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1 Introduction

- 1.1.1 This report presents the community open space condition surveys undertaken within the Risley to Bamfurlong area (MA05).
- 1.1.2 Condition surveys were undertaken on publicly accessible open spaces likely to be directly impacted by the Proposed Scheme.
- 1.1.3 The purpose of the open space surveys was to collect primary data on the condition of open spaces. The information collected was used to identify the nature of the resource, the type of facilities and their available condition. In addition, it was used to identify the sensitivity of the space and their users to determine potential impacts associated with construction or operation of the Proposed Scheme.
- 1.1.4 These condition surveys were used to inform the community assessment reported in Volumes 2 and 5 and the Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA).

2 Open space condition survey

2.1 Pestfurlong Hill, Birchwood

Table 1: Pestfurlong Hill, Birchwood open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Pestfurlong Hill, Birchwood	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Woodland Trust
Location/address	110 Inglewood Close, Birchwood, WA3 6UJ	Size (ha)	10ha
OS map reference	366987/393071	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	Five: Inglewood Close; Silver Lane; Gorse Covert Road; Fisher field Drive; Rockingham Close

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	✓	n/a	Good quality wooded area with multiple paths connected to each other. Part of the larger 'Birthwood Forest Park'/'Gorse Covert Mounds' area.	Most paths are formal and covered in stone. Possibly wheelchair accessible in some areas.
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	There are a few litter bins and dog waste bins. These are good quality.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	✓	n/a	Numerous good quality information signs with details of routes and the wider Birchwood Forest Park are Signs providing information were displayed at the car park near.	There is an information sign aimed at children showing the wildlife in the area, the direction and distances of key locations and activities they can do (sledging, pond dipping) at the hill.

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	Good quality wooden benches at numerous points.	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	✓	n/a	Small car park for approx. 8 cars. No designated disabled spaces.	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	✓	n/a	Pond with a path leading down to it and a bench nearby. Appeared to be reasonably well kept.	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	n/a
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a

¹ The children's play area abbreviations are: Local Equipped Play Area (LEAP) – designed for younger children; Neighbourhood Equipped Play Area (NEAP) – designed for older children; and Local Area for Play (LAP) – designed for very young children.

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B. Condition	
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	The overall cleanliness was good with no signs of littering, graffiti or vandalism.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The resource is welcoming and signed with a formal, good quality car park.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	There is no security present.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	The resource appears to be well used, frequently by dog walkers and people exercising.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	The users are likely to be locals from the neighbourhood.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Woodland Trust.
Surrounding linked features	Birchwood Forest Park, Gorse Covert Mounds.

2.2 Shaw Street Recreation Ground, Culcheth

Table 2: Shaw Street Recreation Ground, Culcheth open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Shaw Street Recreation Ground, Culcheth	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Warrington Council
Location/address	Shaw Street, Culcheth, WA3 5EX	Size (ha)	4.2ha
OS map reference	3661891 / 395143	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian and vehicular	No. and location of entry points	1: Shaw Street

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	Two rugby pitches and one football pitch.	n/a
Litter bins	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	✓	n/a	Signs to show that there is a rugby club located at the site. Entrance and exit signs for the car park.	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	✓	n/a	Large tarmac car park.	No designated disabled spaces.
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	✓	n/a	There is a building that appears to be owned by the Eagle's Rugby Club. The toilets and facilities in here are not publicly accessible.	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	✓	n/a	Organised rugby matches.	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	Overall good quality space that is well kept.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	The sport pitch markings are clear and there are floodlights.
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	n/a
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	The area is clearly signed as the Eagle's Rugby Club.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Frequently used by locals, dog walkers and rugby club members.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local town. As the pitches are used for a rugby club, this could attract teams from further afield on match days.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Rugby club and its members, Warrington Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.3 Silver Lane Lakes/Risley landfill site, Culcheth

Table 3: Silver Lane Lakes/Risley landfill site, Culcheth open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Silver Lane Lakes / Risley landfill site, Culcheth	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Biffa
Location/address	Birchwood Way, Croft, WA3 6BY	Size (ha)	90ha
OS map reference	366510 / 393696	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian and vehicular	No. and location of entry points	3: Birchwood Way, Warrington Road (A574), Bent Lane

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	✓	n/a	Network of formal, wooded paths around ponds.	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	✓	n/a	Fairly clean.	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	n/a
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The area was not signed at all and there was no formal parking. The area was not easily accessible, and not very welcoming.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	n/a

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Local dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local town.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	The area is not signed so it is unclear who owns the land.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

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2.4 Culcheth Recreation Ground, Culcheth

Table 4: Culcheth Recreation Ground, Culcheth open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Culcheth Recreation Ground	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Warrington Council
Location/address	Lodge Drive, Culcheth, WA3 4ER	Size (ha)	2.1ha
OS map reference	365594 / 395281	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian and vehicular	No. and location of entry points	3: Lodge Drive, B520 7, Warrington Road

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	A good quality children's play area with swings, slides and climbing apparatus.	Yes, children's play area.
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	One litter bin in each corner of the park.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	✓	n/a	There is a sign in the play area explaining the rules of the playground.	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	5 benches	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	✓	n/a	There is a car park that appears to be shared with users of the local shops. No designated disabled spaces.	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	A good quality play area with no signs of vandalism or graffiti.
Management and maintenance	The resource seems to be well managed and maintained with a signed play area.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	n/a
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	n/a

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Likely to be frequently used by local children, parents. The recreation ground is mainly used by dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local town.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a

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C. Local context	
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Warrington Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.5 Open space on Spruce Close, Lowton

Table 5: Open space on Spruce Close, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Open Space on Spruce Close, Lowton	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	Spruce Close, Lowton, WA3 2DG	Size (ha)	0.4ha
OS map reference	362648 / 396969	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Spruce Close, Larch Close

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Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	A grassed area in good condition with no facilities present. The grass is mowed but there do not appear to be any signs or lighting present.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	n/a
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	n/a

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Likely to be used only by local people.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Locals from the neighbourhood for dog walking.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.6 Recreation Ground between Alder Road and Oaklands Road, Lowton

Table 6: Recreation Ground between Alder Road and Oaklands Road, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Recreation Ground between Alder Road and Oaklands Road, Lowton	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	Alder Road, Lowton, WA3 2LU	Size (ha)	1.3ha
OS map reference	362817 / 397549	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian and vehicular	No. and location of entry points	2: Alder Road, Oaklands Road

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Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	NEAP. Play area with swings, slides, two zipwires, a skate park and a seesaw	Likely to be used by children.
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	Goal posts, rugby posts and basketball hoops.	Likely to be used by children and young people.
Litter bins	✓	n/a	Several litter bins.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	✓	n/a	On-street parking only.	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	No signs of graffiti or vandalism.
Management and maintenance	Mowed lawn, good quality seating and overall well-maintained resource.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	No line markings for pitches.
Overall cleanliness	Fairly clean.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	No signage or paths to play areas.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	No CCTV or security measures.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Locals.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Neighbourhood.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

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2.7 Open space north of Springmount, Lowton

Table 7: Open space north of Springmount, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Open space, north of Springmount, Lowton	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	Springmount, Lowton, WA3 2QH	Size (ha)	0.8ha
OS map reference	362395 / 397578	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Springmount, Langfield

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Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	✓	n/a	Well maintained footpaths throughout woodland within the housing estate.	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	Functional bins.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	✓	n/a	Pond with wildlife.	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	There is no evidence of graffiti or vandalism.
Management and maintenance	Paths are well kept, managed and maintained.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	n/a
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	There are streetlights around the area.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Frequently used by dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local residents, especially those who live on the housing estate next to the space.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a

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C. Local context	
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.8 Land off Stein Avenue, Lowton

Table 8: Land off Stein Avenue, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Land off Stein Avenue, Lowton	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Unclear who owns the land, likely to be Wigan Council.
Location/address	5 Stein Avenue, WA3 2LQ	Size (ha)	0.53ha
OS map reference	362325 / 397747	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Stein Avenue, Garton Drive

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Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	✓	n/a	Well maintained footpaths throughout woodland in the open space.	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	One bin.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	✓	n/a	Pond with wildlife.	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	There is no evidence of graffiti or vandalism.
Management and maintenance	Paths are well kept, managed and maintained.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The area is welcoming, it is clean and breaks up the residential area with green space.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	No signs of security measures.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Frequently used by dog walkers
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local residents who live nearby.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a

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C. Local context	
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Unclear who owns the land, likely to be Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.9 Hesketh Meadows Playing Fields, Lowton

Table 9: Hesketh Meadows Playing Fields, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Hesketh Meadows playing Fields, Lowton	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council.
Location/address	170 Newton Road, Lowton, WA3 2AL	Size (ha)	5.6ha
OS map reference	363104 / 397775	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Newton Road, Hesketh Meadow Lane

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Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	Football pitches and goal posts.	n/a
Litter bins	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	✓	n/a	There is a new gravel car park and older tarmac car park.	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	✓	n/a	East Leigh Junior Football Club use the pitches and car parks.	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	The resource appears to be well managed and maintained with no graffiti or vandalism.
Management and maintenance	n/a
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	The football pitch markings are clear.
Overall cleanliness	No signs of litter.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The area is clean and welcoming with an obvious car park for visitors.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	There is no security.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Frequently used by East Leigh FC members, locals, dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local people.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.10 Land off Braithwaite Road, Lowton

Table 10: Land off Braithwaite Road, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Land off Braithwaite Road	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	Braithwaite Road, Lowton, WA3 2FY	Size (ha)	2.9ha
OS map reference	362023 / 397813	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Braithwaite Road, Plover Way

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	LEAP. The play area equipment is good quality and consists of swings and a jungle gym.	The play area is aimed at children.
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	There are football and rugby posts on the grass area beside the play area.	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	There are two litter bins available.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	There is a bench available.	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	A well-maintained resource with some litter present.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	There are no markings for the football and rugby posts.
Overall cleanliness	A few pieces of litter.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The area is welcoming and feels safe.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	There are no lights or other forms of security present.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Frequently used by locals, most likely from the surrounding housing estate.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local town and housing estate.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a

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C. Local context	
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	Land off Stein Avenue.

2.11 Byrom Wood, Lowton

Table 11: Byrom Wood, Lowton open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Byrom Wood, Lowton	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Forestry Commission and Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council
Location/address	Slag Lane, Lowton, WA3 1BT	Size (ha)	27ha
OS map reference	362217 / 399015	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Slag Lane, Lowton Road

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	✓	n/a	Woodland with a circular path.	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Litter bins	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	The main walking circuit has seating.	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	✓	n/a	There is a pond.	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	There was some graffiti and vandalism on the walls at the entrance from Byrom Hall estate.
Management and maintenance	The wood is reasonably well managed and maintained.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	There are signs and notices up regarding dog waste. There was no evidence of litter or dog waste.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The entrance from the estate was unwelcoming (narrow paths, leaning fences, high metal fences).
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	n/a

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C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Locals, dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	People from the neighbouring estate, town.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Forestry Commission and Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.12 Bamfurlong Recreation Ground, Abram

Table 12: Bamfurlong Recreation Ground, Abram open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Bamfurlong Recreation Ground	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	81 Lily Lane, Abram, WN2 5JW	Size (ha)	2.05ha
OS map reference	359915 / 401476	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	2: Lily Lane, Furlong Close

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	LEAP. Playground with five swings, slides, climbing apparatus and sheltered benches.	The playground is aimed at children.
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	There is a grass area that has two football pitches.	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	One litter bin.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	Four benches.	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	On street parking	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	No signs of graffiti or vandalism.
Management and maintenance	A well-managed and maintained resource.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	The overall quality and cleanliness of facilities on site is good.
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	n/a
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	n/a
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	There is no CCTV or other forms of security.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Frequent and daily, mainly used by dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Locals from the neighbourhood.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.13 Bamfurlong fields, Abram

Table 13: Bamfurlong fields, Abram open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Bamfurlong fields, Abram	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	James Street, Abram, WN2 5LD	Size (ha)	1.4ha
OS map reference	359373 / 401094	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	1: James Street

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	LAP. Set of four swings and a football field are present.	The facilities are likely to be used by children and young people.
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	One football pitch.	Likely to be used by children and young people.
Litter bins	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	The space is well maintained and kept in good condition.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	Clean space with only a few pieces of litter.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The space is welcoming and clearly used by the local community.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	n/a

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Local people.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Town.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.14 Abram playing field, Abram

Table 14: Abram playing field, Abram open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Abram playing field	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	St John's Street, Abram, WN2 5RH	Size (ha)	4.6ha
OS map reference	360955 / 401657	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	3: St John's Street, Coniston Drive, Lee Lane

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	Goal posts are available.	Access to the field area is step free.
Litter bins	✓	n/a	One litter bin.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	A well maintained and clean open space.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	n/a
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	There are no markings on the sports pitch.
Overall cleanliness	No signs of litter.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	It is possible that wheelchairs could access the resource, but the tarmac path becomes gravel.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	There is no lighting and the area is around derelict housing.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Local dog walkers and people exercising.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Local area / town.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.15 Abram Park, Abram

Table 15: Abram Park, Abram open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Abram Park	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	Lee Lane, WN2 5QU	Size (ha)	2.25ha
OS map reference	360936 / 401949	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	4: Lee Lane, Dickens Drive, Byron Close, Park View

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	NEAP. Good quality play area with a zip wire, swings and adventure play equipment.	Play area is aimed at children.
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	✓	n/a	Two multi use games areas (MUGAs), both floodlit.	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	Basketball and netball hoops.	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	Two bins.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	Four benches.	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	No signs of graffiti or vandalism.
Management and maintenance	The park is well managed and maintained.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	The quality of facilities on site is good.
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	Lines on sports pitch faded.
Overall cleanliness	A few pieces of litter.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The area is welcoming with tarmac paths the around the park.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	Lighting is present around the park.

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Local people, dog walkers.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Town, neighbourhood.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

2.16 Grimshaw Park, Abram

Table 16: Grimshaw Park, Abram open space condition survey

Data classification	Site data	Data classification	Site data
Name of site	Grimshaw Park	Owner and Operator of site (specify if different)	Wigan Council
Location/address	Grimshaw Park, Abram, Wigan, WN2 5XB	Size (ha)	1.8ha
OS map reference	360939 / 401272	Community area	Risley to Bamfurlong (MA05)
Access type - Pedestrian and/or vehicular	Pedestrian	No. and location of entry points	4: Grimshaw Park, Greenoak Close, Birch Road, Whitley Crescent

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A. Facilities on site	Yes (✓)	Photo (✓)	Description and comment on quality	Features for protected groups i.e. wheelchair access, step free, baby changing etc.
Children's play area (LEAP, NEAP, LAP ¹ water play, adventure play, skate park)	✓	n/a	LEAP. Swings, slides and a jungle gym are included in the play area.	n/a
Cultural or heritage asset (e.g. public art, stately home, sculpture)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Multi use games area	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Woodland	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Nature Reserve	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Urban farm, animals	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other sports facilities (specify sports type, sport, number size scale)	✓	n/a	Football posts are available.	n/a
Litter bins	✓	n/a	Litter bins functional.	n/a
Café/pub/restaurant	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Signage and way finding	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Visitor centre/education facility	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Benches/seating/picnic areas	✓	n/a	Benches in fair condition.	n/a
Car parking (including no. of disabled spaces) /cycle parking facilities	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Lakes/water/ponds	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Toilets/changing rooms. Wheelchair accessible?	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Evidence of use for organised events	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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B. Condition	
Factors to consider	Notes / Comments
Graffiti and vandalism	n/a
Management and maintenance	The park area appears to be managed and maintained.
Quality of seating	n/a
Overall quality of facilities on site	Overall the quality of facilities on site is good.
Lines, markings and posts (sporting facilities only)	n/a
Overall cleanliness	Some bits of litter present.
Welcoming (gateway entrances, signage, accessibility for user types)	The park is welcoming with signs from Wigan Council. There is a kissing gate to access the park.
Security (CCTV, sense of security, natural surveillance, presence of wardens/police)	n/a

C. Local context	
Likely user pattern (tourist/visitor attraction, everyday amenity, events)	Local people.
Catchment (Neighbourhood, Town, Metropolitan, Sub-Regional)	Town, neighbourhood.
Environmental designations (e.g. Local Nature Site)	n/a
Awards / Standards (e.g. Green Flag Award)	n/a
Management/stakeholders, other groups/organisations (e.g. Forestry Commission, Wildlife Trust, National Trust, County Council, District Council, Parish Council, Friends Group, Local Charitable Group)	Wigan Council.
Surrounding linked features	n/a

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