

Appendix 5

Outcomes of 2017 -18 objectives Mile End Park

1. 2017 introduces a “Stepping Up” theme with the aim of going the extra mile in terms of community participation, improvement of play facilities and the way we monitor the Park. In addition, in 2017 we aim to:
Bring the Rangers’ service to the 21st century with technology to help monitor the Park.
Introduce innovative ways of reporting and providing feedback by users, via use of QR codes.

The QR codes are located in all Mile End Park orientation signs, located cross the Park. The QR provides a link to information relating to the park and the service generally, with also information about the By Laws. The QR codes also provide an opportunity for residents and users to provide feedback.

2. Increase the education and curriculum based activities for children and the wider community, specifically related to arts, ecology, play and history.

There have been dedicated programmes and activities last year, and this includes:

Ecology:

- Ecology sessions for schools and families
- Dedicated forest school areas for local schools to deliver ecology based sessions. These have been supported by the rangers.
- Bird feeding activities
- Cooking sessions
- Window box making
- Harvesting vegetables / Vegetable / fruit growing.
- Bulb planting

Arts:

- Various arts and crafts activities
- Card board city

Play:

- All events, activities and programme have element of play and there have been an estimate of 18 activities and 6 large family events.
- Total attendance over all activities and events have been estimate 5,500. Please note this is for financial year 2017-18 (with a few months left or year to end).
- New play equipment's
- New scouts group taking place in the playground (rangers deliver horticultural sessions where required, bulb planting and arts and crafts etc)

History:

- Roman beds in the growing zone – delivered by rangers.

3. Develop financial sustainability, with new introduction of pay and display car parks and increasing the involvement of corporate volunteers.

Could not increase corp volunteers, due to delivery of children's activities and sessions. However we increased in taking large numbers in single days which provides more productivity in work.

- Increase the amount of accessible and inclusive play equipment.
- 4 Increase partnership work with Tower Hamlets Enforcement Officers and Safer Neighbourhood Team to address ASB related issues.
 - Currently attend the ASB Group Meetings.
 - Continuously liaise with the Street Population Team, Enforcement Officers and the DIP Team to address, ASB, rough sleeping and drug issues in park, particularly during the summer time. Sharing of knowledge with the SNT's with issues in the park.
 - 5 Amalgamation of Play and Ranger service to better utilise resources and skills to deliver a wider and cohesive range of community led activities and events.
 - The experience of play workers contribute to play offer by the service, with an increased variety of programmed play activities and events.
 - Sharing of resources, experience and skills amongst the two teams to focus more towards community engagement.
 - Have introduced a new tasking sheet is now to ensure a community engagement plan, monitoring and inspection are carried out throughout the park, in particular for delivering activities and events during the summer and school terms.
 - Additional ranger resources has allowed us to facilitate more 100+ corporate volunteers. We have had more 100+ corporate volunteers in one given day then previously due to the larger team.
 - Wider team allows us to concentrate on borough wide visit and monitoring.