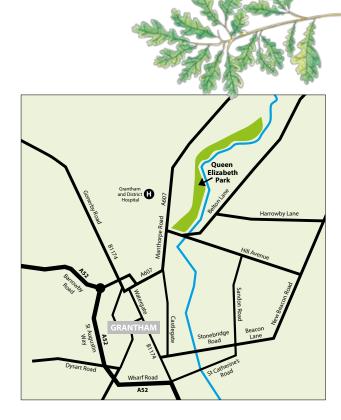
Welcome to Queen Elizabeth Park

Queen Elizabeth Park is a Country Park spread across roughly 25 acres - one of three very different parks within Grantham, that are connected by the River Witham. It is the most northerly of the three parks and stretches from Harrowby Mill in the north to Belton Lane in the south, with just over half a mile of riverside walk to wander along.

There are extensive woodlands, meadows and conservation areas, a small playground with a zip line, picnic benches, seating, learning and interpretation, a commemorative Diamond Grove and a members' only fishing lake.

The park is a favourite with dog walkers, joggers and cyclists with Sustrans Route 15 running along the riverside path and continuing into Wyndham Park.





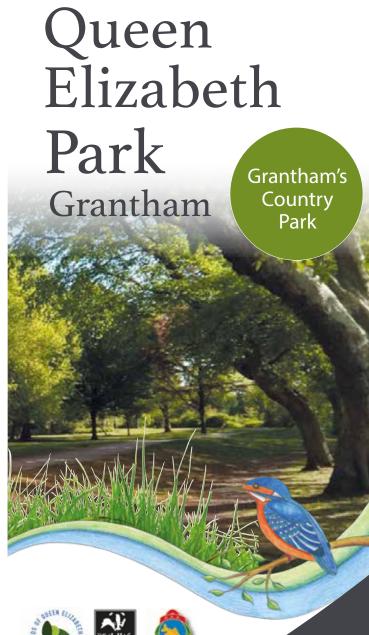
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A Brief History

The area the park occupies was once privately owned grazing land. Known as Lords Meadow, it marked the boundary between the Parish of Little Gonerby cum Manthorpe and the Parish of Harrowby.

The earliest mention of a mill in Harrowby is in the Domesday Book of 1086, when the whole manor was valued at ten shillings. The mill was demolished circa 1967.



Harrowby Mill Grantham, circa 1900

South Kesteven District Council (SKDC) purchased the land in 1979 with the intention of creating a public park. The park was named for Queen Elizabeth, The Queen Mother, in honour of her 80th birthday in 1980. To mark the occasion 80 trees were planted by school children - and most of them are still thriving.

The Fishing Pond was constructed in 1994 and is a member's only fishing pond for the Grantham Angling Association (GAA). To contact the GAA please visit www.granthamaa.org.uk

In 2012 a commemorative Diamond Grove of trees was planted to celebrate HM Diamond Jubilee.

Thanks to funding from the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government, during 2019 the park's old litter bins, benches and fishing platforms were replaced. Path improvement works took place, and new picnic benches and interpretation panels were introduced.

An Exciting Future

Queen Elizabeth Park will see further exciting changes start to take place during 2021/2022. As part of the Blue Green Corridor Project – Grantham, part funded by the European Regional Development Fund, a new wetland habitat will be created in the north end of the park, meadows will be introduced, and improvements will be made to the habitat of the River Witham as it flows through the park. This will be achieved through the introduction of soft berms and sympathetic planting.

For further information on the Blue Green Corridor Project – Grantham, please visit www. withamsleabluegreencorridor.co.uk or contact Tracey.Mooney@southkesteven.gov.uk

Grantham RiverCare



Grantham RiverCare is a Keep Britain Tidy project supported by Anglian Water. Established in 2004, the community group undertakes regular river cleans along the River Witham, alongside habitat management and wildlife surveying. The group welcomes new members. Please contact RiverCare@keepbritaintidy.org or

RiverCare@keepbritaintidy.org or visit www.rivercare.org.uk

Volunteer Opportunities, Community Involvement and Events



Come and join us!

SKDC and The Friends of Queen Elizabeth Park welcome new volunteers. If you have some spare time and would like to put something back into the local community, we want to hear from you.

Throughout the year we will be running events and activities in the park.

The park's dedicated website www.queenelizabethparkgrantham.co.uk provides further information.

Alternatively, please contact the Parks Community Engagement Officer on 01476 406033 j.ashworth@southkesteven.gov.uk.

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