

# Beckenham Place Park

March 2024



# Mission

**BPP's mission is to be a dynamic open space that provides opportunities for nature and people to flourish with a thriving community at its heart.**

# TIMELINE



## 2016

£5 million Heritage Lottery Fund grant awarded to rebuild Homestead, Cottage and landscaping

Mayor of London funding to reinstate the lake

RJK properties occupy the mansion to activate space as community centre



## 2019

Relaunch of post-renovation West side of the park

New businesses start joining BPP - the FSC (learning centre), Homestead Cafe and PTP Coaching (lake)



## 2023

Two new businesses join BPP - Eddie's dog shop and Nor gift shop

£2 million secured from EA and GLA for east-side improvements

Works started on the east side of the park in the Autumn



## 2024

Works on east side expected to be finalised in Autumn 2024

Celebration event for the local community in Spring 2024

## Introduction

## Beckenham Place Park is the largest park in south east London at around 1km squared.

It was originally the parkland associated with John Cator's mansion, which was built in 1762 and still dominates the park today. It was then used as a golf course for over a century.

Since then, the park has been restored thanks to a Heritage Lottery Fund grant. The regeneration, completed in 2019, has recreated and reimagined the park's Georgian origins to serve local communities in the 21st century. The Georgian lake has been reinstated, and the original stable yard and its buildings have been fully restored to house the park café and an environmental education centre.

The park is also a key site for wildlife, boasting a range of diverse habitats. From ancient woodland to hay meadow, natural river to pond, this is a great place to be up-close to nature.

### Key

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| Mansion House      | Pond          |
| Parking            | Lake          |
| Stableyard         | Wild swimming |
| Café               | Barbeque area |
| Education centre   | Skate park    |
| Toilets            | BMX track     |
| Formal gardens     | Foxglove      |
| Gardener's Cottage | Woodland      |
| Community gardens  | River         |
| Playground         |               |



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BPP map (click on image to go to pdf of map)







## Downham Side Redevelopment area



Heritage





BPP is for everyone





# Events





Award winning park





Volunteers