



THE PARKS & GREEN SPACES ALL-PARTY PARLIAMENTARY GROUP

Clive Betts MP
Chair
Housing, Communities and Local Government Select Committee
House of Commons London
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Dear Clive,

Re: Future of Public Parks Inquiry

I am writing to you today on behalf of the Parks & Green Spaces APPG (“the APPG”), for which I am the Chair.

First and foremost, I wish to thank you for attending our meeting on 8 July 2021. It was immensely helpful for key stakeholders to engage in dialogue with you about the Select Committee’s inquiry, the substantial problems that are still facing parks and green spaces, and the urgent need for funding.

At the meeting, you suggested that it would be useful for your Committee to reconvene to hear from organisations who previously gave evidence, in order to assess what has changed since the inquiry and where things are still failing or going backwards rather than forwards.

I strongly agree that this would be the best way to proceed in order to address the critical state of our parks. It would also be an opportunity to hold the government to account in respect of the commitments it made as a result of your Committee’s inquiry.

Therefore I wish to formally request that you Committee proceed as you suggested. I also wish to thank you again for your support of the APPG and for your assistance raising the profile of this vitally important service in parliament.

Yours sincerely

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