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## THE DOWNS COMMITTEE

#### Clifton and Durdham Downs (Bristol) Act 1861

Reply to Amy Rodwell

To: Members of the Downs Committee

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Date Monday, 17 April 2023

#### The Lord Mayor and 6 City Councillors

The Rt. Hon. The Lord Mayor Councillor Paula O'Rourke Councillor Steve Smith Councillor Jos Clark

Councillor Katy Grant Councillor Philippa Hulme

Councillor Christine Councillor Kye Dudd

Townsend

#### The Master and 6 Merchant Venturers

Patrick Despard Master of the Society of Merchant Venturers

Jonathon Baker David Freed
Mike Bothamley Mark Burchfield
Bevis Watts Robert Bourns

Dear Member,

You are invited to attend a meeting of the **Downs Committee** to be held at **2.00 pm** on Tuesday, 25th April, 2023 at City Hall, College Green, Bristol, BS1 5TR.

The agenda for the meeting is set out overleaf and the supporting documents are attached.

Yours sincerely,

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Amy Rodwell

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#### Agenda

- 1. Welcome, Introductions and Safety Information
- 2. Apologies for absence
- 3. Declarations of interest

To note and Declarations of Interest raised by Councillors.

- 4. Chair's Business
- 5. Minutes of last meeting (Pages 4 9)
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- 7. Matters Arising From the Events and Finance Group (Pages 11 13)
- 8. Public Forum

Up to 30 Minutes is permitted for this item.

To consider items of Public Forum sent to the Downs Committee. Interested parties can submit:

- A written statement of approximately one side A4 no later than 12pm on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April.
- A maximum of 2 written questions (which will be answered verbally at the meeting) must be received 3 clear working days prior to the meeting. For this meeting, it means that your question(s) must be received no later than 5pm on Wednesday19th April.
- You will have the opportunity to ask one supplementary question arising directly out of each of the original questions or replies.

Please send submissions to Democratic Services at democratic.services@bristol.gov.uk.

Please note that your statements and questions will be sent to Committee Members and published on Council's website prior to meeting.

- 9. Downs Advisory Panel Update
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- **16.** Any Other Business
- 17. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023, 11am at Merchants' Hall.

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Agenda Item 5

# **Bristol City Council Minutes of the Downs Committee**

28 February 2023 at 2.00 pm



#### **Members Present:-**

**Councillors:** Paula O'Rourke (Chair), Steve Smith, Jos Clark, Katy Grant, Christine Townsend, Kye Dudd, Patrick Despard (Vice-Chair), Jonathon Baker, Mike Bothamley, Mark Burchfield, Bevis Watts and Bourns

#### 1 Welcome, Introductions and Safety Information

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### 2 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Philippa Hulme and David Freed.

#### 3 Declarations of interest

There was none.

#### 4 Minutes of last meeting

Resolved; That the minutes of the previous meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022 be approved as a correct record.

#### 5 Action Tracker

The Chair ran through actions from the previous meeting and updates were provided.



There was a discussion around the introduction of pay and display parking at the North Car Park and it was suggested that the relevant officers attend an upcoming meeting to brief the Committee on the Council's view. ACTION: Transport and Parks Officers to attend a future meeting to brief the Committee on Pay and Display parking.

#### 6 Matters Arising From the Events and Finance Group

Patrick Despard gave a brief update on the last sub-group meeting highlighting the pressure on the Committee's finances. It was noted that there was a pressure on the Parks service citywide which would have an impact on the Downs Committee.

#### 7 Public Forum

The following Public Forum Statements were received and noted by the Committee:

1. Susan Carter (In person)

#### 8 Report of the Friends of the Downs and Avon Gorge

The Chair noted that as part of the recent governance review, the Downs Committee were looking for an 'ally' organisation to support their work. It had been proposed that the existing organisation, Friends of the Downs and Avon Gorge (FODAG), undertake the role as they already work closely with the Committee on preserving and maintaining the Downs.

Michael Bothamley had led on this piece of work alongside FODAG to produce a Memorandum of Understanding which established the aims of the partnership. They would like to have strategic and operational plans and will look to review the existing management plan that was produced in 2006, updated in 2012.

The Chair advised that FODAG were not comfortable with the fundraising and grants element of the partnership at present, but the Committee would like this to be a possibility for the future and will build on their relationship with FODAG.

It was noted that the Memorandum of Understanding would be a working document.

Upon being put to the vote, it was

RESOLVED; That the Committee adopt the Downs Committee (DC) and Friends of the Downs and Avon Gorge (FODAG) Memorandum of Understanding (which was unanimous).



#### 9 Protocols

The Chair asked the Legal Services Officer to introduce the report. Key points were as follows.

It was noted that the Downs Act contained stipulations to the Committee but there were also lots of areas of uncertainty. Therefore, it would be beneficial to the Committee to have greater clarity around Governance Arrangements.

The legal team had been working with the Chair on producing the Downs Protocols document which was almost complete. It was noted that there were other documents in the pipeline also, such as finance and budget process protocols, operations protocols, and service level agreements but these were not available yet.

There was one query to raise with the Committee specifically around emergency decision making. It was suggested that where an emergency decision be required outside of Committee meetings, the Chair (Lord Mayor) takes the decision in consultation with the Vice Chair (Master of Society of Merchant Ventures) on behalf of the Committee.

Upon being put to the vote, it was

RESOLVED; That the Committee adopt the Downs Committee Rules of Procedure (which was unanimous).

#### 10 Downs Management Report

The Parks Supervisor briefly introduced the Downs Management Report and key points were as follows:

- Trees had been planted for Queens Jubilee.
- Clear up sessions had been taking place on Saturdays.
- The team had been monitoring one of the goats who had recently been unwell, but it had now received the appropriate treatment.
- There were five bank holidays approaching which could result in busy weekends for the clean-up team.
- There would be unicorn trails over the summer holiday period, similar to the previous Gromit trail.

#### 11 Clifton Down Wildflower Meadow

Councillor Katy Grant provided a brief update on the Clifton Down wildflower meadow and it was noted that lots of work had taken place since the Committee approved the project in October 2022. There had

been support from Community groups and volunteers, and school children had been involved in spreading seed for the meadow.

It had been suggested that a sign is created to inform people on what is going on with the meadow and colleagues wanted to seek permission from the Committee to proceed with this proposal. It was suggested that the sign is educational with wildlife information, and it could also display information from Bristol West Climate Action, perhaps with a link to their website.

The Committee discussed the proposal and agreed that a temporary sign would be useful to inform people of the meadow, but a more permanent interpretation board would need to be discussed further. Members noted the importance of consistency with the other interpretation boards in the area and suggested that it could include link to the Downs Committee, perhaps with a QR code to the Downs Committee website.

The Chair thanked Councillor Grant for her work on the project.

#### 12 Downs Education Report

The Chair introduced Anna Stevens, the new Avon Gorge & Downs Wildlife Project Manager to the Committee. The Learning & Engagement Officer for the project and the Council's Nature Conservation Officer presented the report and briefly highlighted key points. Discussion points were as follows:

- Avon Gorge conservation works had been carried out over the winter removing native plants from the gorge. Some trees had to be removed due to ash dieback disease.
- The University botanical gardens had planted a rare species which is found naturally in the Gorge.
- There was an ambition to expand the education programme to bring in different age ranges.
- Councillor Townsend asked about the Education and Engagement Strategy and was advised that this would be updated in due course.
- Members would like to see engagement with disadvantaged children and children in care included in the strategy and CT suggested that AS meets with education colleagues at the Council.

ACTION: CT and AS to discuss engagement with disadvantaged children for the Education and Engagement Strategy.

#### 13 Events Report

It was noted that the Events Officer has given apologies for this meeting, so the Site Permissions Officer gave a brief events update.

• It was noted that Forwards Festival had adjusted the event dates from Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

- There would be a total of three unicorns on the Downs for the unicorn trail.
- The team were working to bring more events to the Downs, but nothing had coming through at present.

#### 14 Finance Report

The Finance Officer introduced the report and highlighted that there was a budget pressure of £103k which was a concern. Maintenance costs remined high which needed to be reviewed and income could be lower due to the reduced number of events in 2023.

Members raised concerns around the impact of cuts to services in the parks department which could happen as a result of reviewing the maintenance costs.

Members were unclear on the budget expectations for the Committee and how much of the costs would be covered by the Council's Parks department. They Chair suggested that this be discussed with the new Chief Executive to get a better understanding of the expectations.

ACTION: POR to meet with the Chief Executive and Cabinet Member for Finance, Governance & Performance to discuss budget expectations for the Downs Committee and bring an update to the next meeting.

#### 15 Task and Finish Group - Buildings, Assets and Infrastructure

The Chair provided a brief update on the Buildings, Assets, and Infrastructure Task & Finish group.

The group were looking at the condition of changing rooms on the Downs and David Freed was leading on this piece of work to try and understand the options for the building as without this, it would be difficult to look for funding. It was suggested that there be an architect's competition or that the Committee seek advice from developers on potential options. The group aims to report back to the Committee meeting in June with some proposals.

#### 16 Verbal Updates - Secretary of State's ruling re Café and Downs Manager Post

The Chair asked the Legal services Officer to provide an update on the Sea Walls Café.

Colleagues had met with the Government Department for Homes and Communities to discuss options but were advised that due to the restrictions of the Downs Act, the local authority would have to ask for a Localism Act to delegate from the Downs Act in order to proceed. The Committee would have to seek

permission from Parliament, and it would have to be debated in both the House of Commons and House of Lords which would cost a huge amount of time and money.

The Chair noted that this was an ongoing issue and would like this to be fed into the Committee's work plan for next year.

#### 17 Any Other Business

There was none.

#### 18 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2pm.

Meeting end	led at	3:40	pm
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CHAIR \_\_\_\_\_

# Agenda Item 6

#### **ACTION TRACKER – FOR DOWNS COMMITTEE 25 April 2023**

Date of Meeting	Action Description	Holding Action	Deadline for Completion	Action Taken
28 Jun 2022	Investigate the issue around a resident installing a private driveway that is thought to be on Downs Committee owned land and provide an update at the next Committee meeting.	SS	28 Feb 2023	This issue is currently with the Parks Team and Legal Services. Verbal update to be provided at the Committee meeting on 25th April.
28 Feb 2023	Transport and Parks Officers to attend a future meeting to brief the Committee on Pay and Display parking.	POR	25 April 2023	Update to be provided at the next Committee meeting on 25 <sup>th</sup> April.
28 Feb 2023	Discuss engagement with disadvantaged children for the Education and Engagement Strategy.	CT/AS	25 April 2023	Update to be provided at the next Committee meeting on 25 <sup>th</sup> April.
28 Feb 2023	Meet with the Chief Executive and Cabinet Member for Finance, Governance & Performance to discuss budget expectations for the Downs Committee and bring an update to the next meeting.	POR	25 April 2023	Update to be provided at the next Committee meeting on 25 <sup>th</sup> April.

# Downs Committee Events & Finance Sub-Group Meeting Minutes 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023

#### Members:

Patrick Despard (Chair)
Jonathon Baker
Mike Bothamley
Councillor Steve Smith
Councillor Kye Dudd
Councillor Katy Grant

#### Officers:

Jo Byron (Events Officer)
Kevin Jay (Finance Officer)
Ben Skuse
Amy Rodwell (Democratic Services Officer)

#### **Apologies:**

David Freed
Councillor Jos Clark

#### 1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting on 7 December 2022

The Chair ran through the actions from the previous meeting and asked MB to provide and update on parking. MB noted that the Parking Task & Finish Group had met to discuss various issues and key discussion points were as follows:

- The Committee were hoping to assist in the council's decision making process to accelerate parking initiatives on the Downs.
- Committee members discussed the introduction of pay and display on street parking on the Downs for a maximum of 2 hours with first 30 minutes free. Also, to create conditions on the North Car Park as a long stay car park for benefit of Downs.
- They had been in touch with large national pay and display providers and have a particular operator who could offer funding for the car park and pay 90% gross revenue, with a right to retain penalties.
- KD suggested that the Service Director might be able to speak to the Committee about the Traffic Regulation Order process as this could take 12 to 18 months to get started.
- It was noted that the roads were under the control of the Highways Authority so on street parking would be a matter for them however the North Car Park was not.
- Members raised cautions around the need for competitive procurement.
- The provider in question would not enter into a contract with a local authority but as Society
  of Merchant Ventures is a landowner, they could potentially enter into a contract on behalf
  of the Downs Committee providing there was a way to ensure any income could be passed
  on to the Downs Committee tax free.

- MB advised that they need to take come internal accountancy advice to explore this
  possibility. ACTION MB.
- KD suggested that the Committee also consider the Council's own parking department for this initiative and would raise this with the Service Director. **KD ACTION**. Also, share detail on the potential provider's offer with the Service Director. **MB ACTION**.

Resolved; The minutes of the previous meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022 be approved as a correct record.

#### 2. Finance Update

Kevin Jay briefly introduced the item noting that the report shows spend up to the middle of January 2023. Discussion points were as follows:

- KJ highlighted that there had been a slight surplus of £3k since the last meeting which meant the current forecasted overspend has now changed from £106k reducing to £103k.
- The deficit was mainly due to increased employee costs and increased premises costs for cleaning and energy.
- There was a suggestion around reviewing the funding for the Education Manager post to reduce costs which was currently part funded by the Downs Committee and Bristol Zoological Society, but Members agreed that the role was critical in delivering an excellent wildlife education programme for Bristol schools.
- There was a discussion around budget cuts in the Parks service which would have an effect of the Committee. Members wanted a better understanding of the expectation from the Parks service on the contribution that the Committee needed to make to the savings. PD noted that he would raise this with the Lord Mayor. **PD ACTION.**
- It was noted that the biggest expenditure to the Committee was for employees and cleaning costs and PD suggested that this be reviewed. KJ advised that he would be able to provide a redacted list of posts and costs for review. KJ ACTION.
- Parks colleagues had not yet reviewed employee and cleaning costs, but this was up for discussion. BS/KJ to raise with the Head of Service for Parks and ask colleagues to bring an update to the next meeting. **BS/KJ ACTION.**

#### 3. Events Update

Jo Bryon introduced the item and noted that Stefan Edwards was unable to attend the meeting to present the events report. Jo briefly introduced the report and highlighted the following points:

- Most outstanding debt had been cleared but the team were still waiting on a final payment from one event.
- Foodies Festival would not be returning to the Downs in 2023.
- Adventure Cinema would not be returning to the Downs in 2023 as they were planning to use the Queen Square site instead.
- The team were working with site permissions to bring more events to the Downs, but nothing has coming through at present.
- Conversations had been progressing with the organisers of Pub in the Park, but they would not be launching the event until 2024.

- There was a possible new event called Magic of Thailand who proposed a lower fee as they were a community event which was yet to be agreed.
- Circus Extreme to host their event on the Downs and the fee of was still to be agreed by the Committee.

There was a discussion around the Circus on the Downs as the current provider had initially indicated they were unable to return in 2023. The council had begun looking at other circus options and another event organiser had expressed an interest. Since then, the previous provider has also expressed an interest in returning. There was a suggestion of having both events on the Downs, but the Parks Supervisor advised that both event organisers were looking at similar dates which would not be feasible and there could be a saturation point in the market. Also, even though the calendar seemed empty for August, the land would be in used by Forwards Festival in the second half of the month in preparation for their event so was not available to hold an event like this.

It was noted that Forwards Festival had adjusted the event dates from Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> and Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September and confirmed that they would not be holding a 3 day festival this year.

There was a discussion around the Magic of Thailand event fee which had not yet been agreed. The Parks Supervisor noted that given the event was scheduled for May, the ground could still be quite wet which could result in high ground maintenance costs afterwards. Members were advised that Site Permissions were currently reviewing and that the Events Officer would be able to provide more information after the meeting. **ACTION JB/SE**.

Members asked that the Events Officer provides more detail around the thinking behind the fees that were tabled in the report. **ACTION JB/SE.** 

#### 4. Any Other Business

There was none.

Close 14:45.

# PARKING TASK AND FINISH GROUP INTERIM REPORT TO DOWNS COMMITTEE

#### **PURPOSE OF THE T&F**

To explore all options to find a solution or solutions to the following problems :

- Closure of the Zoo and subsequent loss of income from the (previously named) North Carpark;
- Illegal parking on the roads on the Downs;
- Clarify legal position of the North carpark in light of the JR settlement.

#### **OPTIONS BEING EXPLORED**

#### 1. P&D carpark at the old car park site

Turn the previously named North Car Park into a pay and display car park called the Downs Car Park.

Vehicles would be able to park for up to 5 hours and would be using the carpark to access the Downs for recreation. Charges would help to support maintenance of the Downs.

Downs Committee members of the T&F are in discussion with two providers:

- 1. A private organisation, which would fund all of the infrastructure costs:
- 2. BCC will also tender to implement a P&D on the site.

Full details are not yet provided but will be reported to the Committee, hopefully at the AGM or at the following meeting.

While details of the providers is being sought, in parallel, legal advice is being sought to ensure that we are not outwith our permissions relating to the 1861 Act.

#### 2. Van-dwellers on the Downs

This problem seems unresolvable without some change to parking regulations or a change to the enforcement processes.

The present regulations allow vehicles to park for up to 5 hours and not return within 2 Hours. This makes enforcement difficult.

Options being looked at include:

- Reducing the hours and/or reducing the time frame for a return to park in the same postition;
- Improving enforcement if vehicles obviously are stationary and exploring how this could be enforced;
- Introduce P&D on all roads on the Downs with a limit of 2 hours (to include a free 30 minute option)
- Use of meanwhile sites for van dwellers who would be displaced.

CONSULTATION

Traffic Regulation Order/s (TRO) will be needed to make parking changes and these have mandatory consultation as part of the process. However, we are keen to understand stakeholders' views and are aware that no option for change is without negative consequences for some. To that end, we invite comments via our public forum, recognising the time-limits and capacity of the Chair to answer individual questions.

#### **Downs Management Report – 25 April 2023**

This period, the span between the finish of the winter programme and the beginning of the summer programme is generally a waiting game dictated by the elements.

When will the ground dry up sufficiently to be able to confidently access all parts without causing damage?

When will the grass get going?

What is the weather like on/around the bank holidays?

What is the aftermath from Funderworld?

So with the team based at the Downs we watch and await the answers to these questions and then react accordingly.

The Downs football seasons come to a conclusion with the BDL cup final on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Evening matches are through some of April. How many fixtures we have played on evenings is dictated by how many fixtures were lost to cancellations during the season.

Following the conclusion to the seasons we swiftly get out onto the surfaces and assess where reinstatement is required. More topsoil and grass seed is added. This concludes by end of May to give time to bed in before the following season commences.

Preparations for grass mowing are carried out, this involves clearing brash off the ground, lifting tree canopies and generally checking and ensuring any hazards that would affect safe mowing procedure are removed.

The team have jet washed off a proportion of our bench stock and we/alongside our community payback team have been repainting and wood staining for the summer season.

I have been in meetings with the event organisers of Funderworld, Pride and Forwards events. I have also attended the FODAG stakeholder meeting and the Avon Gorge and Downs wildlife project meeting at the conservation centre on former zoo site.

The plan is to continue our regime from last year where we identified verges to leave unmown for habitat and food source for invertebrates and promote tree health. There were a couple of areas where this presented a problem to us from a maintenance point of view but the large majority will remain under this regime for another summer season.

Observatory Hill access is still an issue. Whilst the business still requires the access point from the junction at Bridge Rd for its waste transfer vehicles we are still going to have a problem with excessive footpath erosion all the way up to the building. A new bollard has been installed as the last one was broken. This can alleviate some of the problem by taking control of deliveries it is the waste transfer vehicles that are the most problematic. If the owner can get assent from Historic England to carry out building/construction works on a scheduled ancient monument then the plan to create a new access point by widening the middle footpath into an access point will be the best solution. We can then look to do something about the surfacing at the current access point.

Ivywell Rd has been dug up recently as part of the wider Wales and West gas utility works. People have attributed this to the damage that is happening to the Downs alongside the road. I can report that this assertion is incorrect. The road here is too narrow for parking and 2 way traffic. Causing vehicles to drive onto the Downs to pass each other. This problem was happening a long time before

Wales and west utilities arrived to carry out the recent works. Either a kerbway needs to be installed along the Downs edge or traffic can only be one way. I will continue to be in communication with highways colleagues about this to see if they will push it up the their list of highways works projects/priorities.

I want to finish by giving my thanks as always to FODAG volunteers for their welcome assistance with the Downs war on litter. I would also like to thank our community payback team for the valuable time they give us carrying out dressing room cleaning and bench maintenance to name just two of things.

Summary of activities of the Avon Gorge and Downs Wildlife Project education and community engagement programme

Reporting Officer: Anna Stevens Avon Gorge and Downs Biodiversity Engagement and Learning Manager

In January, February and March we directly engaged with 459 people through the learning and community engagement programme.

#### Avon Gorge & Downs Wildlife Project (AGDWP) events programme Jan-March

As part of the events programme we ran: two Wildlife Talks ('Sensational Silky Wave Moth' and 'Delightful Dormice'); an 'Amble with the Avon Gorge goat keeper' Discovery Walk, and a 'Brilliant Birds' children's holiday activity. All of our events have been very well received with rewarding quotes given on feedback forms: ...

- "..kids had a great day, learnt lots and keen to identify birds by their call 'teacher teacher'!"
- "..loved making the bird feeders."
- "..it was great and well-pitched."

"Expert knowledge. Clear delivery. Cute photos!"

"Speaker was very knowledgeable and articulate; subject fascinating."

Our events can be found here <a href="https://avongorge.org.uk/whats-on/">https://avongorge.org.uk/whats-on/</a> and we welcome the attendance of any Downs Committee members, who are are able to attend for free this year on any paid event if the event is not already fully booked. We would love to show you how we engage the general public with the biodiversity of the Downs and Avon Gorge. Please contact us so we can reserve you a space.

#### **School education sessions**

During this period, we taught 354 school children. We have taught children from 2 schools on the Downs and in-school. Our in-school sessions support the sessions we will run on the Downs with the same children but have the advantage of raising a small amount of income for the Project (£250). This was at the discretion of the AGDWP Engagement manager as the school has access to a small budget for the provision of outdoor learning in the school grounds. Committee members are welcome to observe any education session AGDWP runs this year in order that they can understand how we operate in the formal education capacity. AGDWP will need to seek permission from the education group attending.

#### Collaboration with the Clifton Suspension Bridge Trust (CSBT)

We worked in collaboration with CSBT to aid the creation of an Avon Gorge mural sited at the learning annexe by the suspension bridge. A well-known street artist, HazardOne, was keen to create a mural representing the rare and scarce species here in Bristol. AGDWP provided scientific detail and images of the botanical and invertebrate species in order that the portrayal is scientifically accurate. The mural was officially opened on 24<sup>th</sup> March and a fundraising competition launched by CSBT to win one of the mural panels. The mural is beautiful and engaging, a wonderful way to reach the large numbers of people who frequent the suspension bridge but may not normally engage with our local biodiversity. There is information next to the mural on AGDWP so that people can find out more about and engage with the project.

#### **History walk**

Anna and Vanessa have attended two history walks with expert Francis Greenacre in order to learn the history and heritage of the Downs. We enjoyed these so much that Francis has kindly agreed to run a history walk for the general public during Bristol Walk Fest in May.

#### **Bird survey**

We have started a monthly bird survey with Alastair Fraser, a bird identification expert who already works with the native species team at Wild Place Project (WPP). We have been on four transect walks, one per month covering four different habitats on the Downs and in the Gorge. We are recording our data on BirdTrack which automatically uploads the data to the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO) and allows us to view our data at any time. There is a lack of bird survey data within the AGDWP and this will allow us to monitor any changes in species richness and abundance at different times of year, over time. We aim to tie this information in with the scrub management plan to note impacts. Highlights so far are sightings of the elusive firecrest and a peregrine falcon.

#### iNaturalist project

With the help of the Natural History Consortium (NHC) we have now set up a project for the Downs and Avon Gorge on iNaturalist so that the general public can upload sightings of plant and animal species in our designated project area, and this will be recorded officially. The aim of this is to allow citizen science to play a part in our survey and monitoring programme and to establish a record of which species have been recorded on site – sightings are verified to research grade. Over the City Nature Challenge weekend in late April we will be guiding and helping the general public at two Downs' sites, to set up the iNaturalist app in order to take part in the NHC national bioblitz.

#### **Volunteers**

In February we had five volunteers who helped at and benefitted from attending our events. In March we had fifteen volunteers who helped at and benefitted from attending our events.

#### Sarah Booley project

Sarah Booley was a young ecologist who loved the Downs and tragically died whilst waiting for an operation during lockdown. Her family are keen to help, financially and through provision of ecological knowledge, with the design and implementation of a new family friendly tree trail around the Observatory and Promenade on Clifton Down. Anna attended a special anniversary event with Sarah's family and friends and discussions are ongoing with regard to how the trail will be developed. There is no time frame as yet in place on this.

#### Social media

The AGDWP now has an Instagram account for the sharing of particularly interesting and engaging images at <a href="https://www.instagram.com/avongorgeanddowns\_wildlife/">www.instagram.com/avongorgeanddowns\_wildlife/</a>.

We have been widely sharing our Facebook posts in order to extend our reach to the general public as well as specialised Facebook groups and this effort has been rewarded through an increase in Facebook views: 3,029 in January, 6,612 in February and 20,667 in March. We can be found at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/avongorge/">www.facebook.com/avongorge/</a>.

#### Sparks project

We have attended two in person meetings with the hosts and other stakeholders of the Sparks Project 2023 in order to prepare and plan for our presence at this installation. Sparks is a collaboration of different providers to form a temporary creative sustainability hub in Bristol city centre. It aims to create a playful and welcoming space that gives people easy, affordable ways to address the climate, ecological and cost of living crises and is inspired by the UN Sustainable

Development Goals. As representatives of the incredible local biodiversity present in Bristol we feel it is essential that we are involved in this project and we are working with Bristol City Council and the Botanical Gardens to provide interactive content, including workshops. We have applied for an outreach grant from British Ecological Society (BES) to help fund our presence. This is an opportunity to reach thousands of people of all ages from in and around Bristol who may not otherwise engage with their local biodiversity. The aim is to facilitate positive behaviour change which results in ongoing conservation of biodiversity.



# Short term target audience engagement strategy for 2023 Avon Gorge and Downs Wildlife Project Anna Stevens

#### **Background**

The Avon Gorge and Downs Wildlife Project (AGDWP) has many areas that it would like to focus on with regard to engagement of the people of Bristol and the surrounding area. It is important that AGDWP continues to use its time and staff resources efficiently and delivers its core elements effectively. It is a hallmark of the AGDWP to be known for quality engagement and delivery in formal education services and in the community events programme, the latter as it is a source of funding as well as engagement for the project. There are a great many areas of engagement which the project would like to pursue to expand its target audience. However, in order not to spread its resources too thinly these will be pursued in a timely fashion, either during 2023 or over the next few years.

AGDWP aims to facilitate an understanding in people that ecosystems are made up of connections between different plant and animal species, and that people have an impact on these species and hence ecosystems. Our biodiversity within our ecosystems keeps our biospheres stable enough for humans to successfully thrive.

#### Formal education and learning 2023

#### Secondary schools and colleges and AGDWP

The formal education provision of AGDWP is currently limited to primary schools age. This is a substantial reach; ages four to eleven, but this reach can be expanded to widen our formal education target audience.

49 secondary schools in Bristol City Council (30,997 students 2023).

There is a requirement for secondary schools to carry out practical surveying techniques and evaluation of collected data in several year groups in the subjects of biology and geography. AGDWP has the facilities to offer this provision to secondary schools and colleges as part of a single school fieldwork trip, fulfilling the school's objective to meet the appropriate section of the curriculum requirement in one go.

From the Conservation Education Centre we have easy access to a suitable site where surveying and sampling can be carried out effectively and pertinently to obtain useable data; certain areas of the Downs, the Gully and the 'lake' in the UoB Botanical Garden. AGDWP can use their tutors to provide guidance and tutelage, and has the use of an appropriate inside space/classroom following fieldwork to carry out required statistical analysis. Most teachers prefer to carry out statistical work on the same day and under the guidance of the same tutor who ran the fieldwork. What currently prevents us from offering this service to secondary schools is the lack of nearly all suitable required fieldwork equipment. The cost of such equipment is estimated as £2000. For curriculum links detail please see Appendix A. For cost details please see Appendix B.



#### **Primary schools and AGDWP**

AGDWP aims to target primary aged children in some areas of Bristol where there may be less opportunity to engage in a green natural space as highlighted by certain 'domains of deprivation' in the Index of Multiple Deprivation, the official measure of relative deprivation for small areas in England. These relevant domains of deprivation are Health, Education and Living Environment (Bristol City Council, 2019)<sup>1</sup> as demonstrated in Figure 1 below.

There are 7 domains of deprivation, which combine to create the Index of Multiple Deprivation (IMD2019):

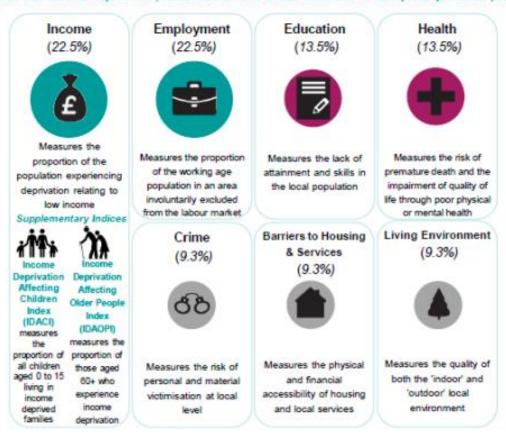


Figure 1. English Indices of Deprivation 2019 (ID2019), Ministries of Housing, Communities & Local Government.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bristol City Council (2019) *Deprivation in Bristol.* Available from: https://www.bristol.gov.uk/files/documents/1905-deprivation-in-bristol-2019/file.



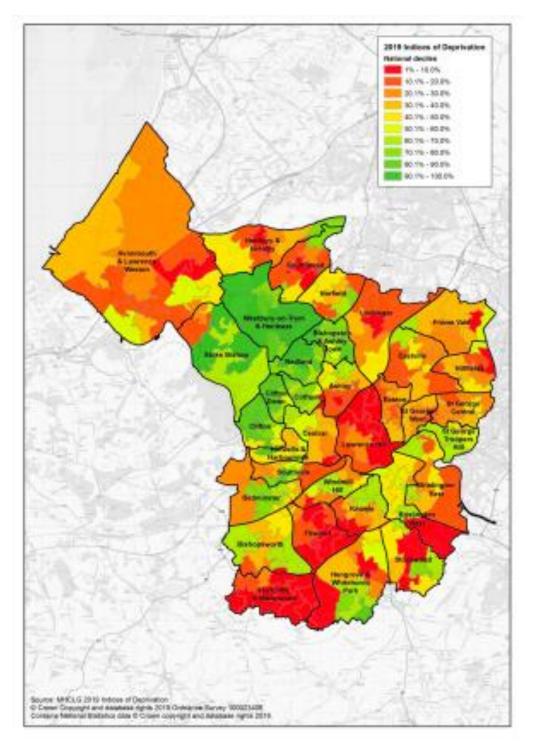


Figure 2. 2019 National Deprivation Deciles by Lower Layer Super Output Area (LSOA)<sup>2</sup>.

As seen in Figure 2. the ten most deprived neighbourhoods in Bristol are all in the South Bristol areas of Hartcliffe, Whitchurch Park and Knowle West. At ward level, the greatest levels of deprivation in Bristol are in the wards of Hartcliffe & Withywood, Lawrence Hill and Filwood (Bristol City Council 2019)<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>MHCLG (2019) *Indices of Deprivation* Available from: https://www.bristol.gov.uk/files/documents/1905-deprivation-in-bristol-2019/file.



AGDWP is connecting with Knowle Park Primary in Knowle West by engaging with the after school club at the school and initially offering two sessions in-school this term. We will consequently aim to encourage different year groups from the school to visit us on the Downs for curriculum linked school visits. In addition Ilminster Avenue E-Act Academy in Knowle West are visiting AGDWP on the Downs with two of its year groups this term.

AGDWP has also been in contact with the Cathedral School's Trust to identify which of its primary schools will benefit most from engaging with AGDWP. In terms of highest levels of deprivation these are identified as Stoke Park Primary School (32% FSM) in Lockleaze and Headley Park Primary School (19% FSM) in Bishopsworth, both areas highlighted in red/orange in Figure 2. The aim with these two schools initially will be to offer assemblies to the whole school in the autumn/winter 2023 with a further option for different year groups to experience in-school workshops. Visits to the Downs for curriculum linked learning in autumn 2023 or spring 2024 will hopefully follow.

These two engagement strategies are pilots for AGDWP to establish whether these methods of delivering first in-school are successful in building a long term relationship with primary schools in areas of high deprivation, and who may not feel able to visit the Downs due to cost issues. AGDWP would like to take the Downs and Avon Gorge to communities which do not feel able to visit.

In all cases above it may be the case that the schools will need financial support with their transport if they are to visit AGDWP on the Downs.

#### **Community Outreach**

#### Pre-school sessions on the Downs or at Leigh Woods

AGDWP currently does not offer any provision to those children below school starting age and we aim to reach a target audience in the age range three to four, plus carers.

From experience, providing regular sessions for this age group, with a carer/parent also attending, leads to a lifelong engagement with the natural world and an understanding of the connections between wildlife, ecosystems and humans.

When a child attends from the age of three and continues to attend for up to two more years, they discover the natural patterns of our seasons. The focus in each session is on the wildlife and how it is responding to the time of year. For example, in May we focus on waking up from winter and the hibernating mammals of England; in February and March we focus on birds' song, mating and laying eggs in nests; in September we focus on nocturnal mammals; in July we focus on butterflies; in June we focus on leaves of trees; in April we focus on flower colour; in October we focus on minibeasts and getting ready for winter.

Experiential learning, fun and engagement with activities to demonstrate the ecological connections within an ecosystem facilitates a love and appreciation of the natural world in a child. As a child grows they hold onto these values which may then form ecological behaviours to the benefit of the natural world. These values may also then be taken forward into adulthood. From experience a child will go on to attend other activities run by AGDWP throughout childhood and grow their knowledge and understanding of the natural world.



As a child attends with a parent or carer, that adult is also exposed to ecological learning and this is often a new experience for the adult. They also then may begin to change their behaviours for the benefit of biodiversity and increase their engagement with the natural world as their child grows. They may attend family and adult engagement activities with AGDWP to enhance their knowledge and connection with wildlife.

A tutor may need to be employed to run these pre-school age sessions, estimated cost around £1000.

#### **Sparks**

Sparks is a Bristol partnership project with Natural History Consortium and Artspace Lifespace and Global Goals Centre – a creative sustainability hub in Bristol City Centre which is inspired by the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

It markets itself as a playful welcoming space to give people easy ways to address the climate, ecological and cost of living crises. It will run from 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 to a minimum of December 2023. There are spaces related to art, sustainable clothes shopping, waste as well as the natural world.

AGDWP feels this an important space to be represented within as it will reach children whose schools may not normally engage with our regular sessions on the Downs but may attend a more generic setting with a multiple partner offering.

Due to its location in Broadmead children and adults will enter the project from the street to discover what is going on inside. They may have an unrelated aim coming in, but leave with an understanding and behavioural change resulting in a positive impact on the natural world.

As a project representing the valuable biodiversity so important to Bristol, AGDWP believes it to be essential to be represented in the space. The project will reach thousands of people due to its proximity to the main shopping area of Bristol and the length of time it will run for.

#### **AGDWP will offer:**

- A recurring schools and general public workshop in conjunction with 'Step into the Amazon' delivered initially during (May)/June/July once every fortnight or three weeks; into the summer holidays and on into the autumn term. This will offer an exploration of our very local biodiversity on the Downs and in the Avon Gorge with an interactive element to complement a contrasting exploration into the biodiversity of the Amazon in Brasil. A thought provoking exploration into how we are losing biodiversity, how the ecosystems are affected in both regions on opposite sides of the planet and what we can all do to help biodiversity in our own local area and beyond?
- Cost of workshop space is £20 per hour, estimated cost £400.
- An installation with interactive materials to sit in the entrance foyer area in conjunction with UoB Botanical Garden and BCC to highlight the biodiversity of the Downs and Avon Gorge. This should catch people's attention as they come in to lead them through a hands-on activity.
- This activity should be reward based so people have an incentive to take part with the result being a behaviour change to positively impact biodiversity.



• It is currently hoped that the design/build of this can be met by Sparks designers and this is under discussion.

#### **Citizen Science**

The UK has for some time been a world leader in using citizen science to monitor its biodiversity through events such as the Big Garden Birdwatch led by the RSPB since 1979, the Big Butterfly Count led by Butterfly Conservation and BirdTrack led by BTO. The City Nature Challenge has been in existence since 2016 and has grown into an international event in more recent years, in order to obtain a comprehensive record of wildlife in cities.

AGDWP will be taking part in this event in 2023 by encouraging the general public to record and upload wildlife sightings on the Downs and in the Avon Gorge using the iNaturalist app. We have set up a designated project area on the app so that any wildlife record in this area on iNaturalist will automatically be uploaded into the AGDWP project. We can then go onto our project online to look at species recorded over the allocated time and beyond. Species are verified by experts around the world up to research grade.

We will have two stands for AGDWP on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> April – one at the Suspension Bridge Learning Annexe and one up at the café on the Downs. At these we aim to reach a large cohort of the general public who we may not otherwise engage with our Downs and Avon Gorge wildlife. We will show people how to download the app, how to record different species and talk to them about our wide variety of common and rare species, what they can do to help conserve and live alongside biodiversity effectively.

#### **Finance**

AGDWP may decide to charge for pre-school sessions and secondary sessions to increase income into the project. In such a case it may also be that attendees are more likely to book with AGDWP and value their engagement when they are paying.

#### Outreach to be further explored later in 2023 and into 2024

- Social prescribing
- Family friendly tree trail
- Nature Works mental health charity for young people aged 11-25.



#### Appendix A

Some relevant detail on the Curriculum links in England pertaining to AGDWP follows below, taken verbatim from the Department for Education Subject Content April 2014.

#### A level/AS level (sciences)

#### General

The skills, knowledge and understanding of each specification in the subject must .... include the requirements set out below, and be integrated into the mandatory content indicated in the relevant appendix and any content added by the awarding organisation

- use appropriate methodology, including information and communication technology (ICT), to answer scientific questions and solve scientific problems
- carry out experimental and investigative activities, including appropriate risk management, in a range of contexts
- analyse and interpret data to provide evidence, recognising correlations and causal relationships
- evaluate methodology, evidence and data, and resolve conflicting evidence.

#### Working scientifically

Specifications in biology, chemistry and physics must encourage the development of the skills, knowledge and understanding in science through teaching and learning opportunities for regular hands-on practical work. In order to develop the necessary skills, knowledge and understanding, students studying A levels in biology, chemistry and physics will be required to have carried out a minimum of 12 practical activities, which will contribute towards the Practical Endorsement.

These skills, knowledge and understanding will also be assessed in A level written examinations in the context of these, and other, practical activities. The written examination for AS will also assess students in relation to their practical skills, knowledge and understanding. Specifications for biology must give students opportunities to use relevant apparatus to develop and demonstrate these techniques.

#### Practical techniques to be completed by candidates - examples

- use appropriate apparatus to record a range of quantitative measurements (to include mass, time, volume, temperature, length and pH)
- use appropriate instrumentation to record quantitative measurements
- produce scientific drawing from observation with annotations
- use sampling techniques in fieldwork.

#### Mathematical requirements and exemplifications

- Understand the principles of sampling as applied to scientific data Candidates may be tested on their ability to: analyse random data collected by an appropriate means, e.g. use Simpson's index of diversity to calculate the biodiversity of a habitat.
- Understand the terms mean, median and mode Candidates may be tested on their ability to: 
   calculate or compare the mean, median and mode of a set of data, e.g. height/mass/size of a
   group of organisms.



- Use a scatter diagram to identify a correlation between two variables Candidates may be tested on their ability to: interpret a scattergram, e.g. the effect of life style factors on health.
- Select and use a statistical test Candidates may be tested on their ability to select and use: the chi squared test to test the significance of the difference between observed and expected results the Student's t-test the correlation coefficient.
- Substitute numerical values into algebraic equations using appropriate units for physical quantities Candidates may be tested on their ability to: use a given equation e.g. Simpson's index of diversity  $[D = 1 (\sum (n/N)2]$ .
- Plot two variables from experimental or other data Candidates may be tested on their ability to: • select an appropriate format for presenting data, bar charts, histograms, graphs and scattergrams.

Some relevant detail on the Curriculum links in England pertaining to AGDWP follows below, taken verbatim from the Department for Education Science Programmes of Study September 2013.

#### **Key Stage 3 (sciences)**

#### General

Pupils should understand that science is about working objectively, modifying explanations to take account of new evidence and ideas and subjecting results to peer review. Pupils should decide on the appropriate type of scientific enquiry to undertake to answer their own questions and develop a deeper understanding of factors to be taken into account when collecting, recording and processing data. They should evaluate their results and identify further questions arising from them.

#### Working Scientifically – pupils should be taught to within experimental skills and investigations:

- ask questions and develop a line of enquiry based on observations of the real world, alongside prior knowledge and experience
- make predictions using scientific knowledge and understanding
- select, plan and carry out the most appropriate types of scientific enquiries to test predictions, including identifying independent, dependent and control variables, where appropriate
- use appropriate techniques, apparatus, and materials during fieldwork and laboratory work, paying attention to health and safety
- make and record observations and measurements using a range of methods for different investigations; and evaluate the reliability of methods and suggest possible improvements
- apply sampling techniques.

#### **Subject Content examples**

Interactions and interdependencies - Relationships in an ecosystem

- the interdependence of organisms in an ecosystem, including food webs and insect pollinated crops
- the importance of plant reproduction through insect pollination in human food security
- how organisms affect, and are affected by, their environment, including the accumulation of toxic materials.



#### **Appendix B**

Estimated purchase cost of secondary equipment to carry out surveying and sampling techniques:

Quadrats x10 100 square (£22), 25 square (£20), x1 open circa (£16) £450

Sweep nets x 10 circa £140

Pooters x 30 circa £84

Magnifiers x 40 £385

Tape measures x4 circa £160

Hygrometers x10 circa £235

Soil thermometres x10 circa £130

Light metres x3 circa £186

Clinometres x2 circa £34

Test tubes x100 circa £32

barium sulphate / universal indicator fluid / spatulas / pipettes £105 circa

Goggles x10 £50

Latex gloves

ID charts x9 circa £30

Trowel

Butterfly net circa x1 £40

Metre rules x10 circa £85

Total: £2041

### **Downs Committee - 25th April 2023**

## **Events Update**

#### 1. Events that have taken place since last Downs Committee

Funderworld launched their event on 31<sup>st</sup> March and are now live on site. The organisers have been contending with some very challenging weather and ground conditions and needed to delay opening to the public.

#### 2. Confirmed events 2023

The following events are currently booked for The Downs in 2023, subject to site permissions. Please note slight adjustments to live dates for Forwards Festival and the Circus.

March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
Funderworld							
Water T	ower						
31/03/2	23 - 01/0	5/23					
			Race for Life				
			Circular Road				
			25/06/23				
				Bristol Pride			
				Parrys Lane			
				08/07/23			
						Forwards Festival	
						Circular Road	
						1/9/23 - 2/9/23	
						Bristol Uni Fayre	
						Parrys Lane	
						22/09/23	
						Circus	
						Showground	
						15/09/23 - 08/10/2	.3

#### 3. Complaints relating to events on the downs

There have been no new complaints through the official council complaints system relating to events on the downs since my last report. One noise complaint has come through via a councillor and is being looked in to.

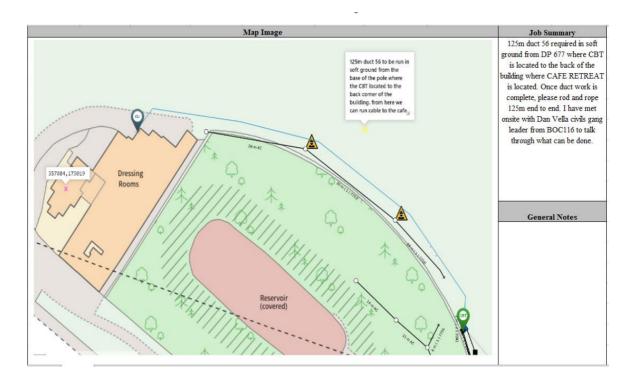
# Request from Pride for improved internet connectivity on the Downs

The Downs Committee have been approached by Pride, who in partnership with Forwards Festival, would like to improve the internet connection on the downs.

Internet connectivity was an issue at Pride last year - impacting on gate systems and traders. Pride have investigated the costs and logistics of installing a fibre line on the downs to improve internet connectivity. The solution involves digging a 100m duct to run the cable to the nearest pole, which BT have offered to do for free. The connection would be run to the café, which would benefit from the connection year-round.

Once installed, all other events on the downs would also be able to pay to use the improved connection, with costs likely to be lower than their existing solutions. This infrastructure improvement may also encourage new events to move to the downs. It is worth noting that events generated £285,000 of income to the downs in 2022-23, so maintaining and attracting events represents an important revenue stream.

There is an initial cost of £4935, to cover the paperwork and begin the process. The ask is if the downs committee would be willing to cover the initial cost of up to £4935, with Pride and Forwards covering future costs for them and the cafe. Pride and Forwards Festival have offered to split any additional costs and annual charges going forwards (subject to them running events on the downs). Officers are also investigating the possibility of using a different provider, which may slightly reduce the cost quoted.





## **Downs Committee Financial Report**

#### 1. Forecast Report for 2022-23

- 1.1 The report provides a forecast of the financial performance of the Downs for the period 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023.
- 1.2 The budgeted and actual income and expenditure up to period 11, April to mid-March 2023, has been analysed and projections have been made resulting in some potential variances.
- 1.3 A summary of the forecast income and expenditure for 2022-23, the change from the previous report at P9 and prior year comparators, can be seen in Table 1.

TABLE 1 - Overall Income	and Expenditu	re Summary							
	Full Year Budget £	2022/23 Forecast Outturn (P11 - Feb23) £	Variance £	Notes	2022/23 Forecast Outturn (P9 - Dec22) £	Variance £	Change P9 to P11 £	2021/22 Outturn	2020/21 Outturn £
Income									
Gross Income	394,750	430,800	36,050	Surplus	397,940	3,190	32,860	332,600	227,613
<u>Expenditure</u>									
Total Expenditure	(394,750)	(512,220)	(117,470)	Overspend	(501,565)	(106,815)	(10,656)	(637,576)	(465,603)
Transfer from Reserves	0	0	0	Reserves are exhausted	0	0	0	97,680	237,990
NET OUTTURN	0	(81,421)	(81,421)	Representing Downs generated net surplus / (deficit)	(103,625)	(103,625)	22,204	(207,296)	0

- 1.4 Gross income for 2022-23 is currently forecast to be in surplus by £36k, expenditure is forecast to overspent by (£117k), resulting in a net deficit of (£81k). The previous forecast net deficit was (£103k), there has been an improvement in the forecast of £22k.
- 1.5 The forecast deficit has occurred from the increased demand placed on the Downs from users, requiring out of hours working; a pay award and higher premises related costs including, buildings R&M, cleaning, and energy costs.
- 1.6 The improved forecast position has occurred from higher than anticipate car parking income.
- 1.7 Further information and explanations can be seen in Table 2.

TABLE 2 - Income and Expenditure	Analysis								
	Full Year Budget	2022/23 Forecast Outturn (P11 - Feb23)	Variance	Notes	2022/23 Forecast Outturn (P9 - Dec22)	Variance	Change P9 to P11	2021/22 Outturn	2020/21 Outturn
<u>Income</u>	£	£	£		£	£	£	£	£
Fees - Events	285,000	285,190	190	Surplus	285,190	190	0	237,214	58,926
Fees - Licensing & Rents	104,750	135,810	31,060	Surplus	104,750	0	31,060	82,060	145,891
Fees- Other	5,000	9,800	4,800	Surplus	8,000	3,000	1,800	13,327	22,796
GROSS Income	394,750	430,800	36,050	Surplus	397,940	3,190	32,860	332,600	227,613
<u>Expenditure</u>									
Employees	(205,060)	(273,405)	(68,345)	Additional Gardner post, pay award and higher overtime	(269,903)	(64,843)	(3,502)	(258,171)	(197,642)
Premises	(31,240)	(67,930)	(36,690)		(66,684)	(35,444)	(1,246)	(62,798)	(54,460)
* Planned R&M	(2,400)	(2,400)	0	Rock face Inspection	(2,400)	0	0	(2,321)	0
* Buildings R&M	(11,300)	(23,304)	(12,004)	Downs compound, toilets and changing rooms	(26,283)	(14,983)	2,979	(17,515)	(21,030)
* Grounds Maintenance	0	(3,335)	(3,335)	enanging rooms	(703)	(703)	(2,632)	0	(1,665)
* Fuel costs	0	(2,502)	(2,502)		(2,500)	(2,500)	(2)	(1,873)	(797)
* Cleaning Contract	(17,040)	(35,889)	(18,849)	Strict cleaning regime and locking up of toilets with continuing contractor	(34,298)	(17,258)	(1,591)	(40,737)	(29,555)
* Waste Management	(500)	(500)	0	Septic tank	(500)	0	0	(352)	(1,412)
Transport	(500)	(500)	0		(500)	0	0	(466)	(293)
Supplies and Services	(39,750)	(39,750)	0		(42,250)	(2,500)	2,500	(199,423)	(122,562)
* Equipment & Materials	(11,750)	(11,750)	0	Seed, soil, uniforms, hire of mobile	(14,250)	(2,500)	2,500	(34,335)	(17,402)
* Contribution to Educational posts	(28,000)	(28,000)	0	work platform	(28,000)	0	0	0	(27,000)
* Fees & Charges - Legal	0	0	0		0	0	0	(160,294)	(62,798)
* Traveller eviction costs	o	0	0		0	0	0	(4,794)	(14,545)
* Security Costs	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	(818)
Third Party Payments	(5,000)	(5,000)	0	Annual contribution towards managing the Avon Gorge and Downs	(5,000)	0	0	(5,000)	(5,440)
Total Expenditure	(281,550)	(386,585)	(105,035)	Wildlife Project  Overspend	(384,336)	(102,786)	(2,248)	(525,858)	(380,398)
Net Total before Support Services	113,200	44,215	(68,985)		13,604	(99,596)	30,611	(193,258)	(152,784)
Support Services	(113,200)	(125,636)	(12,436)		(117,228)	(4,028)	(8,407)	(111,718)	(85,205)
* Events Team	(34,350)	(34,379)	(29)	15% of gross income from event fees	(34,379)	(29)	0	(25,580)	(9,575)
* Human Resources	(250)	(250)	0	(excluding football fees)	(250)	0	(0)	(26)	(40)
* ICT	0	0	0		0	0	0	(62)	0
* Finance	(4,300)	(4,300)	0		(4,300)	0	0	(4,200)	(4,200)
* Democratic Services	(6,000)	(6,000)	0		(6,000)	0	0	(5,900)	(5,900)
* Parks Management	(12,700)	(12,700)	0		(12,700)	0	0	(12,700)	(12,700)
* Transport	(26,100)	(23,000)	3,100	Vehicle R&M, fuel, contract hire	(26,100)	0	3,100	(24,859)	(18,583)
* Utility Costs	(2,500)	(5,750)	(3,250)	Electricity, water and sewerage	(6,500)	(4,000)	750	(5,289)	(2,341)
* Other	(27,000)	(39,257)	(12,257)	Parks technical support, asset management and advice	(27,000)	0	(12,257)	(33,102)	(31,866)
Net Position	0	(81,421)	(81,421)	Overspend	(103,625)	(103,625)	22,204	(304,976)	(237,990)
Transfer from Reserves	0	0	0	Reserves exhausted	0	0	0	97,680	237,990
Net Outturn	0	(81,421)	(81,421)	Net surplus/(deficit)	(103,625)	(103,625)	22,204	(207,296)	0