The Parks Protection Service

The Parks Protection Service are part of the Parks and Open Spaces Service and work specifically in our sites. The team work 7 days a week and cover key times throughout the day and evening. They are based centrally in the borough at The Lodge in Raphael Park and travel using motorbikes and an off-road vehicle. Therefore they can respond to incidents quickly and can effectively patrol our sites.

Their main purpose is to make the borough’s parks and open spaces safe and pleasant places for people to visit. This involves regular targeted patrols, enforcing byelaws and other relevant legislation and liaising with the community. They also work in partnership with the police, ambulance service, fire service and borough dog warden.

For any concerns with anti-social behaviour or criminal activity in our parks or open spaces please do not hesitate to call them.

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Foreword

“In the spring the field was thick with cowslips, and in the hedgerows, in the tangled bank, under the hawthorn hedge and the ash tree, there were pale primroses and violets of many colours, from rich purple to a white touched with mauve.”

A. S. Byatt, “Ragnarok”, 2011

Nature has inspired writers, artists and architects in different ways at different times. Havering plays a central role in the natural environment of this part of England. Among other things, we have about a third of the reedbeds and hedgerows in London, about a fifth of all the ponds and lakes in the city and the largest population of species such as stag beetle and great crested newt. Not bad for one out of 32 boroughs!

Over recent years concerted efforts to protect and enhance habitats and species of flora and fauna have reaped rich rewards in Havering, with increases recorded in some species of butterflies, moths, song birds and the plants which they need to survive recorded by conservation groups and volunteers.

Havering’s parks, public gardens and natural landscapes are central to this work, forming rich natural environments which link our towns to the countryside which we are lucky enough to be surrounded by, offering excellent opportunities for sport, arts, relaxation, children’s play and facilities for teenagers, and being essential aspects of our historic environment and the histories of communities in this borough ever since Havering was first mentioned in Domesday Book nearly 1,000 years ago.

I hope that this guide helps you to gain more pleasure from the parks, gardens and landscapes which are the distinctive feature of our borough.

Cllr. Andrew Curtin.
Cabinet Member for Culture, Towns and Communities.
Abbey Wood Open Space
Abbey Wood Lane, Rainham, RM13 9QH
An area of amenity open space adjacent to a privately owned lake giving direct access to Hornchurch Country Park. It is the start of a walk along the Ingrebourne Valley which reaches Hornchurch Stadium in Upminster.

Bancroft Chase Open Space
Bancroft Chase, Hornchurch, RM12 4DR
Small open space with children's play area which is used by the local community. Links to The Chase Local Nature Reserve and in turn to Harrow Lodge Park.

Bedfords Park
Broxhill Road, Havering-Atte-Bower, RM4 1QH
Lower Bedfords Road, Rise Park, RM1 4DG
Once a privately owned estate, this is one of Havering’s largest parks and has achieved Green Flag status since 2007. It is also a designated Local Nature Reserve. It is home to a herd of captive red deer which are a popular attraction. The extensive grounds of meadow and mature woodland provide a variety of walks and the opportunity to bird watch. Worth visiting is the impressive visitor’s centre which is run by the Essex Wildlife Trust. There you can buy light refreshments and relax and enjoy the panoramic views across the borough to London.

Bosworth Field (Myrtle Road Open Space)
Myrtle Road, Harold Hill, RM3 8XS
A small area of open grassland used by the local community for walking and informal recreation.

Bretons Outdoor Recreation Centre
Rainham Road, South Hornchurch, RM13 7LP
A large, mainly open recreation ground supporting a variety of activities including football, and model flying. There is also a large lake surrounded by mature trees.

Brittons Playing Field
Rainham Road, South Hornchurch, RM13 7LJ
Ford Lane, South Hornchurch, RM13 7AT
An open recreation field which caters for formal and informal recreation. Facilities include a children's play area with inclusive play equipment and skate/bmx park.

Central Park
Petersfield Avenue, Harold Hill, RM3 9PB
Gooshays Drive, Harold Hill, RM3 9LB
Dagnam Park Drive, Harold Hill, RM3 9DL
An extensive parkland of open fields and undulating woodland providing opportunities for pleasant walks and bird watching. The park forms part of the route for the Ingrebourne Way cycling and pedestrian path from Dagnam Park Drive to Petersfield Avenue. The cricket pitch is used by the resident club. There is also a large playsite with inclusive play equipment and trim trail.

Introduction
Havering has a great deal of parkland and protected countryside. In fact it covers more than half the borough. The council manages a large variety of sites from small village greens, to large urban and country parks. In partnership with community groups, we work to constantly improve these valuable assets. This guide covers a selection of our Parks and Open Spaces.
Collier Row Recreation Ground

Collier Row Road, Collier Row, RM5 2BD
This is a pleasant local park and playsite with inclusive play equipment, including a multi-use games area. The River Rom forms one boundary and access can be gained at the north end of the park to Collier Row Green Link.

Cranham Brickfields

Sunnycroft Gardens, Cranham, RM14 1HR
Diverse open space with a good pathway network which is a designated Local Nature Reserve with access to woodland and a pond. Facilities include a children’s playsite with inclusive play equipment.

Dagnam Park

Settle Road, Harold Hill, RM3 9XR
Chequers Road, Noak Hill, RM3 7NA
Sedgefield Crescent, Harold Hill, RM3 9RS
Whitchurch Road, Harold Hill, RM3 9EH
Known locally as The Manor, this extensive parkland covers open fields, mature woodland and established ponds. It has a rich interesting history as well as being abundant in natural habitats.

Cottons Park

London Road, Romford, RM7 9QX
Cottons Approach, Romford, RM7 7AA
Marks Road, Romford, RM7 7AH
Recreation Avenue, Romford, RM7 9ET
This is a large, well used, urban park on the edge of Romford Town Centre catering for all ages. Green Flag status has been achieved since 2009. For an urban park there is a good amount of wildlife with varied habitats in the borders and meadow. Facilities include a playsite with inclusive play equipment, multi-use games ball court, skate/bmx park and outdoor gym. In 2009 a circle of sculptured logs were installed to commemorate the six local civilians who lost their lives as a result of German bombing during World War II.
fauna and flora. The park provides ample areas for leisurely pursuits including bird watching, nature walks, picnics and informal sport. It is also the start of the Ingrebourne Way Connect 2 route in the north of the borough.

**Gaiynes Parkway**
Hacton Lane, Hornchurch, RM14 2NL
Southview Drive, Upminster, RM14 2LL
Bridge Avenue, Upminster, RM14 2LX
A linear open space running alongside the River Ingrebourne and is part of the Ingrebourne Valley. There is a pathway that runs between Hornchurch Stadium and Hacton Lane which provides for good walking and cycling opportunity. For those with more energy access can be gained on foot or cycle between Hornchurch Stadium in the north end of the valley and Hornchurch Country Park and towards Rainham to the south.

**Gidea Park Sports Ground**
Main Road, Romford, RM2 6NP
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**Gedge Close Open Space**
Fleet Close, Cranham, RM14 1PS
Small open space with play equipment for younger children and access to countryside.

**Grenfell Park**
Edison Close, Hornchurch, RM12 4DV
Rush Green Road, RM7 0PT
Lying next to the YMCA at Roneo Corner this parkland runs alongside the River Rom. Much of the area is used for conservation purposes with links to The Chase Nature Reserve. There is also a children’s playsite with inclusive play equipment and a field for informal recreation.

**Hall Lane Mini Golf Course**
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**Harold Wood Park**
Harold View, Harold Wood, RM3 0LX
Recreation Ave, Harold Wood, RM3 0TD
A large park which has achieved Green Flag status since 2009 A grid of footpaths provides the opportunity for circular walks from the car park. Facilities include a summer meadow, playsite with inclusive play equipment, multi-use ball court, skate/bmx equipment, tennis courts and outdoor gym. The resident sports association use the park for football and cricket. The River Ingrebourne
Havering Village Green
North Rd, Havering-Atte-Bower, RM4 1PL
Situated in the ancient village of Havering-Atte-Bower the green lies in front of the Church of St John. Of historical interest are the old stocks that can still be seen on one corner of the green.

Haynes Park
Slewins Lane, Hornchurch, RM11 2BU
Northumberland Drive, Hornchurch, RM11 2HL
Haynes Road, Hornchurch, RM11 2HU
A large urban park used for both formal and informal recreation. Facilities include a children's playsite with inclusive play equipment, multi-use games ball court and tennis courts. Local teams can also hire football pitches.

Havering Country Park
Pinewood Rd, Havering-Atte-Bower, RM4 1PB
Wellingtonia Ave, Havering-Atte-Bower, RM4 1QP
St Johns Road, Collier Row, RM5 2RT
Clockhouse Lane, Collier Row, RM5 3PH
Large country park with good mixture of grassland and woodland. Formerly part of the estate of Havering Palace with Charles I being the last monarch to stay there in the 17th century. There is an impressive avenue of Wellingtonia trees (Giant Redwoods), which is one of two plantations in the country. This park provides good links from both the urban environment and Havering-Atte-Bower Village into the surrounding countryside. There are also bridleways which run through the park that are used by local horse riders.

Harrow Lodge Park
Hornchurch Rd, Hornchurch, RM11 1JR
Warren Drive, Elm Park, RM12 4QU
Upper Rainham Rd, Elm Park, RM12 4EZ
Harrow Lodge is one of the largest parks in the borough and also one of the most popular due to the facilities provided. There are several car parks located throughout the park allowing easy access. The River Ravensbourne cuts a path through the park before entering the first of two large mature lakes, one of which is used for boating. Other facilities include a café, 2 playsites with inclusive play equipment and multi-use ball courts (at either end of the park) and tennis courts. The park is used by the resident clubs for cricket and hockey and local teams can also hire football pitches. Set inside the park at its northern boundary is Hornchurch Sports Centre. A popular location for major events including the Havering Show and visiting fairgrounds.

Havering Village Green
runs along on boundary of the park across which access can be gained to Pages Wood, a site managed by the Forestry Commission, and part of the Thames Chase woodland.
Hornchurch Country Park
Squadrons Approach, Hornchurch, RM12 6TS
South End Road, South Hornchurch, RM13 7YD
Large country park that has a good mix of heritage and ecology. The park has been awarded gold in the Best Country Park category for London in Bloom. The former RAF Hornchurch base was used during the First and Second World Wars. Squadrons of Spitfires based here played an important role protecting London during the Battle of Britain. Various artifacts and relics of the site’s RAF history are still visible from within the park including, an aircraft dispersal bay, pillboxes, and tett turrets. A designated Local Nature Reserve, the park is an integral part of the Ingrebourne Valley which is rich in wildlife and has good opportunities for bird watching. The marshes (containing the largest freshwater reed bed in London) is a Site of Special Scientific Interest. The park has open areas of grassland for informal recreation and a lake which can be used for fishing. The play area includes a model Spitfire and also inclusive play equipment. For those visitors who wish to exercise then there is an outdoor gym and ‘trim-trail’ which extends throughout the park.

Hylands Park
Osbourne Road, Hornchurch, RM11 1HA
Hyland Way, Hornchurch, RM11 1DZ
Globe Road, Hornchurch, RM11 1BN
An urban park situated in the middle of residential housing which has achieved Green Flag status since 2008. A circular tree lined pathway traces the outside boundary of the park. This allows easy access to all areas and gives visitors a pleasant route to follow, whether they wish to take a gentle stroll or a more energetic jog. Facilities include a children’s playsite, multi-use games ball court, outdoor gym and tennis courts. The resident clubs use the park for cricket and football.

Jutsums Recreation Ground
Crow Lane, Romford, RM7 0ER
This is a small local park that has children’s playsite.

Keats Avenue Open Space
Keats Avenue, Harold Hill, RM3 7NS
A small area of amenity grassland used mainly by residents for informal play and dog walking.
King Georges Playing Field
Eastern Avenue, Collier Row, RM7 7PN
Mawney Road, Collier Row, RM7 8DL
Running alongside the River Rom this flat area of grassland is ideal for both informal and formal recreation. Pleasant walks can be taken along the river and children of all ages can use the play area with inclusive play equipment, multi-use games ball court, skate/bmx equipment and outdoor gym. There is also a café which is adjacent to the car park, a bowls green which is used by resident clubs and local teams can hire football pitches.

Langtons Gardens
Billet Lane, Hornchurch, RM11 1AX
Keswick Avenue, Hornchurch, RM11 1XR
A very popular and well loved historical garden located in the middle of Hornchurch. The grounds, originally designed by Sir Humphrey Repton, have, through the years, provided a beautiful backdrop for many wedding photographs. With mature trees and a lake this is a popular area to sit, relax and unwind. The gardens have been awarded silver gilt in the Best Small Park category for London in Bloom.

Lawns Park

Lessa Open Space
Wymark Close, Rainham, RM13 8SW
Cherry Tree Close, Rainham, RM13 8TX
This open space has ample room for informal recreation and has a play equipment for children of all ages including a large multi-use games ball court.

Lilliput Road Open Space
Lilliput Rd, Rush Green, RM7 0BJ
A small area of open grassland used mainly by local residents.

Lodge Farm Park
Main Road, Romford, RM2 5JB
Lodge Avenue, Romford, RM2 5AD
Carlton Road, Romford, RM2 5AA
A busy park just on the edge of Romford Town Centre and can be used as the start of a route through Raphael Park and Rise Park to Bedfords Park in the north of the borough. The park has been awarded Green Flag status since 2008 it is well landscaped and includes a border which attracts butterflies and bees. The park has also been awarded a silver gilt in the Best Park category for London in Bloom. A surfaced footpath, which loops the park, makes this site an ideal location for short circular walks from the car park off Main Road. Within the park there is a playsite with inclusive play equipment with equipment to entertain young visitors, an outdoor gym and tennis courts.
Queens Theatre Green
Billet Lane, Hornchurch, RM11 1AX
Situated on the edge of Hornchurch Town Centre this green is a good location to relax. It is also a popular venue for events and has two summer meadows.

Rainham Local Nature Reserve
Ferry Lane, Rainham RM13 9BY
Part of Rainham Wildspace, this site is part of the Inner Thames Marshes site of special Scientific Interest, comprised of Rainham, Wennington and Aveley Marshes. The site is of national importance for nature conservation, home to small mammals and wetland plants.

Rainham Recreation Ground
Upminster Road South, Rainham, RM13 9AA
Situated in Rainham Village, this is a small open area for informal recreation. It has a children's playsite with inclusive play equipment, multi-use games ball court and outdoor gym.

Louis Marchesi (Maybank Open Space)
Maybank Avenue, Elm Park, RM12 5SA
Small open space with a children's play area with inclusive play equipment which is used by the local community.

Mardyke Open Space
Roman Close, Rainham, RM13 8QB
Frederick Road, Rainham, RM13 8NS
A good community area with an open field for informal recreation, football pitch and meadow area. Facilities include a children's play area with inclusive play equipment and ball court.

Noak Hill Sports Ground
Church Rd, Noak Hill, RM4 1LD
An open area of grassland that is used mainly for sporting activities. Set on a hill it has the benefit of views across the Essex countryside.

North Hill Recreation Ground
North Hill Drive, Harold Hill, RM3 9DH
Ashbourne Road, Harold Hill, RM3 7YT
A local recreation ground with sloping grassed, fringed with mature trees. An area suitable for informal recreation which has a children's play area with inclusive play equipment and ball court.

North Hill Recreation Ground
Church Road, Harold Wood, RM3 0SH
Colchester Road, Harold Wood, RM3 0XR
An informal open space with a children's play area with inclusive play equipment situated alongside Paines Brook.

Painsbrook Open Space
(inc. Guys Field)
Painsbrook Way, Harold Hill, RM3 9PB
St Neots Road, Harold Hill, RM3 9LT
An area of grassland running alongside Paines Brook with an even tarmac footpath which connects St Neots Open Space and Central Park.

Parklands Open Space
Corbets Tey Road, Upminster, RM14 2DT
Park Farm Road, Upminster, RM14 2XU
Formerly part of the Gaynes Estate this is a mature lightly wooded area that provides a very pleasant area for picnicking and informal recreation. The lake gives the area a great deal of character and is popular for angling.

Park Lane Recreation Ground
Park Lane, Hornchurch, RM11 1EG
Maygreen Crescent, Hornchurch, RM11 1EJ
A small recreational ground used for formal and informal sport. There is also a well used playsite with inclusive play equipment for younger children to enjoy.

Priory Road Open Space
Priory Road, Harold Hill, RM3 9AL
An area of open grassland running alongside Carters Brook. There is a small wooded area of mature trees at the southern end known as Little Hatters Wood.

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Raphael Park
Main Road, Romford, RM2 5EB
Lakerise, Romford, RM1 4EE
Brook Road, Gidea Park, RM2 5QT
Parkway, Gidea Park, RM2 5PL
Gidea Close, Gidea Park, RM2 5NP
A large landscaped park originally designed by Sir Humphrey Repton, consisting of a lake, sports facilities, café and large playsite with inclusive play equipment. It is the site of the annual open air theatre as well as host to various music events held at the bandstand. A popular park for families with a variety of areas to cater for all tastes. The park is part of a route from Romford Town Centre to Bedfords Park in the north of the borough, via Rise Park. The Council have been successful with a Heritage Lottery Fund bid for the park and significant improvements to the landscape and facilities, including a new café/interpretation centre, will be undertaken in 2013.

Rise Park
Beaully Way, Rise Park, RM1 4XH
Dee Way, Rise Park, RM1 4UU
Lower Bedfords Road, Rise Park, RM1 4DG
A pleasant area of grassland, with football pitches and a children’s playsite with inclusive play equipment and outdoor gym. There is a summer meadow and stream running through the park which provides pleasant woodland walks. For the more energetic access can be gained to Bedfords Park by crossing Lower Bedfords Road and to Romford Town Centre via Raphael and Lodge Farm Parks.

Romford Library Gardens
St Edwards Way, Romford, RM1 3AR
Small area of grass with seating in front of Central Library.

Spring Farm Park
Lambs Lane North, Rainham, RM13 9XF
Maclennan Avenue, Rainham, RM13 9SS
A well used park on the edge of a residential area. Football pitches are hired by local teams and the resident club use the cricket pitch. There are tennis courts, children’s play area with inclusive play equipment, multi-use games ball court and outdoor gym equipment.

St Andrews Park
Burnway, Hornchurch, RM11 3SQ
Bellevue Road, Hornchurch, RM11 3SS
Popular with the local community, including schools and college, this park has achieved Green Flag status since 2010. Located on the edge of Hornchurch there are great views of St Andrews Church. For an urban park there is a good amount of wildlife with varied habitats in the borders and meadows. There is plenty to keep visitors occupied with a children’s play area with inclusive play equipment and cycle track, multi-use games ball court and outdoor gym.
St Neots Open Space
St Neots Road, Harold Hill, RM3 9LR
An area of open grassland and a playsite with inclusive play equipment used by the local community.

Suttons Parkway
Hacton Drive, Hornchurch, RM12 6DP
Linear open space running alongside the River Ingrebourne is part of the Ingrebourne Valley and links Hacton Parkway to Hornchurch Country Park. There are also links to surrounding countryside via a bridge across the river.

The Chase
Crescent Ave, Hornchurch, RM12 4ED
Bancroft Chase, Hornchurch, RM12 4DR
Local Nature Reserve which is heavily wooded and follows the River Rom. Visitors can enjoy pleasant walks along the river with links to the nearby Grenfell and Harrow Lodge Parks.

The Glen Playsite and Open Space
The Glen, Rainham, RM13 9NS
A open space with a children's playsite with inclusive play equipment and area for informal football games serving the local community.

Tyle Green Open Space
Garland Way, Emerson Park, RM11 2SX
Tyle Green, Emerson Park, RM11 2TB
A pleasant oasis set in the middle of housing comprising open grass, mature trees and a picturesque lake.

Tylers Common
Nags Head Lane, Upminster, RM14 1TS
Diverse common land rich in flora and fauna. A popular site for walking and bird watching.

Upminster Hall Playing Fields
Hall Lane, Upminster, RM14 1AU
Holden Way, Upminster, RM14 1BT
Marlborough Grds, Cranham, RM14 1SR
Enjoying an open aspect onto Hall Lane this playing field supports rugby, football and cricket. A pleasant area for walking, with a playsite with inclusive play equipment, skate/bmx equipment and multi-use games ball court for children to enjoy.

Upminster Park
Corbets Tey Road, Upminster, RM14 2AD
Stewart Avenue, Upminster, RM14 2AF
St Marys Lane, Upminster, RM14 2QH
Brookdale Close, Upminster, RM14 2LU
A very popular park that enjoys an open aspect onto Corbets Tey Road (Upminster High Street). The park has achieved Green Flag status since 2007 and is well landscaped. For those wishing to walk there are good tree lined pathways and spaced benches for sitting. The playsite with inclusive play equipment sits comfortably next to the refreshment kiosk so parents and carers can enjoy a drink whilst younger children play. The park is well used by local schools for various sporting activities as well as by sports clubs for football, cricket and hockey. Completing the sporting theme are the tennis courts adjacent to the playsite, multi-use games ball court, table tennis and outdoor gym. Regardless of the time of year this park caters for all.

Windmill Field
St Mary’s Lane, Upminster, RM14 2QL
A grassed area adjacent to St Mary’s Lane, the field is the home of the historic Upminster Windmill. An area worth visiting due to the involvement of the Upminster Windmill Preservation Trust and Friends of the Upminster Windmill’s renovation works.
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Biodiversity

Conserving biodiversity includes restoring and enhancing species populations and habitats, as well as protecting them. Conservation of biodiversity is vital to the successful use and development of parks and open spaces in Havering, after all biodiversity is one of the contributing factors that makes a place so special to visit as well as delivering other key ecosystem services such as flood management, pollination and the provision of clean air and water for example. Through the management of its parks and open spaces, the Council therefore has a key role to play in conserving biodiversity.

New wild flower meadows have been created providing additional species and structural diversity beneficial to a range of native fauna. ‘Butterfly Borders’ have been planted using a mix of colourful shrubs and herbaceous species attractive to butterflies, bees and other invertebrates. In some established trees bird and bat boxes have also been installed to help encourage local species to frequent the Parks. New entrance signage and interpretation boards provide information on the particular park’s ecology.

The principles from the Green Flag process are now being applied to most other parks across the Borough. In recognition of the importance of grassland habitats in Havering, existing areas of long grassland and also areas previously cut regularly on sites such as Haynes Park, Queens Theatre Green, Cranham Brickfields, Harrow Lodge Park, Rise Park, Raphael Park and Bretons are being managed as conservation areas. The principle being to allow the grassland to grow and set seed before cutting, with the arisings being removed to promote the growth of wildflowers.

Hay cutting regimes are also well established at Hornchurch Country Park, Havering Country Park, Bedfords Park and Dagnam Park which is having a beneficial effect on the native flora at these important sites. The increased areas of meadows in Havering will encourage insects including Bees, Caterpillars, Grasshoppers, Hoverflies and Ladybirds, which in turn will encourage birds including Blackbirds, Martins, Starlings, Swallows, Swifts and Thrushes.

Havering Map showing four different parts of the Borough
(North West, North East, South West and South East)