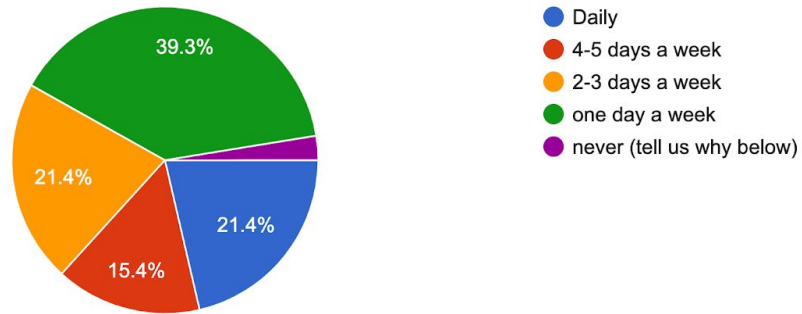


Park Survey 2019 Results

How often do you use Fog Lane Park?

117 responses

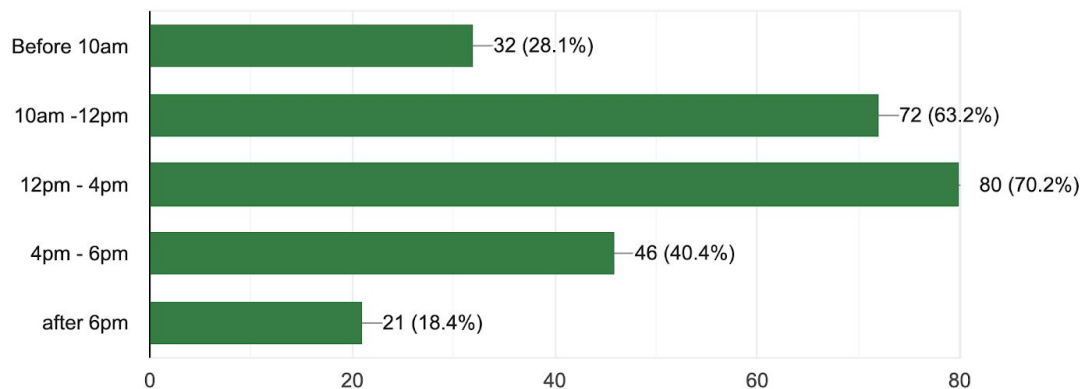


If never why? (3 responses)

- The toilet facilities are not open when I use the park, me and my children goto Didsbury Park or further away instead now.
- No toilet facilities
- It is not safe. It has lots of dogs whose owners are not responsible and dog faeces are an issue.

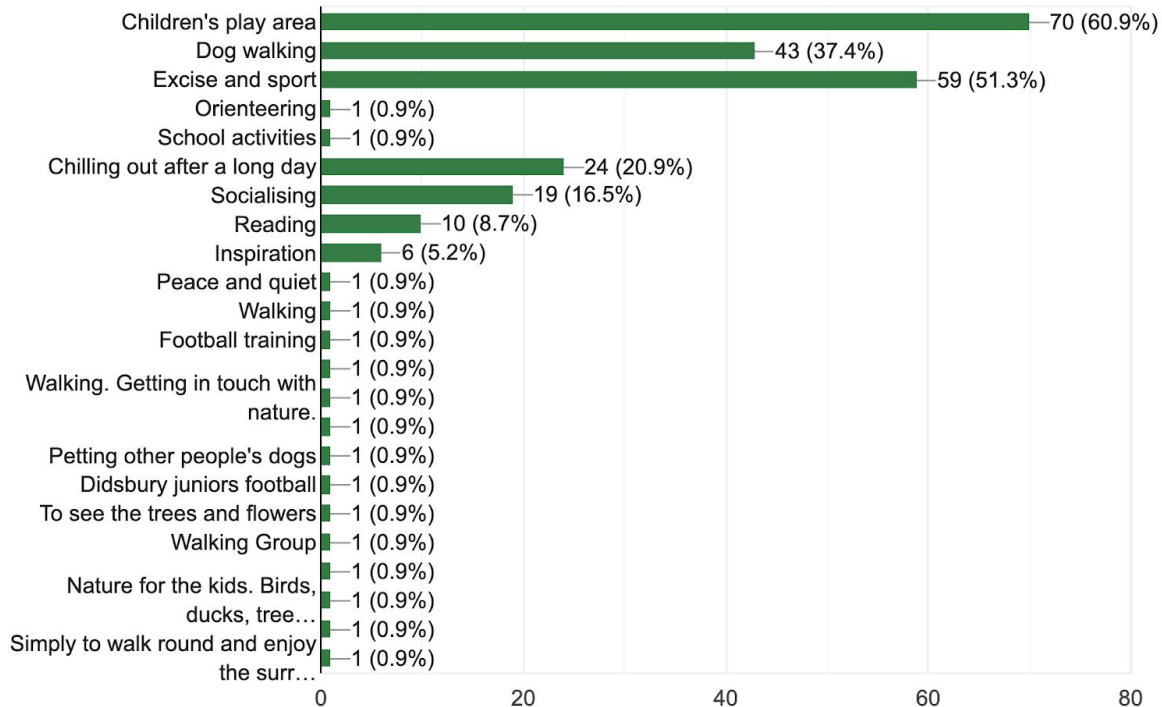
What times of day do you visit the park?

114 responses



What do you use the park for?

115 responses



If other, what? (16 responses)

- Cafe
- Coffee and cake
- The walk there and back as exercise, then a coffee and cake, then the wildlife around the pond and the trees for inspiration for textile work
- Writing a book, so like to work at a bench sometimes.
- Early years outing (childminder)
- Splashing in puddles, feeding the ducks, general exploring, to get fresh air
- Exploring nature with son and enjoying us being able to interact with other people and parents who use the park. Also love watching the ducks and parakeets and he likes running and talking to dodos - dogs. Also now started making use of the cafe and hoping it will soon be open more hours.
- Walking. Getting in touch with nature.
- Riding bike, scooter, going for a walk
- Getting from one Side to another quickest
- Petting other people's dogs

- Visiting the duck pond with my baby (when it's not flooded!)
- As above.
- Walking
- Coffee & cake
- Photography

What facilities in the park would you like to be added? (78 responses)

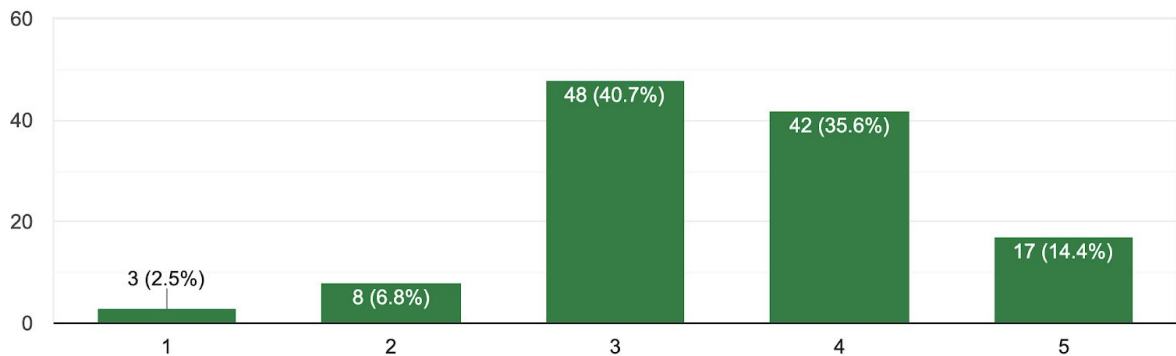
- Toilets and cafe that are open all day.
- Lighting. Better playground facilities for slightly older children (7yrs -11yrs) like a zip wire etc. More picnic benches. Better opening hours for the cafe.
- Updated play area. Cafe open more days.
- A fenced off area to let dogs run about. A public toilet.
- Toilets and a really good cafe
- Spring-closing gates, better lighting, better drainage
- Public toilets, Undercover area/rain shelter, lighting -especially near sports court/ near pavilion
- Longer opening times so toilets are open.
- Real animals like horses and sheep
- A new and nice cafe
- A new animal corner the park use to have one. Also maybe an enclosed dog area..
- Café to be open later I can't use it, the toilets open later would also be helpful.
- Full time cafe
- Toilet facilities. Animals
- Better toilet facilities that are open every day.
- Outdoor gym similar to Ladybarn Park
- Toilet, cafe
- Toilets and baby changing reliably open
- Extended hours for the cafe + Sunday opening times in summer
- Cafe
- Live music...buskers day etc like what didsbury park used to do....
- Toilets to be open every day. A trampoline in the playground (like in Didsbury Park). Refresh the protective surface in the playground. New kit in the playground. Self shutting gates - current ones pose a H&S risk. Forest school. Pets corner (or something similar) to be resurrected. The drainage to be addressed. The pond to be dredged.
- Cafe open seven days a week. Better play equipment for younger children - maybe just a modification of the young child's slide and better ground around the Big Mac truck. Sometimes flooring in kids park makes it quite hard to visit even after just a bit of rain
- More picnic benches in another location on Friday open grass. Having two right together doesn't provide much privacy
- Improved lighting
- Nicer seating areas
- Secure area for letting dogs off lead

- Cafe open on Sundays. This is our main family day out but we can never spend long in the park as no toilets or cafe!
- Extra facilities in children's playground would be amazing!
- Events dog show/craft group events
- Opportunity to use the green, more social activities using facilities we do have. More bin collections during busy/good weather spells.
- Fine as is.
- Security
- Gym equipment
- Fountains in summer, boules
- A closed off Dog area (maybe in that patch of grass behind the tennis courts).
- Youth club (run properly and safely) to give teenagers somewhere to go and have activities for them, if they have a purpose it might help to decrease anti social/criminal activity.
- Somewhere to get drinking water
- Better kids play area like Didbury park or bruntwood
- Grass tennis courts maybe on the disused bowling green. Maybe a fenced in dog walking enclosure.
- Circuit training
- Cafe that's open on a Sunday
- A parkee like we used to have
- Toilet, drinking water fountain
- Cafe opened daily. Old band stand reopened as paddling pool. More community events
- Public toilets. Dog area fenced off.
- More security and lighting.
- Water play area, adventure playground
- Longer cafe hours
- Daily opening of the cafe. More events
- An adventure playground, water fountain spray things like at Longford park
- Toilets and cafe open every day. Petting zoo. Forest school
- Sand pit for kids. But realise hard to keep clean. Forest school. Buggy boot camp.
- Allotment space
- Enclosed dog area
- More nature based exploration play
- facilities eg mud kitchen (could be done for free!) rather than just physical play
- Toilets at all time, more cafe opening, improved play area, some form of shelter, perhaps space where children's groups can run
- Toilets available all day every day, more organised activities for children
- Gym facilities or outdoor lido
- Skate park, zip wire, water fountains for children in the summer. More tables around the park.
- Would love more fitness groups. Also activities for little kids like group bike rides. It would be amazing if more facilities could be added to play area.
- Toilets accessible any time.

- I would like the rose gardens returned.
- Boules, Kids splash area
- Drinking Water fountain
- A bandstand
- Better play equipment for older children e.g. zip wire, netted swing etc.
- Some form of lighting?
- More picnic benches would be handy.
- The cafe to be open longer hours, including after school so you can bring the kids for a treat - till 4pm is no good during the spring / summer seasons.
- More events - maybe a family Sunday- get local businesses involved.
- Maybe even a makers market type thing.
- Bouncy traps/trampolines in the playground like didsbury parkn dog and person. Eco toilets/porta-loos shade in the play area.
- More kids facilities

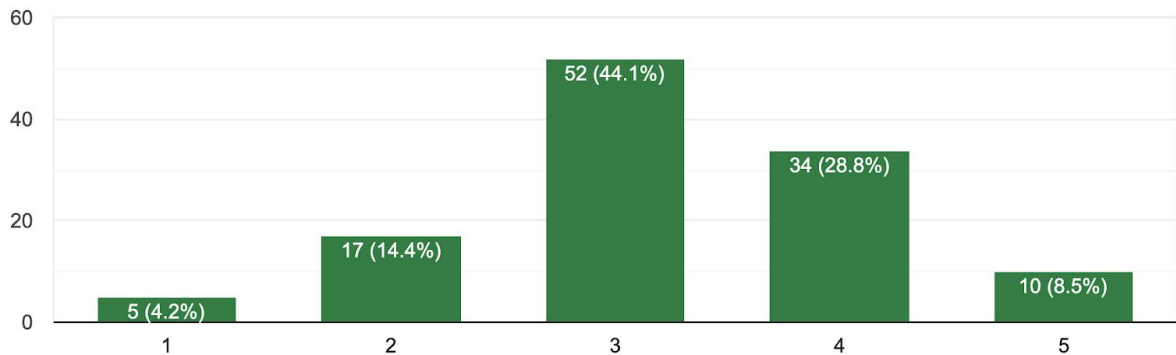
How satisfied are you with the parks facilities?

118 responses



How safe do you feel in the park?

118 responses



What can we do to improve park security? (75 responses)

- I think if there was a cafe and toilets open for more of the day then more people would use the park and this would mean that it was busier.
- Lighting
- Better lighting
- More lighting
- Lighting and security when dark
- I feel safe but I understand others (females and young children) have had issues - my wife included. Other than a park ranger but cost would be prohibitive.
- More regular patrols by police or park security to deter people doing daft things
- Lighting-especially for dark afternoons/early mornings. Park warden/ security phone numbers displayed around park/near entrances-easy access if needed- this might encourage people to report incidents/ undesirable behaviour quickly & deter . Ask for regular PSCO patrol through park. Cutting back hedges in obvious hiding areas eg little hidden circle on big field, shrubs between sports area and flooded circle-or even clearing lower branches so hiding areas are limited near most frequented pathways.
- . Educate -tell local schools (all ages) and local youth groups (boys brigade/ rainbows etc)what they CAN do in park-make young people want to keep our park great by them investing in it-give them an area to plant Or maintain/ provide after school organised or supervised activities
- Plug gaps in fences, have quicker park security response times
- Cctv
- More security and cctv
- Lighting, maybe use that paint that glows in the dark to mark the paths for night time running. Make it more secure by filling the gaps in the hedges.

- I'm not sure as I usually just use during the day when folk are around.
- Lights
- It feels safe, I have reported crimes to the police and park security as the Friends group keep saying that is the thing to do on the FaceBook pages.
- lightin
- More patrols, support from council
- More lighting?
- Security cameras?
- Make it more obvious who to call (eg. permanent signage). An ad hoc patrol, so a presence is seen eg high vis jackets labelled . Add some lighting. CCTV on the pavilion as a deterrent.
- Don't think it's necessary but equally I would never run there in the winter after dark as it's not well lit enough
- Lighting at night
- More regular park patrol
- Better gates
- Have more park wardens and also cafe open more days/hours
- Security patrols/cctv
- More park warden/pcso/police presence on a random but regular basis, especially after work/winter/darker months.
- Patrols, signs
- More police and that actually take action against crimes
- Plug the gaps in the fence, improve response times, ask the CC to be more responsive to crime in the park.
- Put police back on regular beat to have more of a visible presence. Make entrances/exits inaccessible to scooters/motorbikes.
- Don't know but some of stories of mugging a a really bad
- More lighting.
- More lighting
- More presence from security in evenings
- Lighting. It feels unsafe after 4pm in the winter
- Have proper gates that stop motorbikes
- Solar lighting at dusk, emergency numbers clearly posted around the park
- Not sure..security cameras
- Have a parkee patrolling the park
- Officers to respond to attacks or reports of undesirable behaviour
- Publicise the emergency phone number more prominently.
- Tackle off road bikes and dangerous dogs and irresponsible owners. Cut back some bushes.
- More patrols, more robust challenge if antisocial behaviour, better lighting
- patrols
- Yobs motorbike and theft are a big issue more presence of a park warden
- Wardens on Duty. You see them all the time at platt fields park. I would never go to the park after 4pm.

- Secure gates and fence so motorcycles can't get in
- Extra patrols
- Neighborhood forum meetings
- Close gates at night
- Bring back a parkie(warden)
- Gates on all entrances, patrols by park security/police.
- More lighting and patrol
- Have it patrolled more, stop mopeds/bikes coming into the field
- Better lighting - I will never use the park after dark
- Not sure
- Have patrols of the park, particularly dusk time when there are groups of youths opening smoking weed. Quite intimidating when you're a female walking dogs by yourself.
- Having better gates that stop motorbikes getting on
- Volunteer patrols if Council can't employ parkies.
- Answer the park security phone!
- Some lighting.
- Visible patrols?

Any general feedback about the park? (66 responses)

- We really appreciate the work the friends group does. We have two very small children so aren't able to volunteer to help at the moment but once the children are older we will be able to contribute more.
- Field where Tiger Wood is, looks awful. Having the field grow 'wild' looks a mess and makes those areas (which is most of it) unusable. You can't play sports on it, you can't sit on it, you can't walk through of because of all the dog poo which gets left there because the dog owners can't see it because the grass is so overgrown. What a waste of a field!
- It's great to see the support from the local community. A good example of Facebook.
- Love having the park on my doorstep, love all the great work of the friends group.
- The cafe is wonderful and such a great addition. We love For Heaven's Cake, they are lovely ladies with an excellent selection of food and drinks.
- Love Fog Lane park.... Some areas look unloved and overgrown. Disused changing rooms look scruffy-don't mind graffiti but why not involve local youth to graffiti/paint an area on outside which will look better. flooding of pathways needs to be addressed -people avoid it at certain times when pathways are inaccessible
- It is a great park I wish it would flood less.
- No all good
- If there is even the slightest downpour a lot of the pathways become flooded, this often means I do not use the park when I would like to as it spoils my run. It would be fantastic if something could be done to fix this, I am always so disappointed when I can't use the park as part of my route as it is so lovely!

- A beautiful space to walk and breathe!
- I like it, just wish more community events were available.
- A bit of a hidden gem.
- Love Fog Lane variety of environments
- I wish it would flood a bit less.
- The water bill n the duck pond looks incredibly polluted. Can anything be done to aerate it or increase the flow of water through
- Beautiful park!
- We love this beautiful park ♥
- In general, we love the park, but it feels a bit dangerous when it gets darker early in winter.
- More musical events? Theatre perhaps such as Shakespeare in the park?
- We love the park and use it several times a week. With a little one access to toilets every day with longer hours would be amazing. The drainage really needs to be sorted as much as possible, esp as the wetter months draw closer. The playground could do with some more TLC, totally refresh the rubber surfaces rather than simply patch, it's looking like a patch work quilt and lifting in places. Also to make the play ground secure. The gates are great, but only effective when actually shut!!!! So self closing would be great.
- We really love it. Would be lovely if there could' be more events there. Love the idea of the forest school but takes place in middle of nap time for most toddlers I think.
- Great park, plenty of benches for a rest and good for dog walking
- Lovely park visited since I was a small child, it used to be amazing with the animals and seemed so much cleaner than it is now.
- Definitely needs more wardens i wont let my son bring his bike due to theft and definitely need cafe open on sundays
- I love it! Only negatives are the flooding when it rains and sometimes feeling slightly unsafe if there is no one else around.
- It's generally great with the exception of antisocial behaviour.
- Wondering if pond is groundwater or surfwce fed. Water quality in pinds could be improved for wildlife. Apple trees have rubber bands in trunk restricting sap flow.
- I love the park, I did not realise the Cafe is a private venture or I would of been a bit more honest about how bad the drinks have been.
- Keeps flooding! Can anything be done?
- The pathways on the south west side of the park need resurfacing
- Still see quite a bit of dog muck
- Some parts of the park are very dark. Anti social behaviour is rife in the park. Plus too many dog walkers continue to let there dogs roam off there leads.
- I love the way the park is being used these days, more families, dog walkers, children, picnics etc
- Get musicians to play like what Didsbury park used to have running every Friday 6-9.
- some clear information about what is available at the park near the entrances. e.g. cafe opening times, map - with bird hide, pond etc info
- Excellent park, so lucky to have on my doorstep
- Great to see the support and recent improvements. A positive for social media!

- Lovely park but ruined by gangs of scary youths and dig pio
- A seperate dog run would be great
- It's a lot better since Alice has been running things!
- The drainage of the park needs sorting out, the duck pond has been inaccessible for at least a fortnight and bits of the park only accessible if you are wearing wellies
- I love how it's improved Since moving to our house 7 years ago and since we have had young children (toilet is very very welcome!) . Hope to see it Continue.
- Doesn't feel very safe even in the day time
- It is a beautiful slightly rugged open space that I adore. Security issues go hand in hand with being an open space that is difficult to police. There is a wider concern around anti social behavior and low level crime in the area and the park lends itself well as an easy place to commit crime. It's unfortunate but this is an issue that has been neglected by PCSOs, police and the council. Didsbury councillors have failed to communicate their intentions when it comes to anti social behaviour
- Glad to have option of toilets sometimes with cafe building, would be good if open after school as closed at four
- Pavilion is a huge asset, but needs to be open more often and for longer. It also should benefit the park rather than a private business i.e. profits go back into improving the park.
- Lovely park do miss the animals they used to have years ago
- Some of the paths are very uneven, and a trip hazard for young and old
- Better upkeep of the grass areas, ie: mowing and general maintenance
- It is lovely
- Some of the paths could do with repairing.
- It use to be a lovely park with flower garden and a petting zoo but all that has gone now. What would be nice where the farm was could we have a grow garden where people can help and the fruit and veg sold or given to local charities
- Need to sort out the drainage, the flooding is really bad
- It's a great asset to the community and the volunteers are to be congratulated on their efforts.
- Field Fog Lane / Sussex Ave end to have the entire grass mown. At the moment, with its 'wild' look, it's just a waste of space. You can't play sports on it, or play generally or have a picnic (other than the small area near the duck pond). You lose sight of small dogs when it's quite long and it's quite difficult to find the dog poo to pick up. It doesn't look nice, just unkempt and is just such a waste of a lovely space.
- Used to use almost every day but have moved away, but will still come when we can as we love it. Best park in Manchester
- Drainage needs improvement after rain

What events would you like to see in the park in the future? (60 responses)

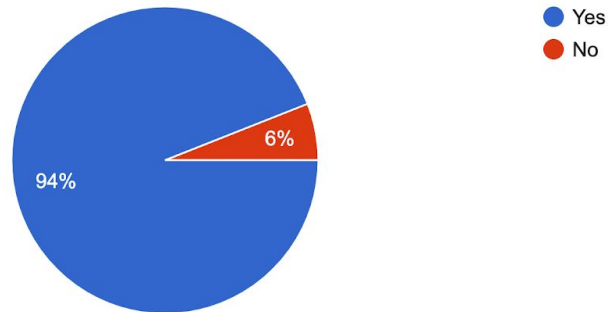
- I think it would be fabulous if we could attract a personal trainer to do a postnatal buggy course in the park. I currently travel to Longford park in Chorlton to do this and at each session there are around 20 mums. Afterwards around half of these have a coffee/cake in the cafe. Perhaps the cafe could offer a discount at first to encourage this. I am sure that similar groups could also exist for other groups within the community.
- Summer family fun day.
- Some kind of Christmas event, maybe with Father Christmas. (They did this a few years ago, only small with Father Christmas and a tombola, but it was lovely).
- Maybe an artisan market. They're really popular.
- I'm sure local businesses would love to get involved with events too, whether it's to have a stall at an event or offer a raffle prize.
- Perhaps some entertainment on a Sunday afternoon in the summer. Brass band?
- Screen on the green
- Calendar of organised events -look at what other local parks do....summer fair, egg hunt, Christmas songs, teddy bear picnic, sporting events which other parks don't offer-frisbee/ kites/ baseball-etc not just football at weekends.
- Bowling? Does anyone actually use the bowling green? -the area looks like a prison and is never open. How about organised/commercial arts events -outdoor theatre (like Didsbury park)
- Sort out flooded circle area-used to be a bandstand-it would be lovely to have an area (maybe away from local houses) where we could listen to / practice live music or singing-maybe near pavilion ?
- No sure, films in the park, pop up market, food festival, fireworks
- Family and community events
- More fair rides
- Book Club, better use of the buildings, feel like there is a distinct lack of community spirit and activities that are not just aimed at children.
- Things for all ages and for local groups to get involved with like fairs
- Poetry workshops, writing workshops, circus skills workshop, something for my teenagers to enjoy.
- Proms in the park
- festival
- Christmas lights switch on
- Music...musicians...
- More family friendly events please.
- Music at the cafe, more forest school, fireworks night for younger children
- Dog events- dog shows and organised get together for dog breeds to get dog walkers who don't usually visit the park to come for a day out
- Cafe? Animal corner back

- The fair again as it was good
- Anything for toddlers/small children to enable local families to make friends.
- Dog show/ festivals/ arts events /community classes and workshops
- Music/gigs, social groups, workshops, pop up events, common interests groups hiring out pavilion?
- Dog owners cleaning dodo from where they fling it in trees
- Community events, fairs, cycle events
- Concerts, more activities for kids
- Film viewings, maybe a licensed event like a beer festival or something, food festival, kite flying, Easter hunt, nature walks.
- Outdoor theatre. Youthclub. Nature walks, mindfulness walks.
- Dog meets..
- I'd love to see the makers market and some music.....picnic family events
- See answer about- bands, buskers, bands etc
- Sunday afternoon entertainment. Brass band etc.
- Exercise club. Yoga groups. Walking groups.
- Park run and junior park run, more exercise groups at night
- family events on days other than Saturday
- More fairs/halloween / christmas etc events
- No fireworks! More fairs, nature trails, an artisan market in the walkway, maybe plays like at fletcher moss.
- Fireworks and bonfire, food and drink festivals
- Santa run? Activities for kids based around seasonal events.
- Allotment, veg growing courses
- Loved the fair
- Orienteering, more events for kids, youth group for teenagers
- More community events, family events, outdoor cinema, fun days
- Anything for children
- When I was young a fun fair would come once a year and they also had a firework display which I think a lot of people would prefer then people might not have them going off all the time if they knew there was one they could go to
- outdoor theatre, music concerts
- Bonfire night or other seasonal community celebrated festivals.
- Occasional concerts. But generally prefer the peace and quiet.
- Family fun day.
- Makers market type thing, especially at Christmas.
- Firework display for bonfire night.
- Visit from Father Christmas event with maybe a tombola and a raffle (get local businesses and residents involved).
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- Christmas events, music/concerts for local groups/local groups (dance, choirs etc demo sessions/performance).
- Family events

The Café in the Park

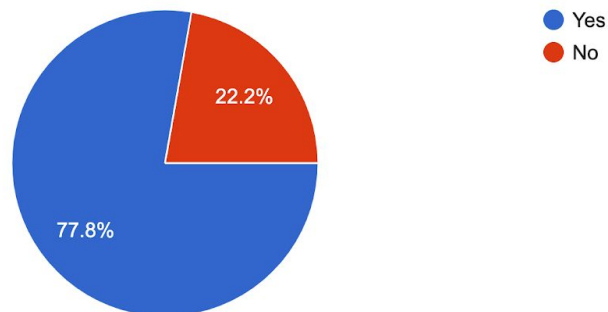
Do you know there is a café in the pavilion?

117 responses



Have you visited the park café?

117 responses



If you have not visited the café why? (21 responses)

- It wasn't open when I went to try it.
- Keep missing opening hours
- Always shut when I want to go.
- Haven't got round to it yet
- Didn't know
- I was not sure how to find it.
- Opening times don't suit
- A friend of mine visited and said the coffee was from a machine and overpriced. It hasn't inspired me to visit. I would definitely visit on a regular basis if I knew it was a nice place to go

- I'm always dog walking. Would visit another time though
- I didn't know there was a cafe
- No time
- Not open on Sundays that's our only day we can visit
- Not needed
- Never open when I'm there
- It's only open on certain days
- Opening times
- I only visit fog lane to exercise
- Never have purse with me
- It was not open on the day I visited.
- I always have multiple dogs with me
- Never knew it was there.

If you have visited the café what for? (81 responses)

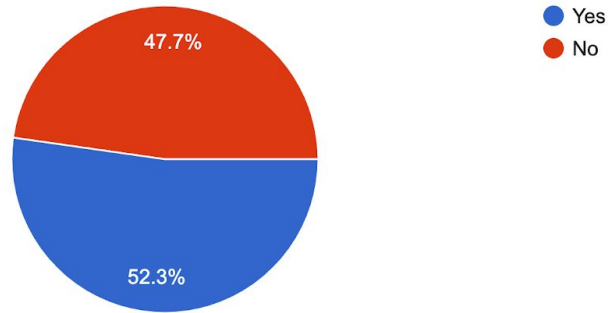
- Coffee and lunch whilst with 3 year old.
- Coffee
- Coffee
- Treat for the kids.
- Tea and cake
- Lunch/coffee
- Drinks
- Sweets, toys, toilet
- Lunch and toys for kids to play with
- Tea and snacks
- Coffee, cake, hot food, dog treats
- Lunch, tea and cake, children's cake decorating
- Drink, cake and meet friend.
- Toilets, and a disappointing cake.
- Food
- Bru
- Coffee, cake and to sit in the sun and chat at the end of a dog walk
- Went with family for lunch, it was boring and the choices were bad, in the future I will stick with Didsbury Parks Café.
- CAKE of course !!! Plus relaxation after walking there and exploring the rest of the park. I love all the kids activity stuff though so mothers can chill a bit while there kids are occupied.
- Refreshments and activities
- Food and to use the toilets

- Food and drinks, ice cream
- Coffee and cake
- Lunch, cake and coffee, to buy duck food, to use the facilities.
- Lunch
- Hot drinks
- Coffee and cake
- For a snack or hot drink
- Toilet, coffee/kids snack
- Drinks and toilet facilities
- Coffee and cake, toilets
- Tea, lunch
- Refreshments
- Drinks and toilet
- Water for dog
- I don't carry money with me to the park and then remember when it's too late, I've been in for tea and cake, would be nice to see more of an outdoor area to eat and drink
- Coffee, cake
- Cake and to use the toilet
- Lunch and coffee
- A brew and a cake
- Cakes / barns and drinks
- Just a drink as there is no vegan food and I am vegan
- Coffee, lunch and used the toys available
- Lunch, refreshments, toilet, duck food.
- Tea, cake
- cake and coffee
- Catching up with friends, place to take kids, coffee and a cake
- Snacks lunch toilets
- Food (obviously), but its brilliant for small children.
- Drinks, cakes and toast/crumpets. To get in out of the rain, for kids to play, to meet friends
- Quick coffee/cake
- Refreshments and cakes
- Coffee. Kids food. Ice cream
- Coffee - support local business
- Drinks
- A slice of cake
- quick coffee
- Lunch time snak with children and nappy changing facility.
- Tea and cake
- Meet friends for refreshments
- On own for refreshments
- Cake, to meet friends, to entertain child
- Meeting friends

- Food

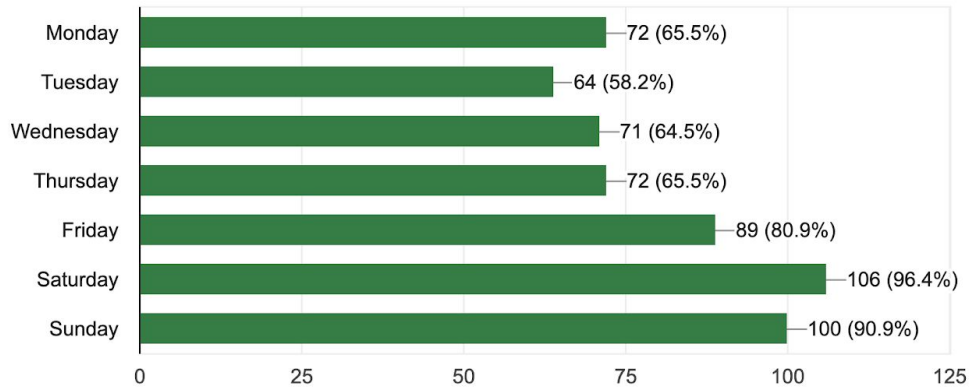
Has the addition of the café increased how often you visit the park?

111 responses



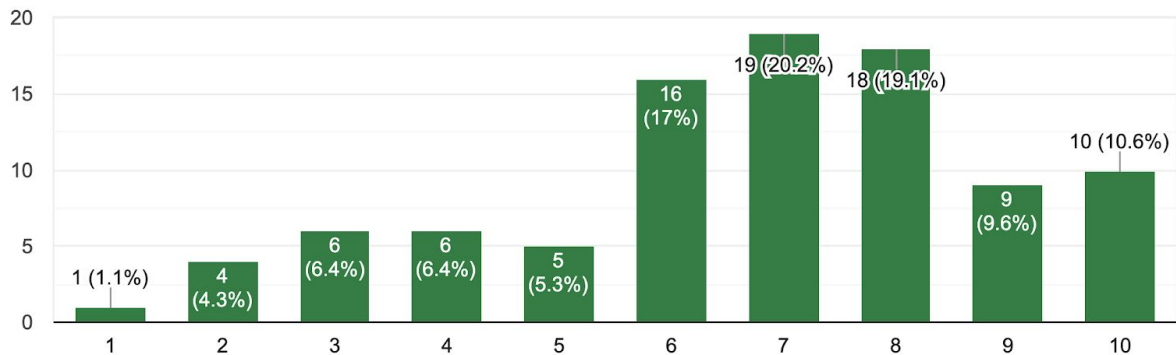
What days would you like the café to be open?

110 responses



How would you rate the current Café in the Park?

94 responses



How would you change the café? (68 responses)

- buggies. Would be good to develop area facing tennis courts-people would sit and watch and have a drink. Market and make people want to go into cafe eg Daily offers. Organised events in cafe to bring people into the cafe/park. Let local groups know about the space- I assume the building belongs to the council and is therefore for community use or does the cafe business own the building? Local groups eg knitting group/dominoes/ toddler group/ WI/ Photographers/birdwatchers/speakers/book club might want to meet up there. Offer to hire out space for children's party/ offer free WiFi so people can work as they enjoy a coffee. Isn't there a pool table in there? Holding 'friends of fog lane' meetings in the cafe-it would get people in! Option to hire space in evening (In summer)for groups/ meetings etOpen more days and for longer. Better signposting and information. You can't tell it's open when you walk past at the moment.
- Make the opening hours more beneficial and sociable to families. It's shut by the time school finishes which is a big reason why I've only visited once! Many parents go to the other local park cafes after school as this one is closed by 4pm or (2pm at the moment). Sunday is also a big family day, even if for shorter hours. Needs to be open every day through the summer and spring holidays.
- Open more often
- It's good as it is.
- Improve quality/variety of the food and make it more community oriented
- Longer hours, consistent opening times, keep things in stock, basic marketing, paint CAFE huge on the end, flyer local area.
- I wouldn't! It's perfect.

- Opening times-so many wasted opportunities-early morning /after school times
-commuters who cut through park on way to work/train, school run parents, toddler groups, specific events , kids and parents calling after school, Sunday-lots of people in the park but no loos or cafe open! Other parks do this really well (Longford park) Better signs/marketing on entrances/outside building.-menu and prices available outside either on a board or small menus-people don't know what is inside. Entrance isn't easy because of ramp being so close to bowling zone, not really anywhere to park c Lighting outside would be great. Covered area would be useful/especially for parents waiting for football kids.
- Be open more serve drinks I am happy with, and have vegan options.
- Food is awful
- Should have proper outdoor space/terrace, nicer inner decoration. Not very welcoming
- Bigger and more food options
- Open a little later in the Summer
- Have good coffee, have better choices that don't feel like a rip off compared to other options in the area like Didsbury Park.
- Ideally for them to have more room. They have a very small kitchen. Plus, although I really appreciate the kids space there is it would be nice to have quiet indoor space in winter weather to be able to sit quietly if wanted.
- Early opening for coffee (and pastries!)
- Open more often
- Be open more and have better coffee.
- Open longer, more dairy free children's options
- Expand menu...add music
- Open more days ESPECIALLY over the weekend. Shut later so you can utilise it more later afternoon/early evening. We are fairly local so although the cafe hasn't increased the amount we visit it has the duration, as we can now play, eat and continue to play. Also in the less clement weather nappy changes are possible due to its opening.
- Longer opening hours, looks more open from outside, needs more signage so people know it's there and when open not just where door is as still looks like a closed down building from the back. Real coffee machine, bit better menu options - food there is great but could be built upon - Dids park cafe very simple but has a lot of meal deal and kids meal deal options but number of ingredients isn't too high so could be workable here as well. We did really enjoy going there. What we are was great, staff were lovely and nice vibe about it plus it's been longed for to have somewhere there for years. Fingers crossed it stays!
- Make it a proper cafe that people make a journey to go to. Somewhere cozy to go and sit in winter. It should be dog friendly
- Extend the opening hours or provide a hot drink vending machine on the exterior
- Open more days
- Even better if it was open every day.
- Open early 10am is too late
- No events, workshops or community events would like to see more of these. Boho utopia cafe in Withington do art classes, mindfulness events, music, craft fairs ect

- Needs more food options and possibly better quality choices for the price. They've done a good job at launching from scratch but it does feel a bit amateur/below par for the area. Food is more like v basic basic caff food yet the prices don't reflect that. I know the licence doesn't allow them to cook (eg eggs) so there are restrictions but it's been a v long time since I was serviced a bacon sandwich on bog standard no frills white bread without being given any other options!
- Be realistic about pricing for watery coffee, I would really like them to embrace the possibilities of providing better service, it has felt very much like they are building their cake selling business and not focused on the feedback they have been given regarding food quality/choices. I find it hard to get there when they are open as I have two kids in schools and also think they are a little overpriced. Why are there no meal deals, and there should be a kids menu.
- Cafe itself is ok as it is. The space could be used as a base for more activities in the evening if there was adequate security in place to prevent it becoming a magnet for anti social / threatening behaviour which unfortunately seems to have increased lately.
- Accessible bathroom (I know it thinks it has one, it doesn't)
- I like it. It just needs time for us to use it more. The weather has been really poor this summer which has not helped
- Make it bigger.
- Some professional investment in the form of a refurb
- More of an outdoor eating and drinking area, proper coffee machine otherwise it's great!
- More seating area, expand menu
- Parasol's for outdoor seating in summer
- Open at weekends.
- Better coffee and opening hours
- More days open
- More to the menu
- It would have a more imaginative and inclusive menu (inc vegan adult and children's options), it would be open daily and for longer hours
- Increase opening hours. I think the cafe is fab, the food is delicious and really well priced. Loads of toys provided and good quality highchairs
- More outdoor space in summer!
- Improved pricing and quality of products on offer
- Friendlier service from staff
- Increased opening hours
- The offer of community events
- Improved communication and advertising
- Better hours, a few more healthy options, community facility
- Better coffee, perhaps some comfy seating in addition to the tables and chairs... I've never seen it full, and if there were a sofa or 2 may stay for longer
- Open more often and for longer hours, more variety of foods, bigger kids menu (hor food available such as chicken nuggets, chips etc. Cakes suitable for dietary requirements like gluten free and dairy free.

- It's quite expensive and I think that a percentage of earnings should go back into the park . The children's cake decorating activity was also expensive and nothing that can't be done more cheaply at home
- Have a licensed bar for special occasions. As they do in didsbury park
- Proper coffee machine
- Open more days. Would also be nice if it was a family friendly wine bar in the summer months.
- To be open on a Sunday
- Can't answer that as I never knew it was there
- Spruce up the outside - get some street artists to paint it (see northern quarter). Create outdoor seating area for summer
- Better coffee and need to change stock when stale, can't just keep putting same cakes out, until they're sold. I may have become a regular but feedback was not acted on. Shame
- The hours aren't very friendly. Needs to be open until about 5pm (spring & summer seasons) to catch the after school parents. A lot who live round this park go to Didsbury Park to have a chat & a cup of tea & cake whilst the kids play. 4pm close is too early for parents to do that at Fog Lane pavillion. Need to be open on a Sunday and have longer opening hours at the weekend. That's when families mostly have more time to go.
- Better soft drinks
- Longer opening hours and weekend opening