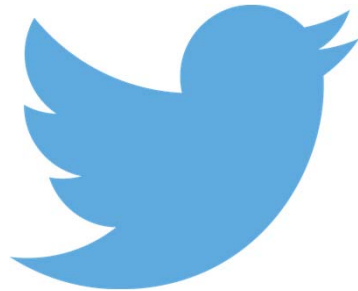




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The Changing Face of Parks and Local Greenspaces



The **BIG** questions

- Is the Victorian model dead?
- What is the role of our parks in a multi-cultural and environmentally challenged world?
- Can we afford to provide parks? **£39 million levelling up fund**
- Income generation- is there a danger of pricing people out?
- Are volunteers the answer?
- Can we cope with increasing visitor numbers?
- Are there enough parks and greenspaces?
- Do we have a sustainable and suitably trained parks workforce?
- How will climate change affect our parks?
- How safe is the future for our parks?
- The need for information/data e.g. **visitor counters**

Other considerations

- Providing a safe refuge COVID experience - increased expectations but is there any support?
- Meeting the needs of climate emergency plans – tree planting.
- Making space for biodiversity
- Rewilding – is it an option?
- Peat-free parks/No to glyphosate.
- Managing ASB
- Protecting/increasing greenspace and parks budgets
- Sharing the costs with other beneficiaries
- New technology – battery powered GM equipment.
- Developing new green spaces **Biodiversity Net Gain**



DISCUSSION

- **Your experiences**
- **Your suggestions**
 - **APSE support**

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