

Summary of the results of the initial public consultation for the Pelier Park

Question	Summary of comments	LBS response	Total
Please take a look at the three designs for Pelier Park. Overall what do you think about the designs? -	OK designs		20
	Like designs		16
	Don't like designs		8
	No opinion / no answer		3

What do you think about the idea to improve the entrances and footpaths? Please comment	I like this / good / great / essential / positive / an improvement / excellent / need better entrances / definitely / welcome suggestion	Comments noted	40
	Fielding Street entrance - how it integrates into the street, with build-outs, raised planters in the street etc. used integrate the park, street and the allotments and used for traffic calming measures / crossing point	See below	5
	Improve railway arch entrance through Empress Street / extend park through Empress Street	Out of scope, operations team passed info onto Highways	5
	No to option 2	Comments noted	4
	Ok	Comments noted	3
	Difficult to understand the designs	LBS notified architect to make designs clearer for next consultation	2
	Cycle parking taking up road area / space to let cyclists through	Out of scope, operations team passed info onto Highways, entrances could be made more accessible for cyclists	2
	No answer		2

	Dog area	See below	1
	Is this going to increase by bills?	The project won't increase individual bills	1
	Entrances need to be much brighter and more open and welcoming	Design could include improved entrances	1
	Improve council properties that are right next to the new build	Out-of-scope of project, operations team has passed onto Housing	1
	Wheelchair friendly	Footpaths will adhere to Equality guidelines	1
	Don't move ball court	Comment noted	1
	Planting	Comment noted	1
	More lighting	Cannot add lighting due to revenue cost, effect on wildlife and nuisance to surrounding properties. Ecology report states that park has potential for roosting bats and recommends not adding new lighting	1

What do you think about the locations of the playground equipment? - please comment	Design 2 / Keep in current location	Comments noted	14
	Design 1	Comments noted	8
	Reuse current equipment	Comments noted	6
	No opinion / no answer		6
	Don't spoil green areas	Comments noted	5
	Design 3	Comments noted	4
	OK / fine	Comments noted	4
	Very well thought out layout / good / happy with all	Comments noted	4

Keep children close to the centre and social hub means this central area is family friendly rather than a drinking, drug spot for unsocial users / be a good to put the toddler play area in the picnic area so that families can picnic and keep an eye on little ones / keep equipment in one area	Comments noted	3
Option 3 isn't very good - it has them all quite cramped	Comments noted	2
Natural equipment	New equipment could be wooden where possible	2
It could be better as there is a grass hill could be flattened down to make the park bigger	Very expensive to remove soil off site, but mound/hill could be reduced	1
Could it be placed away from the block furthest away near the bridge	No plans to move playground near to bridge	1
Away from the picnic lawn	Comment noted	1
Insufficient information to comment		1
All the designs mean the play area is overlooked by housing which may create noise concerns	Existing playground overlooked by housing, no plans to move playground away from housing	1
Though design 3 looks nicer, will there be enough room for everyone to play?	Playground design will ensure there is enough room to play	1
The green space near 10 (private gardens) on design 3 is too small to be useful and feels wasted. I would either move the footpath closer to 10 so that the picnic grassy area is larger or move the path closer to the MUGA so that the green space near 10 is more useable (i.e. seating area to eat food etc. or potentially move the fitness zone here so the play area is larger - or perhaps include the active zone here near footpath 4)	Comment noted	1
Make the play area more spacious	Comment noted	1

	No table tennis provision in design 3	Table tennis could be included in updated design	1
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What do you think of the new table tennis? -	Yes I like it		25
	No opinion / no answer		14
	No I don't like it		8

What do you think of the new table tennis? - Tennis	No answer / no opinion		25
	Facilities are not used much, if it doesn't eat too much space, then it can work / concern about it not being used / is this needed? / Money may be better spent on other types of play equipment / no need / not a good investment / not convinced it will get used / Not appropriate / Better focus on game based children's equipment... eg hopscotch, chalk drawing area.. or a circuit that allows young children to ride a bike around the edge of the park / play equipment instead / More seating instead	Comments noted	11
	Good / welcome / great / like / excellent / very much needed	Comments noted	7
	Not good location	Comment noted	1
	Possibly a nice idea	Comment noted	1

Which playground equipment and materials would you like to see? - which playground	Swings / for younger ones / for all ages and abilities / bucket swings	Design could include this type of play equipment	16
	Climbing frames / balancing equipment / for older children / small climbing walls / like ones at Burgess Park / like ones at Brockwell Park / Vauxhall Pleasure Gardens / Myatt's Fields Park / Pullens Gardens	Design could include this type of play equipment	12
	No answer		11
	Natural materials	See above	9

Slides / longer / like at the new Elephant Park play facilities (Rodney Road)	Design could include this type of play equipment	7
Existing equipment seems fine / reuse	Comments noted	6
Astro turf football pitch / football pitch / football cage	Comments noted	4
Trampoline / for toddlers / ground level	Design could include this type of play equipment	4
Range of equipment for different ages / Equipment for older children	Design could include play equipment for range of ages	4
See Saws	Design could include this type of play equipment	2
As little as possible	Comments noted	2
Places for people to sit	Design could include places to sit	2
Definitely		1
Table tennis	See above	1
Located together	Comment noted	1
Fun space	Design will aim to create a fun space	1
Drinking water fountain	Design could include water fountain, but installation will be determined by cost	1
Dragon log in Burgess park for kids to climb /jump off	Comment noted	1
Baby corner	Comment noted	1
Nothing which has not been allowed for in the three	Comment noted	1
Don't mind	Comment noted	1
Tunnel	Design could include this type of play equipment	1
Sand pit	Sand requires a lot of maintenance	1
Wheel	Design could include this type of play equipment	1
Current generic equipment is uninteresting for children	Comment noted	1

	Water play	Water play would require lots of maintenance	1
	Interesting layout of the flora and fauna	Comment noted	1
	Ropes	Design could include this type of play equipment	1
	Bouncy castle	Not possible to have a permanent bouncy castle	1
	Not too imposing	Comment noted	1

Would you like a corner of the park to be left as a wildlife/nature conservation? - wildlife and	Yes		27
	No		8
	Don't know		8
	Not Answered		4

Would you like a corner of the park to be left as a wildlife/nature conservation? - Please comment	No answer		21
	Yes / very good / great / very / important / essential / Preserving the wildlife in the area / Important for biodiversity / combating climate change	Comments noted	11
	The park is very small, losing play space would be a	Comments noted	10
	Drought resistant planting / wildflower-meadow type / fruit trees / wildlife benefit planting / bug hotel / planting at the perimeters of the park	Planting scheme steered from LBS Ecology Officer and Ecology report recommendations	5
	Providing it will be properly maintained / mointored	Comments noted	2

Dog area	Experience has shown that dog exercise areas are not successful and can be unpleasant to visit, particularly in small parks. The open area will be retained and responsible dog owners are permitted in all areas of the park, except the children's playground	2
A wild area may also increase antisocial behaviour / Planting on top of the new development to aid conservation / Creates dark unused overgrown spaces for litter to collect	Comments noted	2
More trees for shades	Comments noted	1
Well lit	See above	1
Good for learning	Comment noted	1
Insufficient details provided		1
It allows residents to get close to nature, away from the hustle and bustle of city life	Comment noted	1
Space for meditation	Comment noted	

What do you think about planting different type of trees to create variety and	Yes, I like the idea		42
	Not Answered		3
	No, I don't like the idea		2

What do you think about	Not answered		23
	Yes / good / like the idea / The more trees the better	Comments noted	6

**planting
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interest? -
Please
comment**

Don't fell BS5837:2012 Category C, B or A trees / trees are essential / don't fell existing trees	Some of the Category C trees are poor quality, coming towards the end of their life span and are likely to be self-seeded, a wider variety of trees would benefit the park	6
Seasonal deciduous / fruit trees	Design could inc. seasonal deciduous trees. Fruit trees would require annual pruning which LBS do not have the resources to do	5
Native	New trees could include native	4
Trees planted should provide attractive flowers, fruit and autumn leaf colour / variety in height and colour / more of the interesting varieties i.e. Genko, Wing Nut, Chestnut etc.	Design could inc. variety of trees	4
Existing mature trees require significant attention / manage existing trees	Tree survey completed and ongoing maintenance	3
The park is small / enough existing trees / current trees create shade	Comments noted	2
More tree shade	Comments noted	2
Existing trees create bird's mess and leaf litter / The species should generate little mess (i.e. No crab apples!)	Comments noted	2
Well lit	See above	1
Concerned about cost	The council has managed to secure Section 106 funding to carry out the improvements. Section 106 is money from developers, who make a contribution towards improvement of the local area	1

	Concerned about dog not being allowed everywhere	Most LBS parks have Public Space Protection Order which requires dogs being kept on leads, responsible dog owners are permitted to use all areas of the park, except the children's playground	1
	Create a better environment for biodiversity	Design could increase biodiversity	1
	Tree species can be varied to suit activities, solar orientation etc.	Comment noted	1
	Names of trees	Comment noted	1
	Hedges	Design could include hedges	1

Do you think the existing ball court is well used and should be kept, or should it be removed permanently? -	Remove the ball court and have green space instead	Comments noted	21
	Keep the ball court	Comments noted	18
	No opinion / no answer		8

Do you think the existing ball court is well used and should be kept, or should it be removed permanently? -	Remove ball court / never used for its purpose / unsightly / There are enough ball courts around the area and their use is quite limited / this one is not well used / waste of space / nicer to have green space / have sons who play basketball that use other local courts / never seen it used / Park is too small / It had one basket hoop. And was never maintained / More peace and quiet	Comments noted	16
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Please comment	The kids use it a lot / kids play football and basketball all summer / reduces crime / safe / needs to be well maintained / Very important for social sports for older children and adults / teens have few places to go / needs to be more inviting / essential / make space multi-sport / popular with older children	Comments noted	13
	No answer		10
	Option 2 is dreadful / not safe with children retrieving ball from street / awful / Keep in current location if retained	Comments noted	4
	Reduce in size	Comments noted	3
	I'm not sure how much it gets used, decision should be made based on what else is near by and uptake encouraged / no opinion	Comments noted	2
	Dog area	See above	1
	Ask local groups	Comment noted	1
	Can you keep the ball court and also have green space?	Comment noted	1
	Design 1 & 2 good	Comment noted	1

If you think we should include a ball court, what is your preferred location? - Ball court	Design 1 Keep in same location / completely wrong to take away lawn area / not near Fielding Street /	Comments noted	19
	No answer		13
	Design 3 / No / we need more green space / it's an eyesore	Comments noted	6
	Design 2 / slightly further from housing so there will be less noise complaints / but retain slopes	Comments noted	5
	You decide / Don't mind	Comments noted	2
	Move to near Barry's garages or it can stay at the same location	Comment noted	1
	Feel it could go lower down near footpath 5	Comment noted	1

	Next to other sports equipment	Comment noted	1
	Outside park	If ball court is kept it will be located inside park	1
	South of the plot	See above	

Do you think that there is anything missing from the design options that you would like to see considered for the final design? - Please comment	Updated / more seating / Benches or chairs with arms / innovative seating / picnic tables / natural	Design could inc. more seating, variety of seating	11
	No answer		9
	Dog area / dog bins	See above	6
	Planting to the railway line boundary / Hedges and shrubs that would encourage wildlife - insects, birds, etc - would also form a visual barrier to camouflage the fence and work units in the railway arches / Existing landform to the Fielding Street edge of the park could be improved with planting to its rear	Design could inc. planting along boundary fence	5
	Lots more lighting / Sympathetic night lighting (not flood lighting)	See above	3
	No		3
	Fielding Street entrance - how it integrates into the street, with build-outs, raised planters in the street etc. used integrate the park, street and the allotments and used for traffic calming measures, possibly including a safe crossing point	Planters too difficult to maintain, but traffic measures could be considered	3
	Bins	Park currently has 4 bins	2
	Young babies/toddler area	Comments noted	2
	Trampoline	Design could include this type of play equipment	2
Better surface / astro turf for sports	If ball court was kept, surface could be improved	2	

Opening/locking	Council don't have staff revenue to open/lock park, low fences means that locking park is not a deterrent to keep people out	2
More trees for shaded areas / more mature trees	See above	2
Water fountain to play and drink	See above	2
Bigger play equipment area / Play equipment	Comments noted	2
Refurbished arches / Extension of the park into the disused railway arch on Empress Street. This would provide wet weather outdoor play area and extend the park as a green corridor, integrating it into the green spaces of the Gateway Estate and beyond to Farraday Gardens/Liverpool Grove and also Burgess Park	See above	2
Table tennis	See above	1
BBQ area	Southwark policy is for no BBQs in	1
Historical nod to the Montpellier Cricket Club	Comment noted	1
Football court	Comment noted	1
Design 3	Comment noted	1
More details during consultation	Comment noted	1
Swings for older children	Design could include this type of play equipment	1
A covered space for when raining	Comment noted	1
Bike/scooter circuit for young children	Comment noted	1
Sweeping landscape design rather than compartmentalised areas	Comment noted	1
Wider, gradual paths	Design could include wider paths	1
More wild areas	Design could include wild areas	1
Appropriate play equipment could be introduced into this Fielding St. area	Comment noted	1
Entrance into Empress Street	See above	1

	Climbing wall	Design could include this type of play equipment	1
	Wooden play structures	See above	1

Do you have any further comments about Pelier Park? - Any further comments?	No answer / No further comments		19
	It's a well used local park on a daily basis especially after school / For your information I am a daily user of Pelier Park with my 2 1/2 year old daughter. We visit the park every day all year round on the way home from her nursery, unless it is raining. I can confirm the park is well used by children aged 2 to 11 years every evening we are there / I feel quite strongly that this park is well used by nursery and primary school age children and their caregivers, and should remain a welcoming space for this population. It is a delight to see it being used / It is a very needed and used park, we need natural play elements based on wood and rope that cater for a range of different age groups 0-8 / My family and a few other families use the park on a daily basis, and the park is very well used, especially after school / I'm just relieved a new park is being considered. I was involved with the very first park, I have lived in pelier street since. 1980 when the park was originally a road. If I'm not mistaken it has only had the odd looking equipment installed since. My children always played in pelier park and so do my grandchildren.		
		Comments noted	6
	Lock gates at night / more security	See above	3
	Looking forward to enjoying the new park! / Any improvements will be appreciated as it is a well used	Comments noted	2

It's time to give the whole park a new life with new designs of greenery and bigger play area for the kids	Comment noted	1
It currently has too many hills	Comment noted	1
Gym equipment	Design could include gym equipment	1
<p>How have the Mayors recent comments on the relationship between public spaces - private and commonly owned - been taken into account</p> <p>Surprised that there has not been wider dissemination locally - is this at an early stage, and what is the process for consultation. How have ideas been gathered from local people and organisations? How will all age groups be connected and have the opportunity to enjoy the new space?</p> <p>This is a real opportunity to link and connect with other part spaces as part of a wider network in our neighbourhood, perhaps you can inspire children and young people locally by asking them to draw and photograph their neighbourhood, they will reveal the depth of everyday life and gives clues to creating a successful local park with a long term future</p>	Not aware of which Mayor's comment this is in reference to	1
It's a great loss not having full use of the park during development it will be good to have the park back	Comment noted	1
This is a much needed public space for the hugely congested local area, particularly for the kids on their way home from nearby John Ruskin Primary School and should not be considered a private space for the new	Park will remain public	1

I think the fitness stuff should be moved as far away as possible from the children play areas as there will be many adults using the equipment. Also, because of its location, Pelier park can become a magnet for alcoholics and drug addicts who litter Walworth road	If existing fitness/climbing equipment remains it's unlikely to be moved	1
Kids on the ball court, kids on the swings and dog walkers are the main users of the park now, so we support the improvement of the kids areas but please remember dog walkers use the park too and the dog exercise area is important	See above	1
Thank you	Comment noted	1
Prefer ball court to go, depending how near others are. Designs have much more space without it	Comment noted	1
I'm glad it's getting some attention! I only found it through walking past (cutting through to Pasley) as it isn't shown as green space on Google maps	Comment noted	1
As part of these works I would very much like to see a vast improvement to the green space to the South of Pelier Park. This space runs adjacent to Pelier street. The block work around the existing trees is decaying, some of the existing planters have no visible planting in them as previous items have been removed and not replace. The "grasses" area is predominantly made of weeds. This area is looking extremely tired, to the extent that local residents have taken it upon themselves to plant some new shrubs due to the lack of attention given to it	Out-of-scope of project, operations team has passed onto Housing	1
if you are going to eliminate our fresh air for a building, then at least let the building be 100% social housing so that some good comes from it	Out-of-scope of project, comment passed onto Housing team	1

<p>I very much like the slight hills with the slopes - my children love running up and down and have done for nearly 8 years. It creates interest in the landscape and it would be a more sterile outlook if the landscape was all one level</p>	<p>Comment noted</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Pelier Park is a lovely little park serving its surrounding neighbours. Parents, children, runners, dog walkers, the elderly - they all use the park on a regular basis. It needs some tender loving care from the council, especially now the block of flats is over shadowing it. Make it a park for everyone to enjoy - including wildlife. It should be a joy to look at and use, not stuffed full of random benches and play equipment - there needs to be an equal space for trees and flowers to grow. A wide space for grass too</p>	<p>Comment noted</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>The railway arch through to Empress street has been a bit of a black hole in the past; it would be wonderful to see it adopted as a comfortable and welcoming part of the park, and to be used as a thoroughfare by pedestrians. It is not a nice space now. I feel strongly that as little intervention to the existing mature trees is very important. Additional planting to attract a diverse range of wildlife, including birds and pollinators, would be a real delight. Updating and improving the access from Fielding st with more planting and a more welcoming and appealing entrance would be a great delight</p>	<p>See above</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>In summary, yes to relocating the Fielding Street entrance further towards the arches, yes to extending the park into the arch on Empress Street, yes to more play facilities, no to the wild/nature area and ball court.</p>	<p>See above</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Sculptures of colourful elephants</p>	<p>Comment noted</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>While it is not part of the park, there is an opportunity to include build outs from Pelier Park into Fielding Street, creating a proposed park new entrance, promoting traffic calming, creating a larger entrance zone to the park and a dedicated crossing point at the park entrance area. The potential to increase the greening up of this area of Fielding Street, using raised planters as traffic calming measures, would give the feeling that the park is coming out into the street, contribute to traffic calming street/park merging, and improve air quality. The parking spaces by the park are often underutilised and so there could easily be space for planters. As well as making every aspect of the park beautiful for local residents, this 'greening' would also contribute to the mayor's aim of making London the world's first national park city.</p>	<p>See above</p>	<p>1</p>