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REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF REGENERATION

**PARK MANAGEMENT PLANS**

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**1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

1.1 This report provides members with the opportunity to scrutinise draft park management plans for Ashton Park, Flaybrick Memorial Gardens, Royden Park and Victoria Park.

**2.0 BACKGROUND**

2.1 At its meeting on 2 April 2007 the Committee was presented with a report which described the progress made in the production of park management plans in accordance with Local Performance Indicator 4141 (Percentage of parks that have a management plan). Members were given the list of the first 20 draft management plans produced in 2005/06. Members were asked to decide which draft management plans they would like to be submitted to the Committee for more detailed consideration.

2.2 The Committee resolved (Minute 44):

(1) That the draft management plans for Ashton Park, Flaybrick Memorial Gardens, Royden Park and Victoria Park be submitted to the next meeting of this committee for more detailed consideration.

(2) That the draft management plans be circulated to relevant ward members.

2.3 The draft management plans for Ashton Park, Flaybrick Memorial Gardens, Royden Park and Victoria Park are now available on the Council's Virtual Committee (Wirral Intranet Information Items). To overcome problems of distribution and copying, the four Plans will be sent under separate cover to Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

2.4 Copies of the other 16 draft management plans listed in the previous report will also be made available on the Virtual Committee.

**3.0 FINANCIAL AND STAFFING IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 There are none directly arising from this report. There may, however, be financial and staffing implications arising from proposals contained in individual park management plans.

**4.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 Parks are available and fully accessible to all Wirral residents.

**5.0 LOCAL AGENDA 21 IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Wirral Parks and Countryside facilities make an important contribution to biodiversity.

## **6.0 LOCAL MEMBER SUPPORT IMPLICATIONS**

6.1 Ashton Park is in West Kirby and Thurstaston ward. Flaybrick Memorial Gardens are in Bidston and St. James ward. Royden Park is in Greasby, Frankby and Irby ward. Victoria Park is in Rock Ferry ward.

## **7.0 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

7.1 There are none arising from this report.

## **8.0 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS**

8.1 The draft management plans contain the results of security audits carried out in each park.

## **9.0 PLANNING IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are none arising from this report.

## **10.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

10.1 None

## **11.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

11.1 Members views are requested.

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