	6	8	8	8	7	6	6	7	6	4	7	2	7	6	5	7	5	6	4	4	1	58%
Davidsons Mains Park	8	8	8	8	7	7	9	7	7	7	6	7	7	6	4	10	2	8	7	5	0	6	6	4	8	8	68%
Drumbrae Park	6	6	7	5	7	7	8	4	7	6	8	6	6	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	3	6	4	6	4	59%
Dundas Park, SQ	6	7	6	6	7	7	9	5	5	7	6	4	6	6	4	10	2	7	5	0	0	1	6	4	5	2	55%
Fauldburn Park	6	7	7	6	6	7	7	7	6	8	5	6	7	6	4	10	2	6	5	5	0	6	6	4	8	4	60%
Ferry Glen & Bk Braes	6	6	7	5	4	6	4	6	6	6	5	5	5	6	10	10	2	6	7	0	0	6	6	8	6	5	60%
Glendevon Park	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	7	6	6	6	4	10	2	6	6	0	0	1	6	4	4	6	58%
Gyle Park	7	8	8	7	6	7	8	8	7	7	8	5	6	6	4	10	2	7	5	0	0	6	6	8	6	4	65%
Haugh Park	6	6	5	5	6	6	8	7	7	6	6	6	8	6	4	10	2	7	5	6	0	3	6	4	5	2	57%
Inchcolm Park, SQ	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	7	8	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	1	6	4	6	4	62%
King George V Pk, SQ	8	6	6	5	7	8	9	7	7	7	5	8	7	6	4	10	2	6	6	1	0	1	6	4	6	4	58%
Lauriston Castle	7	8	6	7	7	8	9	8	8	9	8	7	7	6	4	7	2	8	8	6	6	4	6	8	4	5	67%
Parkside, Newbridge	6	7	6	5	5	6	2	5	5	3	4	5	5	6	4	10	2	6	5	0	0	1	6	4	4	1	47%
Pikes Pool	6	5	5	5	4	6	6	5	4	6	6	5	5	6	10	10	2	6	8	0	0	7	6	4	2	2	55%
Ratho Station Park	7	6	6	6	8	7	7	8	7	6	6	5	6	6	4	10	2	7	5	4	0	6	6	4	6	3	59%
Ratho Station Rec	4	4	3	3	5	6	7	3	5	7	5	0	6	6	4	10	2	4	6	0	0	1	6	4	3	3	47%

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River Almond Walkway	7	6	5	4	6	6	6	6	7	8	7	5	7	6	10	10	7	6	8	7	5	5	6	8	4	3	63%
Riverside Park	5	6	5	3	8	6	8	7	7	8	7	6	7	6	4	10	2	6	6	0	0	1	6	4	3	2	55%
Roseburn Park	8	8	7	8	6	8	8	8	7	6	8	6	6	6	4	10	2	8	4	0	6	5	6	4	7	6	65%
St Margarets Park	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	9	8	7	8	8	8	6	4	7	2	8	6	7	7	6	6	8	7	7	71%
Station Road Pk, SQ	8	8	8	7	8	7	9	8	8	8	7	7	7	6	4	7	2	7	7	0	0	5	6	8	7	7	69%
Union Park	6	7	6	6	7	7	8	6	7	4	6	6	7	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	3	6	4	6	2	58%

### 7.9 Natural Heritage Service, Botanical & Specialist Sites

	Citywide					+/-
Rank	Rank	Site Name	Area	2014	2015	%
1	1	Pentland Hills Regional Park	South West	75%	81%	+6%
2	2	Easter Craiglockhart Hill	South West	76%	75%	-1%
3=	10=	Cammo Estate	West	68%	72%	+4%
3=	10=	Corstorphine Hill	West	74%	72%	- <b>2</b> %
3=	10=	H'tage of Braid inc B'ford Hill	South	78%	72%	-6%
6	21=	Colinton & Craiglockhart Dells	South West	71%	70%	-1%
7=	32=	Craigmillar Castle Park	East	71%	68%	-3%
7=	32=	Ravelston Woods	North	72%	68%	-4%
9	40=	Cramond Foreshore	West	68%	67%	-1%
10=	47=	Burdiehouse Burn Valley Park	South	63%	66%	+3%
10=	47=	Meadows Yard	East	65%	66%	+1%
12	62=	River Almond Walkway	West	61%	63%	+2%

#### Natural Heritage Service sites in quality order

### Most improved and deteriorated sites

Site Name	Classification	2013	2014	+ / - %	+ / - Rank
Pentland Hills Regional Park	South West	75%	81%	+6%	+2
H'tage of Braid inc B'ford Hill	South	78%	72%	-6%	-9
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#### **Improvement Actions**

Prior to this year's assessments, site mangers were asked to provide an update with regards to improvement actions that had taken place in their parks since the last PQA assessment. Each action was then aligned to one criterion resulting in the ability to provide an overview as to where improvements were targeted across the Neighbourhood.

Further to this, we were able to demonstrate where improvements had had an impact on the targeted criteria following this year's assessments by noting if the criteria score had increased, remained static or decreased. It is worth noting that although improvement actions should in theory increase the scores, there will be other factors that judges will consider that may result in changes to criteria scores and therefore these results should be considered for indicative purposes only.

The chart below shows the number of actions for each of the criteria along with how many scores increased, remained static and decreased.



### Judges recommendations

Following the park assessment judges were asked to provide recommendations that, based on their findings, would improve the quality of the site. Again these recommendations were linked to one criterion so as to provide an overview of where judges think improvements should be focused. The chart below shows the number of recommendations for each of the criteria across all parks in the Neighbourhood.





Craigmillar Castle Park



Meadows Yard

## Natural Heritage Sites

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Burdiehouse Burn	7	8	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	4	10	6	7	7	0	0	8	6	8	7	6	66%
Cammo Estate	7	6	6	7	6	7	8	6	7	9	7	5	7	6	10	10	9	7	9	6	4	8	6	8	7	8	72%
Colinton Dell	8	6	7	5	6	7	7	6	6	8	4	7	5	6	10	10	8	7	8	8	6	9	6	8	7	7	70%
Corstorphine Hill	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	8	7	7	7	6	10	10	7	7	8	8	8	8	6	8	7	6	72%
Craigmillar Castle	7	8	6	7	6	5	4	6	7	5	6	7	8	6	10	10	7	6	8	8	0	7	6	8	7	5	68%
Cramond Foreshore	7	7	7	7	7	6	8	8	8	6	7	7	8	6	4	10	2	6	8	8	7	7	6	4	7	7	67%
Easter Craiglockhart	8	7	7	5	6	7	7	7	8	8	8	7	8	6	10	10	7	8	9	8	0	8	6	8	7	8	75%
Hermitage of Braid	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	7	7	6	5	7	7	6	10	10	8	6	6	7	8	9	6	8	8	9	72%
Meadows Yard	7	6	6	3	5	3	7	6	7	9	4	6	7	6	10	10	8	7	8	7	0	4	6	8	7	7	66%
Pentland Regional	9	7	10	8	8	8	9	9	7	8	8	7	7	6	10	10	6	8	10	7	8	9	6	8	9	8	81%
Ravelston Woods	6	7	7	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	6	10	10	8	8	8	7	7	6	6	8	6	6	68%
River Almond	7	6	5	4	6	6	6	6	7	8	7	5	7	6	10	10	7	6	8	7	5	5	6	8	4	3	63%

### 7.10 Green Flag Award Sites

Site Name	Neighbourhood	2012	2013	2014	2015	Trend	Std Met
Braidburn Valley Park	South	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
B'house Burn Valley	South	Good +	Good	Good+	V. Good	1	Yes
Corstorphine Hill	West	V. Good	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Craigmillar Castle	East	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Easter Craiglockhart Hill	South West	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	<b>→</b> ←	Yes
Ferniehill Comm. Park	South	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Ferry Glen & Back Braes	West	V. Good	Good+	Good	Good+	1	Yes
Figgate Park	East	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Hailes Quarry Park	South West	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Harrison Park	South West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Hermitage & Blackford	South	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	. ↓	Yes
Hopetoun Cresc. Gardens	CC&L	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Inverleith Park	North	Good	Good+	Good	Good+	1	Yes
King George V Park	North	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Lochend Park	East	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
London Road Gardens	CC&L	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Morningside Park	South	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Muir Wood Park	South West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Pentland Hills Regional	South West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Portobello Comm. Park	East	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Prestonfield Park	South	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Princes St Gardens	CC&L	Good +	Good+	Good+	Good+	→←	Yes
Ravelston Park	North	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Ravelston Woods	North	n/a	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	→←	Yes
Rosefield Park	East	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Spylaw Park	South West	Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	<b>^</b>	Yes
St Margaret's Park	West	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Starbank Park	North	V. Good	V. Good	V. Good	Excellent	<b>^</b>	Yes
Station Road Park	West	Excellent	V. Good	Excellent	Excellent	→←	Yes
Victoria Park	North	Excellent	Excellent	V. Good	V. Good	<b>→</b> ←	Yes

#### **Average PQS**



# % of sites meeting Edinburgh Minimum Standard



**Bandwidths** 

**Bandwidth Trend** 

**Park Quality Scores Trend** 



■Excellent ■Very Good ■Good+



■Improved ■Static ■Deteriorated



**Selected Criteria Averages** 

□2014 ■2015









Starbank Park



Fernieside Community Park

#### Improvements since last year

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Braidburn Valley	7	8	7	7	7	7	9	6	7	9	7	5	7	6	4	7	4	5	8	7	4	9	6	9	7	7	68%
Burdiehouse Burn	7	8	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	6	6	6	6	6	4	10	6	7	7	0	0	8	6	8	7	6	66%
Corstorphine Hill	7	7	7	6	6	6	6	6	7	8	7	7	7	6	10	10	7	7	8	8	8	8	6	8	7	6	72%
Craigmillar Castle	7	8	6	7	6	5	4	6	7	5	6	7	8	6	10	10	7	6	8	8	0	7	6	8	7	5	68%
Easter Craiglockhart	8	7	7	5	6	7	7	7	8	8	8	7	8	6	10	10	7	8	9	8	0	8	6	8	7	8	75%
Ferniehill Comm. Pk	9	8	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	8	8	7	8	6	5	7	6	8	6	0	0	6	7	7	7	7	74%
Ferry Glen&B. Braes	6	6	7	5	4	6	4	6	6	6	5	5	5	6	10	10	2	6	7	0	0	6	6	8	6	5	60%
Figgate Burn Park	7	8	7	8	7	8	9	9	8	8	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	8	9	7	0	7	6	8	8	8	73%
Hailes Quarry Park	7	7	7	8	8	7	7	8	7	6	7	7	6	6	4	10	2	7	7	0	0	8	6	8	8	8	69%
Harrison Park	9	9	9	9	9	9	8	7	8	7	7	8	8	6	4	7	2	8	7	0	0	6	6	8	8	7	73%
HOB / Blackford Hill	7	7	7	7	7	6	6	7	7	6	5	7	7	6	10	10	8	6	6	7	8	9	6	8	8	9	72%
Hopetoun Crescent	7	7	8	7	7	8	5	8	7	7	1	1	7	6	4	10	3	7	7	9	8	9	6	8	8	9	72%
Inverleith Park	7 7	8 8	7 7	8	8	8	9 7	7	8	8	6 4	6	7	6	4	7	5	7	8	7 5	7 6	8	6	8	8	7	71%
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Morningside Park	7	8	8	8	6	9	0 9	9	7	9	0 5	7	6	6	4	7	6	8 7	0 7	0	0	5	6	9	6	8	70%
Muir Wood Park	8	8	8	8	7	9 7	9 7	8	7	7	7	7	7	6	4	10	2	7	8	6	0	7	6	8	7	7	70%
Pentland Hills	8 9	7	10	8	8	8	9	9	7	8	8	7	7	6	4	10	6	8	10	7	8	9	6	8	9	8	81%
Portobello Com.Gdn	8	8	6	8	8	8	4	8	8	6	6	8	8	6	4	10	2	0	6	8	9	6	6	8	6	6	68%
Prestonfield Park	8	9	7	8	9	9	7	8	8	8	7	8	8	6	4	7	5	7	5	6	0	8	7	8	7	8	73%
Princes Street Gdns	8	8	7	7	8	8	9	9	8	9	8	7	8	6	7	7	4	7	7	9	8	4	6	8	6	6	73%
Ravelston Park	7	8	7	8	8	8	9	8	8	8	7	7	8	6	4	10	8	7	4	7	7	6	6	8	7	3	71%
Ravelston Woods	6	7	7	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	6	10	10	8	8	8	7	7	6	6	8	6	6	68%

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Rosefield Park Spylaw Park	8 7	8 7	8 9	7 6	8 7	9 7	<sup>50</sup> 9 7	9 7	9 7	8	8 8 8	8 7	7 7	6 6	4		2 2 2 7	T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	7 7 7	6	7 7 7 7 8	5 4	6 6	4 8	7	7	71% 66%
Rosefield Park Spylaw Park St Margarets Park	8 7 8	8 7	8 9 8	7 6	8 7 8	9 7	9 7 8	9 7 9	9 7 8	8 8 7	8 8 8	8 7 8	7 7	6 6 6	4 4 4		2 2 7 7 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	7 7 8 8	7 7 6	6	7 7 7 7	5 4 6	6 6 6	4 8 8	7 6 7	7 6 7	71% 66% 71%

### 7.11 Desktop Criteria Scoring Guidance

### Listed below is the guidance and scoring used in assessing desktop criteria.

#### **Environmental Sustainability**

Here is the reasoning for a general citywide environmental score of 6 out of 10, however site managers can adjust this score if sustaianable practices have been implemented on site.

Un-metered electricity use (which will include street lighting and Christmas lights in park) has essentially flat lined over the past three years but there has been a slight decline over the period, we are monitoring usage and street lighting and is including within the scope of the Council's Carbon Management Plan.

The city has a number of Air Quality Management Areas and these will cover city centre parks. However, we are actively seeking to redress our air quality problems through our Air Quality Action Plan

We have a Green Fleet Policy which applies to all Council vehicles active in park management and a number of specific initiatives e.g. electric scooters for environmental wardens have been brought forward in recent years;

In terms of water, an extensive programme of water repairs and metering in parks was taken forward a few years ago as part of a Council-wide Water management Project

Some parks may occasionally suffer from or be the source of noise pollution. However, an extensive programme of citywide noise mapping has been completed and a Noise Action Plan has been prepared by the Council and its partners

#### Pesticides

A policy needs to be developed that considers the minimisation of herbicide use. Meanwhile herbicide application is only used when cultural practises will not provide adequate control. Only affected areas are treated and only then using strategies that are sensitive to the needs of the public and the environment. All operatives are trained to the approved certification level for the application of chemicals. The application of herbicides is scheduled during off-peak times of park use and signs are posted to indicate the re-entry time period if appropriate. It was agreed that a score of 10 out of 10 for natural sites and 4 out of 10 for others would be recorded unless site managers proposed a new score accompanied with evidence.

#### Peat Use

The only use of peat by the Parks and Greenspace Service is in the production of bedding plants at the Council's Inch Nursery. Since 2004 the nursery has reduced it's consumption of peat by 25% and aims to meet national targets of 90% by 2010. A number of alternatives to peat have been incorporated into the growing mixes for plant production at the nursery, including; compost derived from the Council green waste collections, the nursery own compost, worm cast, fine bark, vermiculite and sand. Trials have been run since 2007 to assess the best mix to support seedling and plant growth. It was agreed that a score of 7 should apply where bedding is used in a site and where no peat is used a score of 10.

#### **Waste Minimisation**

It was agreed that a corporate score of 2 out of 10 would apply to all sites for 2009. This is perhaps unfair to those sites that do attempt to manage their waste so it would be relevant for each site to be judged independently. Each site should be judged considering the following:

- Does the park have on site recycling facilities for litter
- Does the park have on site composting/recycling facilities for greenwaste
- Following maintenance operations is green waste disposed of on site. N.b It should not be deemed 'good' if the site has no greenwaste to dispose of through lack of maintenance operations, please score on the basis of what would happen if the operations were carried out.

#### Scoring

- 7-10 Waste is sorted on site and <u>all green waste is recycled/composted</u>
- 5-7 Waste is sorted on site and <u>some green waste is recycled/composted</u>
- 5-7 Waste is not sorted on site but <u>all</u> green waste is recycled/composted
- 3-5 Waste is not sorted but <u>some</u> green waste is recycled/composted
- 1-2 Waste is not sorted and green waste is not recycled/composted

#### **Conservation of Landscape**

The following table was used to judge the Conservation of Landscape for each site:

Where landscapes have been established as being important for historical reasons and / or design reasons they should be conserved as far as possible. The whole park should evidence the historic design relationship between buildings and built features, woods, trees in groups and single specimens, shrubberies and planting beds, open areas, water bodies, circulation routes and important view lines.

Each site should be judged by asking the following questions:

- Has the site been designated an area of natural or historical interest?
- Do important views and vistas still exist?
- Do the style and standard of horticultural displays harmonise with the sites historic character?
- Are efforts made to provide for continuity in historic collections of trees and shrubs?
- Are efforts made to retain or replace ornamental detailing on historic features?
- Do new or replacement features conserve or enhance the sites historic character?

#### Scoring

- 9: If the answers to applicable questions are YES and the site has been designated as one of historical interest.
- 7: If most of the answers to applicable questions are YES
- 5: If some of the answers to applicable questions are YES
- 2: If none of the answers to applicable questions are YES
- 1: If none of the answers to applicable questions are YES and the site has a designation.
- 0: Not Applicable to site

#### **Community Involvement**

The following scale was used to judge the involvement of each site:

9-10: Very active in running the park

- 8: Active, lots of events, fundraising etc
- 7: Good, some events
- 6: Fair, group in place, hold meetings
- 5: Group exists but does little
- 4: Periodic community involvement
- 2-3: Some involvement in past (millennium planting etc)
- 1: Never been any involvement

#### **Community Provision**

A score of 6 out of 10 was awarded to every site based on the support from each of the Neighbourhoods in the form of funding, etc unless site managers proposed a new score accompanied with evidence.

#### Marketing

The following scale was used to judge Marketing and Promotion of each site unless site managers proposed a new score accompanied with evidence.

- 7 Countryside Ranger Site
- 7 Friends Site with regular newsletters etc
- 7 Green Flag Sites
- 4 No marketing except our own website etc