



## Development 2011-12

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## Funding & Conditions

- **£475,000** Strategic Green Infrastructure (GI) Fund
  - Improve the green corridor
  - Help regeneration
- **£93,000** Department of Transport/SUSTANS
  - 'Safer routes to schools' fund.
- **£80,000** S106 development contributions
  - Play equipment

**TOTAL: £648,000**



## Public Consultation

### Phases:

- Feasibility study
- Concept design
- Detailed design

### Methods:

- Community meetings in schools
- Ward committee meetings
- Interviews
- Web site consultation page

### Headline Findings:

Through extensive community engagement it was clear that unwelcoming entrances, unsafe overgrown areas, crime and anti-social behaviour, a lack of facilities were of key concern to the public – Not well used or well loved!



## Design Guidance

### Considerations

- Public Consultation
- Stakeholder engagement
- Technical appraisals
- Funding conditions

### Objectives:

- Give the park a strong identity as a 'waterpark'
- Removal of vegetation that causes the park to feel dark and unsafe
- Improve and upgrade 3 entrances to help invite people into the park
- Planting of trees, hedges and bulbs to make the park more attractive and compensate for the clearance of unwanted habitat
- Better signage
- New toddlers play area
- Enhanced freecycle facility
- High quality new path work, lighting
- High quality CCTV cameras



## Embankment



## Main Entrance



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### Free-ride track



### New path & lighting



### St Augustine's Entrance



### Tudor Road Entrance



### Children's play area



## River Clearance



## Furniture



## Planting



## Kirby & West Graffiti



## CCTV



## Crime Statistics

	2010				2011				2012	
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	1st	2nd
<b>Assaults</b>	3	1	1	2	1	2	1	0	0	0
<b>Robberies</b>	5	1	4	1	4	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Sexual Offences</b>	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0
<b>Thefts</b>	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	1
<b>Disorder</b>	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	0
<b>Drugs</b>	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
	8	4	7	6	6	10	1	3	3	1



## And also....

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- Over 200 hours of volunteers community work to help clear the water
- Horticulture students used for wild flower planting project
- Over 300 hours painting and work opportunities for adults with learning difficulties
- 50 young people involved in the design of freeride track
- Leicester Freeriders provide bikes and skills training to 100 family members at the freeride cycle facility launch

