

Abingdon ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9053

Area of open space (Ha) per thousand population: 0.45 Ha per 1000 population

Abingdon ward has no open spaces of local park size. In terms of small local park size which is between 0.4ha and 2ha there are 3 open spaces. Two of these are the eastern verge of the West London line (approx 0.58ha) and by their nature, are private. The remaining one is Edwardes Square, a garden square situated off Kensington High Street (approx 1.27ha) which is classified as an historic garden.

There are no publicly accessible open spaces at all in the ward.

The remaining 6 open spaces are all of pocket size and have private access serving residential properties.

Earl's terrace (north and south), Pembroke Square, Iverna Gardens and Lexham Gardens are laid out as garden squares. In terms of outdoor sports facilities Pembroke square contains an all weather court.

In terms of children's play facilities there are private under 5 play facilities based in Lexham Gardens (0.2ha).

The ward is poorly provided for in terms of open space and facilities. There is no publicly accessible open space and no public facilities. Private recreational facilities and children's facilities are very sparse.

Brompton ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9313

Area of open space per thousand population: 1.06 Ha per 1000 population

Brompton ward has no open spaces of local park size. In terms of small local park size which is between 400 sq m and 2000 sq m there are 8 spaces. Of these 6 are in private residential use, 1 has limited public access and 1 has general public access. Of those that are in private use 5 of the 6 are laid out as garden squares.

In terms of the 2 open spaces that have limited or general public access the grounds of the Natural History Museum (approx 1ha) are laid out as

amenity green space with some utilised for outdoor exhibition use. The area is classified as an Area of Metropolitan Importance and has limited public access.

The grounds of Holy Trinity church are also classified as an Area of Metropolitan Importance (approx 0.61ha). It has a churchyard which has general public access.

With regard to pocket open space which is less than 400 sq m there are 16 open spaces of this size within the ward. Of these 12 are private, 2 have limited public access and 2 have general public access. With regard to those which have limited public access the grounds of The Oratory primary school which is located at Pond Place/ Ixworth Place has provision for over 5s. However, the space is limited to 80 sq m.

The other open space offering limited public access is the courtyard area of the Victoria and Albert museum. However, planning permission has been granted for the redevelopment of this space and it can probably be discounted in terms of open space provision.

In terms of pocket open space offering general public access the island space at Old Brompton Road adjacent to South Kensington station (approx 260 sq m) is hard surfaced and has toilet provision. It is owned by the local authority.

The other open space with general public access and is owned by the local authority is the Cromwell Gardens triangle (approx 450 sq m) known as the Yalta Memorial which is at the junction of Cromwell Gardens and Thurloe Place. This is laid out as a garden and has public art in the form of a war memorial on display. It is classified in the Council's Park Strategy as a secondary park without a playground. However, given its size this would be impractical.

In terms of provision for outdoor sport Brompton ward has no provision, either public or private and there are no facilities for under 5s and very little for older children.

Campden ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 8173

Area of open space per thousand population: 2.73 ha per 1000 population

Campden ward contains 3 open spaces of local park size which are all part of Kensington Palace Gardens. Kensington Palace Gardens (North) has an area of approximately 2.76 ha which is classified as an historic

park/ garden. However, it is in private residential use and is owned by the Crown.

Kensington Palace Gardens (East) which is to the west of Palace Avenue has an area of approximately 0.76ha. It is in private residential use and is owned by the Crown.

The area of Kensington Gardens between Bayswater Road and Kensington Road has general public access and is owned by the Crown. It has an area of approximately 11.87 ha and is classified as an Area of Metropolitan Open land as well as an historic park/garden. It contains public art.

With regard to access to open space at local park level there are 4 open spaces of this size within the ward, two of which are associated with Kensington Palace. Kensington Palace Gardens (East) which is to the east of Palace avenue has an area of approximately 0.76 ha and is classified as an historic park/garden. It has an Orangery, café and manicured lawns. A fee is charged and therefore there is limited public access. It is owned by the Crown.

A further portion of Kensington Palace Gardens (approx 0.81ha) is used as a through route to the museum. It is classified as an historic park/garden and has limited public access. It is owned by the Crown.

Holland Park School and West London Chamber of Commerce have outdoor sports facilities in the form of 3 all weather courts (0.75ha). These are in private non-residential use.

Campden Hill Square (approx 0.47ha) is laid out as a garden square which is private and for the use of local residents.

With regard to pocket open spaces which are less than 400 sq m there are a total of 15 spaces of which 11 are private, 1 has limited public access and 3 have general public access. Campden ward is poorly served in terms of the provision of outdoor sports facilities but fairs slightly better in terms of provision for children. There is one outdoor sports facility which is York House tennis court, but this is in private residential use.

Kensington Church Walk Gardens (approx 0.155 ha) has general public access and is owned by the local authority. It is laid out as a park/garden and has benches for sitting. It is classified in the draft Parks Strategy as a secondary park without a playground.

In terms of public play facilities the Princess of Wales Memorial Playground (approx 0.39 ha) situated on the west side of the Broad Walk

is has been refurbished and now offers comprehensive children's play facilities to under and over 5s.

There are also 3 pocket sized open spaces offering play facilities. These are the Fox primary school in Kensington Place (approx 0.14ha) which has a hard surfaced open space for children above 5 years, but it is in private use. It is owned by the local authority.

In a similar manner St Mary Abbots Church of England primary school offers provision for children in the form of a hard surfaced playground (approx 0.14ha). This is in private use for the school only.

With regard to specific under 5 facilities play facilities Tor Gardens (approx 150 sq m) is the only pocket open space which offers these. However, it is in private residential use.

Of the 3 pocket open spaces which have general public access, the corner of Kensington Church Street and Notting Hill Gate (approx 15 sq m) has seating and is owned by the local authority. It is a hard surfaced area which has public art.

The Kensington Town Hall grounds (approx 130 sq m), adjacent to the Town Hall and central library. It is hard surfaced with some benches and has some public art work. Outdoor sporting activities are restricted but it is utilised of an informal basis by skateboarders and children playing football.

Kensington Church Walk Gardens (approx 155 sq m) are laid out as amenity green space with seating. It is utilised by residents and workers and provides a popular area for lunch time breaks. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access.

Children's play facilities including provision for under 5 and outdoor sports facilities are poorly catered for in Campden ward.

Colville ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 7909

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.43 Ha per 1000 population

Colville ward contains no open spaces of Local Park size so the hierarchy commences at small local park size which is between 400sq m and 2000 sq m. Of the 3 open spaces that exist in this category one is a semi natural green space (approx 0.44 ha) which forms part of the rail embankment to the east of Ladbrooke Grove station and has been

categorised as a site of Grade 2 Nature Conservation importance in the Unitary Development Plan. The land has no public access.

With regard to the other two spaces these form part of Arundel Gardens and are laid out as private garden squares. They are both approximately 0.51 ha in area.

With regard to access to pocket open space Colville ward contains 14 open spaces which are below 400 sq m in area. Of these 8 of the 14 spaces have general public access which is a relatively high number compared with other wards. The remaining 6 spaces are private.

In terms of provision for children 8 of the 14 pocket sized spaces have facilities for children. Of these 4 have general public access and 4 are private. With regard to provision for the under 5s 7 pocket spaces provide this with 4 having general public access and 3 being private.

With regard to access to outdoor sports facilities there are 3 open spaces of pocket size which provide this although only 1 has general public access. The Clare and Convent Gardens estate in Blenheim Crescent (approx 0.11ha) has amenity green space and hard surfacing. It has an all weather court with children's facilities for the under 5s and older children. The facilities are private for use of the estate only.

Powis Square (approx 0.21ha) is laid out as a garden which contains an all weather court. It has facilities for under 5s and older children. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access.

Colville Square (approx 0.17ha) has general public access and contains a children's playground. It is owned by the Council and has been classified as a secondary park in the Park's Strategy.

Tavistock Road Park (approx 0.21ha) has an access from Tavistock Road/ All Saints road and is a publicly accessible pocket open space owned by the local authority. It is laid out as a park/garden and has play facilities for under 5s and older children. It does not have outdoor sports facilities.

Tavistock Road, Colville Square and Powis Square have all been classified as secondary parks in the draft Parks Strategy which have playgrounds.

The Portobello Court estate which has access from Portobello Road and Westbourne Grove has an area of open space (approx 400sq m) which is laid out as a garden with an all weather court and has facilities for under 5s and older children. However, it is private and for use of the estate only.

Westbourne Park Road playspace (No.286 Westbourne Park Road) is a small area of land owned by the Council (approx 105 sq m). It has children's play facilities for under 5s and older children but is in a poor state of repair.

Colville ward is not well catered for in terms of access to public outdoor sports facilities. The only access that is available is at pocket level where there is 1 space offering an all weather court in Powis Square. Of the 8 open spaces which offer public access all are owned by the local authority so there may be scope to improve the outdoor sports facilities in this ward.

Courtfield ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9578

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.60 Ha per 1000 population

Courtfield ward has no open space of local park size. In terms of small local park size there are 3 open spaces which are all in private residential use. The first is Courtfield Gardens (West) which is laid out as a garden square (approx 0.50ha).

Stanhope Gardens (approx 0.85 ha) is laid out as a garden square which is in private residential use.

Glenhow Gardens (approx 0.46ha) is laid out as a garden square which is in private residential use.

In terms of the provision of pocket open space of less than 400 sq m there are 13 open spaces in Courtfield ward of which 12 are private. The only one which has general public access is the hard surfaced space outside Gloucester Road underground station which is only 120 sq m in area.

In terms of access to outdoor sports facilities Courtfield ward has no facilities, either public or private. With regard to children's facilities there are under 5 play facilities located at the rear of St. Jude's Church, at the junction of Collingham Road and Courtfield Gardens and these include child care. However, the space is in private communal use and does not have general public access.

Courtfield ward has virtually no publicly accessible open space. The open space that does exist is in private use, predominantly in the form of private garden squares. Outdoor sports provision is nonexistent and there are no facilities for older children with only 1 under 5 private play facility.

Cremorne ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9290

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.63 Ha per 1000 population

Cremorne ward contains no spaces of local park size. At small local park level there are 4 spaces of which 2 have general public access and 2 are private.

In terms of general public access Westfield Park at Tetcott Road (approx 1.14ha) contains facilities for under 5s and older children. It is owned by the local authority. It is classified as a major park in the Park's Strategy.

Cremorne Gardens (approx 0.51ha) is laid out as a garden and has provision for children in the form of a paddling pool (under 5 play facilities) and toilets. It is within the Thames Policy Area and is an Area of Metropolitan Importance. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access. It has been classified as a major park in the Park's Strategy. This is based on a combination of size and range of facilities.

In terms of private larger spaces World's End estate grounds (approx 1.4ha) is laid out as amenity green space which contains an all weather court. It has under 5 play provision and facilities for older children/adults. It has a nursery and community centre. It is in private residential use.

The Moravian Close cemetery (approx 0.41ha) is a cemetery classified as of Grade 2 Nature Conservation Importance. It is private.

In relation to pocket open space Cremorne ward has 7 open spaces at this level of which 6 are private and 7 have general public access. With regard to those which have general public access all are owned by the local authority and are listed as follows:

The Asburnham community centre playspace in Tetcott Road is a hard surfaced area of approximately 0.11ha. It has facilities for children.

The Blantyre Street playing court at Blantyre Street, World's End (approx 0.07ha) has sports equipment and facilities for older children including an all weather court. It has general public access and shared ownership including the local authority.

Open space in Cheyne Walk, close to Battersea bridge (approx 0.06ha) is part of a designated Green Corridor, Area of Metropolitan Importance and the Thames Policy Area. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access.

Roper's Gardens (approx 0.15ha) sq m) is laid out as a garden. It is designated as an Area of Metropolitan Importance and is within the Thames Policy Area. It has general public access and owned by the local authority. It is classified as a secondary park without a playground in the Council's draft Park Strategy.

Chelsea Old Church (All Saints) embankment at the corner of Old Church Street and Chelsea Embankment (approx 0.02ha) has public art and is laid out as a garden. It is owned by the local authority. It is designated as an Area of Metropolitan Importance and is within the Thames Policy Area.

Chelsea Embankment Gardens (approx 0.27ha) is laid out as a garden. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access. It is designated as an Area of Metropolitan Importance and is within the Thames Policy Area.

Open space to the west of the Albert Bridge (approx 0.05ha) is laid out as amenity green space which is owned by the local authority. It is designated as an Area of Metropolitan Importance and is within the Thames Policy Area.

In terms of the provision of outdoor sports facilities Cremorne has 2 spaces at pocket level which offer these. Ashburnham Community centre in Burnaby Street has an all weather court (approx 0.20ha) but the centre was closed at the time of the visit. It is owned by the local authority.

The other open space is the Blantyre Street playing court (approx 0.07ha) at World's End where there is sports equipment and an all weather court which has general public access and is owned by the local authority. This offers facilities for older children.

In terms of under 5 play facilities there are 3 pocket sized open spaces which provide this but they are all in private use. The Riley Street estate (approx 0.19ha) provides facilities as does the Purcell House play space in Milmans Street (approx 0.05ha). The other pocket sized open space offering facilities is Paulton's Square (approx 0.35ha) which is in private residential use.

With regard to the overall provision Cremorne ward has open space with general public access at small local park level and a number of pocket sized open spaces which also offer public access. In terms of outdoor sports facilities it is less well catered for although public facilities are available. Apart from Cremorne Gardens there are no under 5 play

facilities available in the ward. On this basis it compares favourably with some other wards in the Borough.

Earl's Court ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9659

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.34 Ha per 1000 population

Earls Court ward has no open space of local park size. In terms of small local park size there are 3 open spaces. The first is railway land forming a semi-natural green corridor which runs alongside the West London railway line (approx 0.88ha). It has been classified as of Grade 1 Nature Conservation Importance. It has no public access.

Philbeach Gardens (approx 0.98ha) is laid out as a garden square. The land is restricted to private residential use only.

The third is Nevern Square (approx 0.46ha) is laid out as a garden square which has under 5 play facilities. It is private and the use is restricted to adjoining residents.

In terms of pocket open space there are 5 open spaces of 4000 sq m or less. However, 3 of these are private and only 1 has general public access. This is Cluny Mews open space at the junction of Cluny Mews and Warwick Road which is owned by the local authority. It has hard surfacing but no particular features of note. There may be limited scope to improve this space as it is only 190 sq m in area. It is classified as a secondary park without a playground in the Council's draft Park's Strategy.

In terms of access to outdoor sports facilities Earls Court ward contains no facilities, either with public access, or private. One pocket open space exists to cater for under 5s, but this is private and situated in Earl's Court Square (approx 0.26ha) which is laid out as a garden square.

Earls Court ward has virtually no publicly accessible open space and no publicly accessible outdoor sports or children's facilities. It has poor overall provision in all categories.

Golborne ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 8849

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.97 Ha per 1000 population

Golborne ward has one large open space of local park level which in terms of its area (approx 19.3ha) is just below the District park threshold. This is Kensal Green Cemetery.

Due to its nature it fulfils a function of passive public open space which has been assigned a limited public accessibility classification.

At small local park level there are 5 open spaces of this size. Grand Union canal (approx 2ha) comprises of a linear canal towpath which forms part of London's Green chain and is designated as a Green corridor. It offers amenity green space and has general public access. It is owned by the British Waterways Board.

The principal public open space for Golborne ward is Elmsley Horniman Pleasance park (approx 1.4ha) which has access from East Row/ Bosworth Road. It is laid out as a park and offers amenity greenspace. It contains outdoor sports facilities in the form of spectator seating, changing rooms, toilets, performance areas, public art and water features. It has 2 adventure playgrounds and flood lit all weather courts with facilities for under 5s and older children. It has general public access and is owned by the local authority.

Meanwhile Gardens (approx 0.83ha) with an access from Kensal Road also offers general public access. It has a skating bowl, nature education and pond. It has play facilities. It is owned by the local authority.

Athlone Gardens (approx 0.68ha) is the third public park in the ward. It has an access from Portobello Road and is laid out as a park/garden. It has general public access, a performance area and facilities for children. It is owned by the local authority.

The other open spaces of small local park size are the grounds of Holmfield House with access from Kensal Road. This offers amenity green space (approx 0.47ha). It contains facilities for under 5s and older children but is in private residential use. The Spanish school based in Portobello Road (approx 0.46ha) is in private educational use. It has outdoor sports facilities in the form of an all weather court and children's play facilities. It is also privately owned.

In terms of pocket open space, which is less than 0.4ha, Golborne contains the largest number of smaller spaces than any other ward in the Borough. Of the 32 that exist, 24 are of less than 0.15ha. In terms of access 15 of the open spaces of pocket size are classified as having private access, most of which serve the larger housing estates sited in

the north of the Borough. There are 7 pocket open spaces with limited public access and 10 open spaces with general public access which comprise 31% of the total.

There are 18 sites of pocket size in Golborne ward which offer provision for children. This is higher than any other ward in the Borough. Of these 11 also cater for under 5s and the remaining 7 offer facilities for older children. However, in terms of access 6 of these spaces are private, 7 have limited public access and only 3 have general public access.

In terms of access to the facilities for under 5s, only 1 has general public access, with 2 private facilities and 5 offering limited public access.

Outdoor sports facilities are also limited with 3 all weather courts provided at this level and 2 toilets.

In terms of provision within the Borough Golborne ward is characterised by a large number of pocket sized open spaces compared with other wards.

Hans Town ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9335

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.54 Ha per 1000 population

Hans Town ward has no open space of local park size. In terms of provision at small local park level there are only 2 spaces of local park size both of which are in private residential use. These are Cadogan Square (approx 0.73ha) which is laid out as a garden square and contains outdoor sports facilities in the form of an all weather court. It is in private communal residential use. The other is Lennox Gardens (approx 0.46ha) which is laid out as a garden square and is in private residential use.

In terms of pocket open space Hans Town contains a total of 12 spaces of which 10 are in private residential use and 2 have general public access. The two spaces that have general public access are Chelsea Green (approx 0.015ha). This is laid out as amenity green space which is owned by the local authority. It is classified as a secondary park without a playground in the Council's draft Park Strategy. The open space which has general public access is Pont Street island (approx 0.031ha) which is laid out as amenity green space and privately owned. Of the other pocket sized open spaces 3 of these are in the form of private garden squares.

There is one remaining pocket sized open space in Hans Town ward which is owned by the local authority but this is the Marlborough Primary school based on Sloane Avenue and therefore in educational use.

With regard to the provision of outdoor sports facilities there are none associated with pocket size open space and only those situated in Cadogan Square, which are private, are available in the ward.

In relation to facilities for children there are 4 pocket sized open spaces which offer these, but are all in private use. Of these 1 offers under 5 facilities but this is in private use.

With regard to provision of public open space in the ward owned by the Council only Chelsea Green offers this and there appears little scope for improvements elsewhere as the open land available is privately owned.

Holland ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9372

Area of open space per thousand population: 2.81 Ha per 1000 population

Holland ward contains the largest open space in the Borough which is Holland Park (approx 19.5 ha). It is classified as a local park but is not far below the threshold for a District Park. It contains a wide range of facilities including facilities for under 5s and older children, accessible toilets and café facilities. It acts as the principal area of public open space for the Borough.

With regard to open space at small local park level Holland ward has 3 open spaces of this size. The Holland Park tennis club (approx 0.90 ha) has all weather courts, changing rooms and toilets. However, it is reserved for members only and therefore has limited public access.

The Commonwealth Institute grounds (approx 0.6ha) has a mixture of amenity green space and hard surfacing. It also contains public art and water features. It is under private ownership and public access is limited.

Addison Gardens (approx 0.67ha) is laid out as a formal garden square which is private and utilised for local residents.

In terms of pocket open space there are only 7 open spaces which are less than 4000 sq m which all have private access with the exception of the Holland Road roundabout (approx 0.12ha) which is owned by the Council, but due to its position is assigned limited public access. It is laid out as amenity green space.

The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial school situated in Addison Road has an all weather court and hard surfacing (approx 0.16ha) but it is a privately owned school and there is no public access.

Woodford Square Gardens in Addison Road (approx 0.43ha) is in private residential use.

The Western Rail corridor adjacent to Sinclair Road in the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham contains semi natural woodland (approx 0.22ha) and is designated a Green Corridor and a Site of Grade 1 Nature Conservation Interest. The land is owned by Kensington Olympia and is private although part is used as a public car park.

The Russell Gardens play space (approx 0.05ha) is a small green space which has under 5 play facilities. It was constructed for the adjacent housing and is in private use. It is in a poor state of repair. There is also amenity land between Nos. 61 and 63 Russell Road and between Nos. 66 and 67 Russell Road (approx 0.04ha) which is also in a poor state of repair and has private access.

A new area of open space has been created at the corner of Russell Road and Kensington High Street (approx 0.11ha) which has been laid out as a garden. It is privately owned but is meant to have public access and was negotiated as part of a planning obligation. It is often locked.

Holland Park with its associated public facilities which cater for outdoor sport and children's play provides the principal focus within the ward. However, despite the presence of the park the western portion of the ward falls within an area of open space deficiency where there is no public access to outdoor sports or children's play facilities.

Norland ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 8778

Area of open space per thousand population: 1.24 Ha per 1000 population

Norland ward has no open spaces of local park level. In terms of open spaces of local park size there are 9 open spaces of which only 1 has general public access. This is Avondale Park (approx 1.04ha) which contains outdoor sports facilities in the form of 3 flood lit all weather pitches, a youth boxing club and under 5 play facilities and toilets. It is owned by the Council. This serves as the principal public open space for the ward.

With regard to the other spaces these are more numerous at this level than other wards but they are all private. They are laid out in the form of garden squares which serve the immediately surrounding residents and they are listed below.

Lansdowne Road/ Elgin Crescent has open space laid out as a garden square (approx 0.77ha), under 5 play facilities and is classified as Grade 2 nature conservation interest. It is private and restricted to local residents.

Lansdowne Rise Gardens (formerly Montpelior Gardens) has a size of approx 0.67ha and is laid out in the form of a garden square. It has under 5 play facilities. It is private and is restricted to local residents.

Clarendon Road/ Lansdowne Road Gardens (approx 0.42ha) is laid out in the form of a garden square. It has been designated as grade 2 nature conservation interest. It is private with its use restricted to local residents.

Lansdowne Walk/ Lansdowne Road/ St John's Gardens (formerly Hanover Terrace Gardens) (approx 0.82ha) is laid out as a garden square with under 5 play facilities. It is private land for the use of local residents and is classified as Grade 2 nature conservation interest.

Clarendon Road/ Lansdowne Road Gardens (Ladbroke Grove) has a size of approx 0.42 ha and is laid out as a garden square with under 5 play facilities. It is private and has been designated as a Grade 2 site of nature conservation importance.

Royal Crescent (size approx 0.8ha) is laid out as a garden square with private access restricted to local residents.

Norland Square (approx 0.66ha) is laid out as a garden square which has an all weather court. Its use is restricted to residents within the square.

In terms of the provision of pocket open space which is open space of less than 400 sq m there are 20 spaces of this size of which 6 have general public access, 12 are private, 1 has limited public access and 1 has de facto access. In terms of access to outdoor sporting facilities there is only 1 pocket open space offering an all weather court which is Henry Dickens Court with access from St Anns Road (approx 0.15ha). This is part of a private residential estate and the land in question is adjacent to the community centre buildings. It has facilities for under 5s and older children but there is no public access.

There are 7 pocket open spaces offering facilities for children, but of these 6 are private and only 1 offers limited public access which is the

Princes Place play space (approx 0.02ha) which offers facilities for under 5s. In terms of specific under 5 play provision there are a further 5 pocket sized areas offering facilities but they are all private.

In terms of the scope for improving the provision of outdoor sporting facilities of the 6 open spaces that offer pocket open space all 6 are owned by the local authority and therefore there should be ample opportunity for consolidating the present facilities.

Notting Barns ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9000

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.89 Ha per 1000 population

Notting Barns has no open spaces of local park size so the hierarchy begins at small local park level. Compared with some other wards in the Borough it has a greater number of open spaces of this size compared with the Borough average although this is largely accounted for by the open space provided under the Westway. The Westway Sports centre offers a variety of sporting facilities. The tennis facility (approx 0.7 ha) has all weather courts which offer spectator seating, changing rooms and accessible toilets and includes a gymnasium which is accessible to the physically impaired. The Westway outdoor courts (approx 0.64 ha) contains one large all weather pitch, 3 medium pitches and 3 small all weather pitches with associated facilities. These are flood lit. The Crowthorn Road area of the Westway sports centre (approx 0.65 ha) has spectator seating, changing rooms, accessible toilets and performance areas which are flood lit. All the Westway facilities have limited public access as a fee is charged for their use. They are not owned by the Council.

In terms of small local parks, the principal publicly accessible open space in the ward is the Maxilla Park walk (approx 0.4 ha) which is laid out as gardens with general public access. It is owned by the Council.

The Grenfell Tower amenity space (approx 0.43ha) is laid out as a garden with hard surfacing. The site has general public access. It appears to be referred to as the "Lancaster West" secondary park in the Council's draft Park Strategy although this is subject to clarification. It is referred to as a secondary park without a playground in the draft Park Strategy although the open space audit found play facilities for older children.

Finally the Testerton Road estate has 3 main areas of open space (approx 1.42 ha) and 2 pocket sized open spaces. Access to the land is private.

With regard to pocket size open spaces Notting Barns contains 27 spaces of this size although in terms of access only 3 have general public access, 7 having limited public access and 17 private access. On this basis general public access to informal open space for activities such as sitting or walking are limited within this ward. The smaller spaces of pocket open space size with general public access are Kingsdown Close amenity space (approx 0.02ha) off Lancaster Road, the Darfield Way amenity space (approx 0.11ha) which is adjacent to the Westway and the Markland House amenity space in Darfield Way (approx 0.156 ha) which is owned by a housing association.

In terms of limited public access to pocket open space within the ward there are outdoor tennis/playing courts at Freston Road (approx 0.35ha). A wildlife garden (approx 0.18ha) has been created west of the Crowthorne Road which is natural/semi-natural open space and is open at certain times. The Latimer education Centre in Freston Road also has some open space associated with it (0.12ha).

The largest open space with limited public access is the Maxilla Nursery site at Maxilla Walk (approx 0.29ha) which has under 5 play facilities and is owned by the Council.

The principal public open spaces are situated outside the ward, namely, Kensington Memorial Park to the north and Avondale Park to the south which both contain outdoor sports facilities and children's play facilities. There is scope for improvement within the ward, but it is comparatively better than some of the wards in the south of the Borough.

Pembridge ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 8116

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.64 Ha per 1000 population

Pembridge ward contains 1 open space of local park size which is Ladbroke Square (approx 2.8ha) which is a garden square of Borough Grade 2 nature conservation importance and classified as an historic garden. It contains play facilities for under 5s and older children. However, it is private and there is no public access.

With regard to small local park size which is 4000 sq m to 20,000 sq m Pembridge ward has 3 open spaces of this size.

Stanley Crescent (approx 0.69ha) is laid out as a garden square and has been classified as of Grade 2 nature conservation importance. It is private residential space utilised by local residents.

Stanley Gardens (South) has a size of approx 0.63ha. It is a garden square which has been classified as a site of Grade 2 nature conservation importance. It is private and utilised by local residents.

Pembridge Square (approx 0.51ha) is laid out as a garden square. It contains under 5 play facilities. It is private and utilised by local residents.

With regard to pocket open space which is open space of less than 4000 sq m there are only 4 spaces of this size. Of these, 2 have general public access and 2 are private. One open pocket space has facilities for under 5s which is Longlands Court, Denbeigh Terrace but these are private.

With regard to outdoor sports facilities at pocket space level Pembridge ward has no facilities, either public or private.

Two pocket sized spaces have general public access and are owned by the local authority. These are Pembridge villas amenity space (approx 0.005ha) which is at the corner of Pembridge Villas and Westbourne Grove. However, in view of its size there is little scope for the provision of facilities except perhaps for a seat.

The other space is at the junction of Notting Hill Gate and Pembridge Road (approx 0.025ha) which has hard surfacing and several bench seats. However, in view of its location and size there is little scope for further facilities to be provided.

In a Borough which has the least accessible open space of any in London, apart from the City of London, Pembridge ward compares badly with some of the other wards both in terms of accessibility to public open space and access to outdoor sports facilities of which there are none.

Queen's Gate ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9668

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.31 Ha per 1000 population

Queen's Gate ward has no open space of local park size. In terms of small local park size there is one open space which is Cornwall Gardens

(approx 0.69ha) which is laid out as a garden square and in private residential use.

In terms of pocket open space which is less than 4000 sq m, there are 9 spaces of which 8 are private and 1 has general public access. There is no provision for outdoor sports facilities and only 1 children's facility which is for under 5s. This is sited Queen's Gate Gardens (approx 0.78ha) which is laid out as a garden square in private communal use.

The one open space that exists which has general public access is on the corner of Palace Gate and Kensington Gate. This has hard surfacing and public art provision. However, the scope to improve this space, which is owned by the local authority is limited as it is approximately 120 sq m in area.

Queen's Gate ward is poorly catered for in terms of open space and has virtually no publicly accessible open space. Both outdoor sporting facilities and facilities for children/ youth are not catered for. The north of the ward is served by children's play facilities in Holland Park and Kensington Gardens and sports facilities in Holland Park.

Redcliffe ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 8625

Area of open space per thousand population: 2.40 Ha per 1000 population

Redcliffe ward has one open space of local park size which is Brompton cemetery (approx 15.2 ha). This is amenity green space but the nature of its use means that any open space activities are passive in nature although it acts as a haven for wildlife.

In terms of open space of small local park size Redcliffe ward possesses 6 spaces of this size but they are all in private residential use.

Olympia railway land (west of Brompton cemetery) which has an area of approx 0.50ha. It forms part of a Green Corridor and is of Grade 1 Nature Conservation Importance. It is semi natural land adjacent to the West London line and access is private.

Colherne Court Gardens (approx 0.43ha) is laid out as a garden square. It is in private residential use.

Braham Gardens (approx 0.62ha) is laid out as a garden square. It has under 5 play facilities and is in private residential use.

Bolton Gardens (approx 0.46ha) is laid out as a garden square which is in private residential use.

Bousfield Primary school (approx 0.47ha) is laid out as amenity green space. It has hard surfacing, water features and performance areas. It is owned by the local authority but in private use for the school.

The Boltons (two gardens either side of St Mary Boltons Church) has an area of approx 0.67ha. It is laid out as a garden square and has under 5 play facilities. It is classified as an historic garden and is in private residential use.

In terms of pocket open space there are 9 open spaces in the Redcliffe ward of which 4 are private, 2 have limited public access and 3 have general public access.

With regard to limited public access the Ifield Road Youth club based in Ifield Road has an all weather court (approx 76 sq m) which offers facilities to older children. It is owned by the local authority. It is classified as a secondary park in the Council's Park Strategy.

The other area of open space is St Luke's Church grounds between Redcliffe Square and Redcliffe Gardens which is largely utilised for car parking (approx 0.2ha). It is in private ownership.

In terms public access, St Mary's Church, The Boltons has an amenity green space area (approx 0.05ha) which is classified as an historic garden and is part of the churchyard.

The principal area of open space for general public access is Redcliffe Square (approx 0.32ha) which is owned by the Council and laid out as a garden square. It has provision for under 5s but not for older children. Its central position in the ward means that it serves a wide catchment area and prevents the central portion of Redcliffe ward falling into an area of open space deficiency. It is classified as a secondary park with playground in the Council's Park Strategy.

Royal Hospital ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 7662

Area of open space per thousand population: 2.97 Ha per 1000 population

Royal Hospital ward has 4 larger open spaces of local park size, two associated with the Royal Hospital. The Royal Hospital grounds (South)(approx 3.5ha) which has general public access. It is laid out

partly as a formal garden but it also contains a pitch and playing field. It is classified as a secondary park without a playground in the Council's Park Strategy.

Another portion of the Royal Hospital grounds (approx 2.68ha) is laid out as a garden which is classified as an historic garden, an Area of Metropolitan Importance and is within the Thames Policy Area. It is owned by the Crown and in private residential use.

Burton's Court (Royal Hospital Road) is laid out as green amenity space which contains spectator seating, changing rooms and toilets. It contains 3 all weather courts. It is within the Thames Policy Area and is classified as of Metropolitan Importance.

The Duke of York's headquarters between King's Road and Turk's Road where there is an open space of approximately 1.6ha which contains a running track and school play space. It is private but is utilised for amenity space for some schools in the local area.

In terms of open space of small local park level there are 4 spaces of this size. Cheyne Walk Gardens (approx 0.46ha) is laid out as a garden. It is owned by the Council and has general public access. It is within the Thames Policy Area and is classified as an Area of Metropolitan Importance.

Chelsea Physic Garden (approx 1.1ha) is an historic garden which is within the Thames Policy area and is an area of Metropolitan Importance. It is classified as Grade 1 Nature Conservation Interest. It is private and has limited public access.

The Royal Hospital Cemetery (approx 0.45ha) is within the Thames Policy Area. It is classified as an historic park and is within an Area of Metropolitan Importance. It is in private use.

With regard to pocket open space there are 17 spaces, 11 are private and 6 have general public access. The open spaces with general public access consist of an open space at the Duke of York's site (approx 0.27ha) which is hard surfaced with access from King's Road. It is owned by Cadogan estates.

Royal Avenue (approx 0.35ha) has the space nearest to the King's Road hard surfaced and the remainder gravel covered. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access. It is classified as a secondary park without a playground in the Council's draft Park Strategy.

Cheyne Gardens space (approx 0.026ha) which is laid out as amenity green space. It is owned by the local authority.

There is an open space on the east side of the Albert Bridge (approx 0.043ha) which is laid out as amenity green space and designated as part of the Thames Policy Area, an Area of Metropolitan Importance and a Green corridor. It is owned by the local authority.

Chelsea Bridge Gardens (approx 0.17ha) is designated as a Green corridor, an Area of Metropolitan Importance and is within the Thames Policy Area.

The other pocket space which has general public access is Sloane Square (approx 0.133 ha) which is hard surfaced and contains some seating. It is owned by Cadogan Estates.

In terms of the provision of outdoor sports facilities there are none at pocket level with the grounds of Royal Hospital providing the only facilities in the ward. However, there are 3 pocket open spaces which offer facilities for children . These are the Alpha Place youth club which has some hard surfaced space (approx 310 sq m) but is private unless a club member.

The Christ Church primary school in Robinson Street has 3 separate areas of hard surfacing (approx 0.128ha). However, it is private educational use.

The remaining space is also private which is the Embankment Gardens play space , west of Royal Hospital (approx 0.024ha) which has facilities for under 5s. However, it is privately owned and in private residential use.

In terms of the ward as a whole Royal Hospital ward fares better than some of the other wards in the south of the Borough. There is general public access to open space at local park level, small local park level and for pocket open space. Outdoor sports facilities are limited to those at the Royal Hospital but these have general public access and in this respect provision is better than most other wards.

St Charles ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 9010

Area of open space per thousand population: 3.09 Ha per 1000 population

St Charles ward has one open space of Local Park level. This is the Kensington Memorial park (approx 2.66ha) which has an entrance in St. Marks Road. It is owned by the local authority and has general public access. In terms of facilities it is relatively well provided for with 2 playing

fields, 3 all weather courts, a paddling pool and dog exercise area. It has facilities for under and over 5s and serves as the principal public park for the north of the Borough.

In terms of spaces at small local park level in the London Plan hierarchy (0.4 ha to 2ha) there are 4 open spaces of this size. However, none of them are publicly accessible. The first is owned by the local authority and is the grounds of Barlby Primary school with access from Barlby Road (approx 0.42 ha). This contains provision for children in the form of an all weather court. There is no agreement to utilise this space for out of school use.

The second space is larger and forms the grounds of Sion Manning and St. Charles Roman Catholic schools (approx 1.19 ha). It also has outdoor sports facilities in the form of all weather courts, but the grounds are privately owned and there is no public access.

The third is the Carmelite monastery grounds (approx 1.32ha) which are laid out as a garden which is classified as Grade 2 nature conservation interest. However, the grounds are privately owned and there is no public access.

The fourth private space of this size is Treverton Street Estate private amenity space (approx 0.4ha) which has outdoor sports facilities and children's facilities for under and over fives. It is owned by the local authority.

In terms of pocket sized open space which is less than 0.4ha in area there are 14 open spaces of this size of which 11 are less than 0.15ha. However, in terms of access 10 of these spaces are classified as private, most of which serve the larger housing estates which are sited in the north of the Borough 4 have limited public access and only one has general public access. On this basis, apart from Kensington Memorial Park there is only public access to one pocket space in the ward and the facilities that exist are for private use only.

There are 11 sites of less than 0.4ha which offer provision for children of which 8 have under 5 provision. There are 5 pocket sized sites offering outdoor sports facilities with one sports pitch and 8 all weather courts . There is one site offering changing facilities and one flood lit surface. In terms of access 3 of the outdoor sports facilities have private access and 2 have limited access. With regard for provision for children there are 11 sites of pocket size which cater for this, but of these 8 are private, 2 have limited public access and only 1 has general public access. In terms of specific under 5 play provision of the 8 sites that offer facilities, 6 are private, 1 has limited public access and only 1 has general public access.

In terms of provision within the Borough St Charles is characterised by a larger number of pocket sized open spaces compared with some other wards. However, of the 15 that are listed 10 are private and only 1 has

general public access which is Sunbeam Gardens (approx 0.39 ha) with access from Shrewsbury Street. This offers children's play areas but no outdoor sports facilities. It is owned by the Council and has been classified as a secondary park in the draft Parks Strategy. In terms of access to an outdoor sports facility on publicly accessible land only Kensington Memorial Park offers such facilities.

Stanley ward open space profile

Population (2001 census): 7529

Area of open space per thousand population: 0.68 ha per 1000 population

Stanley ward has no open spaces of local park size. It has 6 open spaces of local park size 3 are in private use and 3 have general public access. Of the 3 that have general public access 2 are in close proximity for St Luke's Church. These are land to the north of the church (approx 0.64ha) which is classified as an historic garden which contains outdoor sports facilities in the form of a sports pitch. This has general public access and is owned by the local authority. There is provision for under 5 playing facilities and for older children. It is classified as a major park in the Council's Park Strategy.

St Luke's Church (South) is land to the south of the church which is a churchyard (approx 0.55ha). It is classified as an historic garden and has general public access.

The other small local park space which has general public access is Dovehouse Green (approx 0.5ha) which is laid out as a small park and owned by the Council. It is classified as a secondary park without playgrounds in the Council's draft Park Strategy.

In terms of pocket open space, Stanley ward has 9 spaces of which 7 are private and 2 have public access. Of the 2 spaces which offer public access one is owned by the local authority. This is South Parade gardens (approx 0.078ha) which is laid out as amenity green space. The other space is further land at St Luke's Church (approx 0.32ha) which is part of the churchyard.

In terms of the provision of outdoor sports facilities there are none provided at pocket open space level so those provided at St Luke's Church are especially important.

There is only 1 pocket open space which offers provision for children and this specifically caters for under 5s. This is land to the east of Chelsea Park Gardens. However, this is in private residential use.

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