

FAQs - Clitterhouse Playing Fields works

What is happening at Clitterhouse Playing Fields?

Clitterhouse Playing Fields are at the heart of our vision for our new park town, a 44 -acre park that will offer local people new inclusive, accessible spaces for relaxation, nature, as well as providing new facilities for sport and play.

What new facilities will the playing fields include?

The first phase of works will deliver:

- A multi-purpose lawn and natural amphitheatre
- Netball/tennis court and basketball court
- All-wheel park and table tennis tables
- Outdoor gym and workout zones
- New walking/cycle paths and accessible routes
- New play areas and picnic spaces
- 350 new trees and nine acres of wildflowers will also be planted to improve biodiversity.

How long will construction take?

Construction of the northern part of the playing fields begins in April 2026, with the main works expected to be completed by February 2027 and all new facilities open to residents by April 2027. You can take a look at the full [works programme here](#).

Will the playing fields remain open during construction?

While works take place and to allow plants to establish, we will need to restrict access through the northern area of the playing fields. The southern part of the playing fields will remain open, although there will be new access routes signposted.

Which entrances are being closed?

Some entrances and paths must be temporarily closed to ensure safety during construction. The gate entrance nearest to Brent Cross Town will be closed, with a diverted footpath route in place so that playing field users can access the fields via Prayle Grove.

The Purbeck Drive entrance will also be closed towards the end of September for six weeks while improvements work take place. Diverted footpath routes will be available via Cotswold Gardens and then either Hendon Way or Claremont Road for both sides of the fields. These works are expected to be complete by November 2026.

How will noise be managed?

Construction has been designed to minimise disruption. If you are experiencing any issues with the noise, please email transformingbx@barnet.gov.uk

Who is carrying out the works?

The contractor is Galldris Group, working on behalf of Brent Cross Town.

What are the working hours?

- Monday to Friday: 8am to 6pm
- Saturday: 8am to 1pm

Why are the trees being removed at Clitterhouse Playing Fields?

An ecological survey carried out by arboriculture consultants identified seven trees located at the northern end of the site as being diseased and in poor conditions. On health and safety grounds, these trees are required to be removed, regardless of the park improvement works. Additionally, one small tree at Swannell Way has planning consent for removal to enable this phase of planned works. However, 137 new trees are being planted in this phase, in Clitterhouse Playing Fields.

What environmental improvements are included?

The plans improve biodiversity through extensive tree and wildflower planting, enhancements to habitats and landscape design, and improved lighting and access that balance safety with environmental sensitivity.

When will the construction of the other sections of Clitterhouse Playing Fields happen?

There is currently no confirmed timeframe to deliver the second phase of the programme (on the southern part of the fields). However, they are not expected to begin until after 2027. More details on this will be shared as soon as we know.

What do I do if I have a problem?

If you have any issues regarding the works, here are some options for you to contact the team:

- If you have any questions about the works, please email transformingbx@barnet.gov.uk
- For any estate emergencies or out of office hours assistance, please contact the 24hr security hotline on 07918 986020.
- The Visitor Pavilion is open every day from 10am to 6pm, and the team are always available to have a chat.