

Leybourne Lakes Country Park Year Three (2009) Action Plan - Review

In accordance with the Leybourne Lakes Country Park Management Plan 2007 to 2011 Management Objectives, this document reviews the various tasks that were planned to take place in 2009. Like all working documents it must be recognised that weather, seasonal changes and other factors can all have an impact on the programme. This document does not contain routine maintenance and regular tasks. These are detailed in Annual Action Plan (Appendix 9).

The Green Flag Criteria are:

- 1 A welcoming place
- 2 Healthy Safe and Secure
- 3 Clean and Well Maintained
- 4 Sustainable
- 5 Conservation and Heritage
- 6 Community involvement
- 7 Marketing

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5	A.1.2 / 3.1.1 / 4a.1.1 Monitor birds, flora & fauna, insects, bats, mammals (including water voles), amphibians and reptiles.	Organise external contractor to continue botanical and invertebrates surveys.	YES	Species list of over 700 invertebrate and botanical Park species. Report to be compiled in 2010.
1	1.4.2 Investigate options for a waterside facility for the water sports concession.	Carry out initial research and provisional costs to provide an overview at October User Panel to get feedback from Park visitors.	YES	User Panel were generally in favour of a purpose built water sports / refreshments / education building. Further investigation in 2010.
1	1.5.3 Investigate the provision of additional children's play facilities.	Arrange for the installation of the Children's play area and associated works in line with the Councils procurement policy.	YES	Installation of children's play area and wildlife play trail.
1 & 3	1.4.3 Investigate the provision for a picnic area.	Investigate possible locations for an additional picnic area, outside of play area.	YES	Two picnic benches to be installed near refreshments in early 2010.

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5	1.4.7 / 3.5.1 Survey fish stocks in the lakes.	Liaise with angling concession to ensure a survey of fish stocks is undertaken of one lake.	Due Spring 2010	Survey delayed due to outbreak of the Koi Herpes Virus in the South East in 2009.
3	3.4.2 Number fishing swims for easy identification.	Produce a numbered fishing swim map with swim names if appropriate, agreed with Mid Kent Fisheries.	In progress	To be completed in 2010.

Additional Task and Projects carried out in 2009 include:

- Over 30 events have taken place including scout events, sponsored walks, bat and bird walks, a wildlife activity day and triathlon races.
- Embankment improvements and reed planting.
- Mill Stream water flow improvements.