

# Alice in Winterland festival Southwark Park Ecological Statement

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The location of the event is in the northern end of Southwark Park (see Plan). The site is parkland and is dominated by amenity grass and mature Plane trees. The GLA habitat records lists the habitat within the site as: *Amenity grass* (60%, 15.17ha); *Bare artificial* (5%, 1.26ha); *Non-native wood* (25%, 6.32ha); *Non-native hedge* (1%, 0.25ha); *Scat trees* (7%, 1.77ha); *Shrubbery* (2%, 0.51ha) The habitat described has a low ecological value. There are records of 6 red or amber data species of bird and 3 species of bat recorded within 200m of the site.

The event occurs during the winter months so the impact on wildlife is considered to be low for the following reasons:

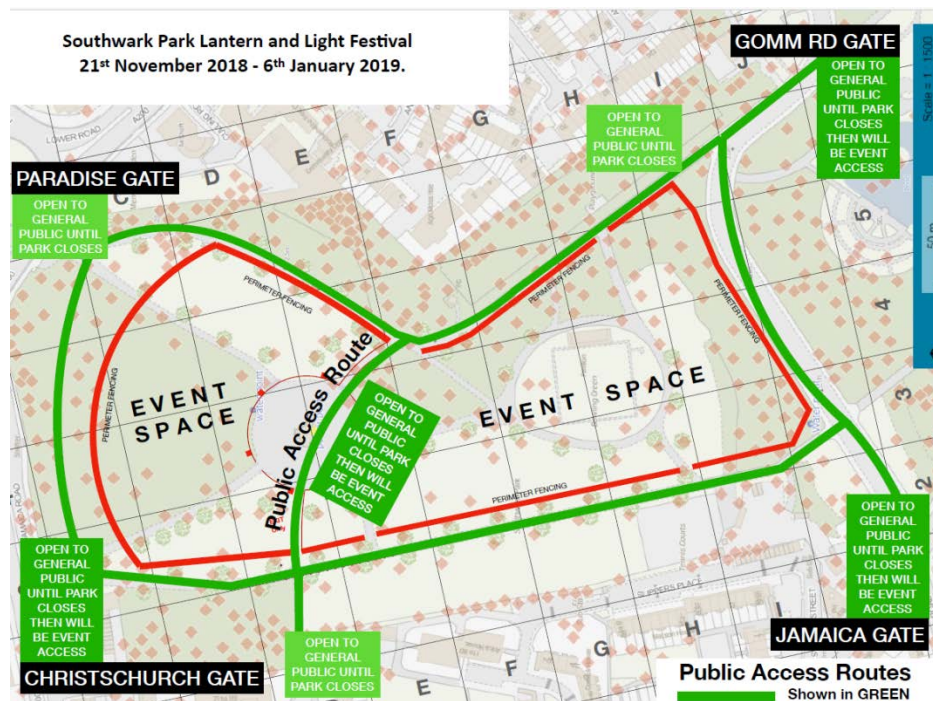
Birds:

The majority of birds have completed nesting in England by August and many species will have migrated to warmer climates by November. So there is a negligible risk of adverse impact on birds from this event.

Bats:

Bats begin hibernating at the end of October so there would be no impact on bats as they are not active during the events dates.

In conclusion there is a negligible risk to wildlife from this event. It is the view of the Ecology Office that no ecology surveys are required for the reasons set out above.



Plan of event site.