

Appendix 1

Anticipated timescale to World Heritage Site nomination and inscription

The anticipated timescale for a World Heritage Site nomination to be submitted for Birkenhead Park, and for it to be successfully inscribed, is set out below:

Date	Key Milestones and Activities
April 2023	UK Government's announcement of Birkenhead Park's inclusion on new Tentative List for future World Heritage Site nominations
April – September 2024	Preparing for, and working through the UK Government's Technical Evaluation process
May 2024 – September 2025	Preparing nomination package of documents, commencing site improvement works, and developing stakeholder engagement.
September 2025	UK Government submits draft nomination documents to UNESCO
February 2026	UK Government submits final nomination documents to UNESCO following feedback The key documents for the nomination submission are (i) a Nomination Dossier, and (ii) a Management Plan. The preparation of these documents will be informed by undertaking various studies, including physical condition surveys of the site, a setting and visual assessment study, a comprehensive long-term tree and vegetation strategy, a masterplan.
Summer 2026	UNESCO's Advisory Body visits the site for assessment
January 2027	UNESCO's Advisory Body provides nomination response
June/July 2027	UNESCO's World Heritage Committee meets to determine nomination

This anticipated programme suggests that it is possible to achieve Birkenhead Park's inscription as a World Heritage Site by 2027. However, the decision as to when a nomination to UNESCO will be submitted rests with the UK Government.