

REPORT TO:	HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 8
DATE OF MEETING:	01 JUNE 2023	CATEGORY: RECOMMENDED
REPORT FROM:	STRATEGIC DIRECTOR (SERVICE DELIVERY)	OPEN
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SUBJECT:	PARKS AND GREEN SPACES SERVICE STANDARDS POLICY REVIEW	
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE:

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 To agree and approve the reviewed Parks and Green Spaces Service Standards Policy.

2.0 Purpose of the Report

- 2.1 This report presents the reviewed Parks and Green Spaces Service Standards Policy for approval by Council. The Council requires all Policies to be reviewed on a regular basis.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The policy sets out the Council's commitment to its service standards for Parks and Green Spaces.
- 3.2 The policy replaces the old cultural services unit standards policy following the 2021 restructure.
- 3.3 There have not been any legislative changes since the last review of the Policy, the changes in this policy are mostly updated sections required by the new Corporate Policy template. The main changes are as follows:
- I. Renamed Park and Green Spaces policy following the 2021 restructure*
 - II. Addition of Rosliston Forestry Centre and the Environmental Education Team*
 - III. Addition of the new tree management policy*

4.0 Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications associated with this policy.

6.0 Corporate Implications

Employment Implications

6.1 There are no employment implications from this policy.

Legal Implications

6.2 There are no legal implications from this policy.

Corporate Plan Implications

This policy contributes to all the priority areas in the Council's Corporate Plan, contributing to Our Environment, Our People and Our Future through protecting and supporting investment, independent living, leisure, and cultural activity and focus on the community as residents and customers..

7.0 Community Impact

Consultation

7.1 Only internal consultation is required for this policy.

Equality and Diversity Impact

7.2 There were no negative impacts on any of the characteristics from this policy.

Social Value Impact

7.4 The provision of quality Parks and Green spaces that can be used by all members of our communities are a key element of supporting healthy, sustainable and livable communities.

Environmental Sustainability

7.5 Green Spaces can provide positive environmental benefits that can offset other council carbon use.

8.0 Conclusions

8.1 This policy sets out the Council's Parks and Green Spaces Service Standards, improving the quality of life for local people and increasing access to nature within our communities. This policy details our commitment, along with the standards of service that the public can expect.

9.0 Background Papers

9.1 Park and Green Spaces Service Standards