

Boosting Christian Fields and nearby green areas



Help shape improvements to Eastern Avenue open space Part of the wider project to enhance Christian Fields

We're continuing our work to improve Christian Fields and nearby green spaces – making them more welcoming, accessible and better protected for everyone. **As part of this, we're looking at making improvements to Eastern Avenue open space and asking for your views by Sunday 14 June at midnight, which will help to protect the new nature reserve areas into the future – find out more at www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/minireserves**

Why are we looking at this area?

- Eastern Avenue open space is a valued local green space - used for walking, enjoying nature and connecting with nearby areas like the leisure centre.
- Recently, the area has also become a regular spot for quad bikes and e-bikes, leading to damage to the ground and concerns about safety.
- We now have a small pot of district council funding, alongside a voluntary contribution from a local company, which gives us an opportunity to make some targeted improvements.

What are we trying to do?

- Protect the space from damage caused by unauthorised vehicles.
- Keep it welcoming and accessible for everyone.
- Make entrances clearer and safer to use.
- Support the wider vision for Christian Fields as a place for walking, play and nature.

Proposed improvements - what do you think?

We're asking for your views on the following ideas - see map overleaf:

Create a clearer main entrance

- New steps opposite Lichfield Leisure Centre onto the site.
- A small fence to discourage bike access.
- Clear signage showing the accessible entrance via St Mary's Road.

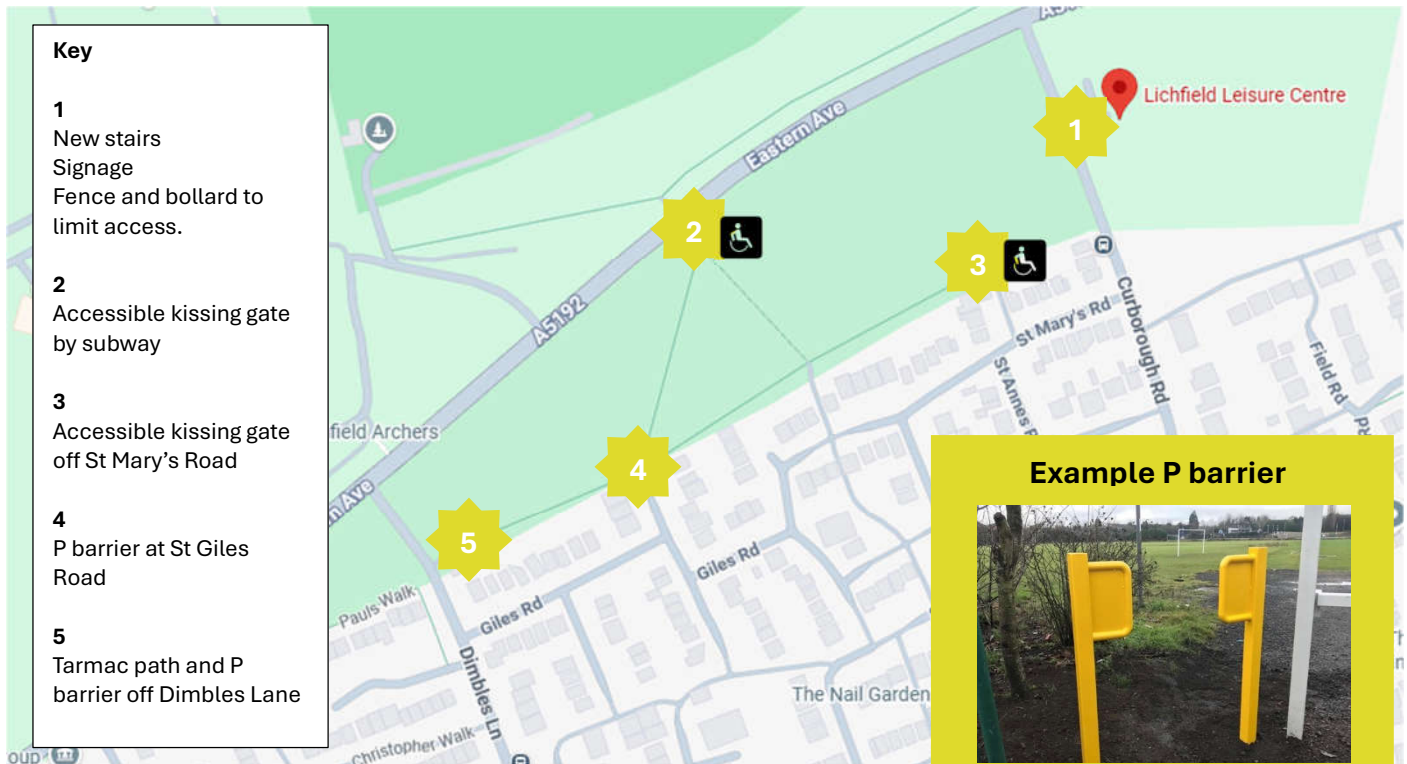
Install accessible kissing gates (RADAR key) at:

- St Mary's Road entrance.
- Subway entrance to the wider Christian Fields site.

Tackle informal access points

- Close the informal entrance on Curborough Road with a bollard.
- Install a P barrier at Giles Road (pushchairs will still be able to get through).
- Tarmac the path off Dimbles Lane and add a P barrier (again allowing pushchairs).

Map



Working together

These smaller improvements are just one part of the bigger ambition to enhance Christian Fields - creating a space where:

- more people can be active.
- more people can connect with nature.
- more people feel welcome.

Your voice matters

We want to make sure any changes strike the right balance. Please tell us:

- Do these proposals feel right for the space?
- Will they help make it feel safer and better cared for?
- Do they work for everyone who uses the site, including people with mobility needs?
- Is there anything we've missed?

Please help us by giving your views at:

www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/christianfields



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