

An idea that is slowly becoming real

In early 2000, a local resident had the idea of opening Catton Park to the residents of Catton, Fiddlewood and Catton Grove. He approached the landowners and a Steering Group was set up made up of the land owners, local residents and representatives from Norwich City Council, Broadland District Council, Norfolk County Council and Old Catton Parish Council.

Discussions in 2002 with Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) lead to a application to the HLF's Public Parks Initiative for a grant to enable a Conservation Management Plan to be prepared.

Work began on the management plan early this year. This included researching the history of the park, looking at how it is used now and how it could be used in the future, examining the condition of the trees and woodland areas, and addressing issues of access, safety and security.

There were several public events - perhaps you came to one - where local residents were asked what they would like to see and do in the park using exhibitions and questionnaires.

With the Steering Group, the consultants have examined the results of the public consultation and prepared a Conservation Management Plan. The plan overleaf reflects the views and desires of local residents.

If the Heritage Lottery Fund approves the plan, they may provide most of the funding for the enhancement and conservation works.



If you would like this document in large print, audio, Braille, alternative

format or in a different language please contact Judith Cantell on 01603 227698 minicom 01603 223833.

Funding the Conservation Management Plan

The Heritage Lottery Fund's Public Parks Initiative is aimed at:

- conserving and improving urban parks in England
- involving more people
- improving access to our heritage



Who was Humphry Repton?

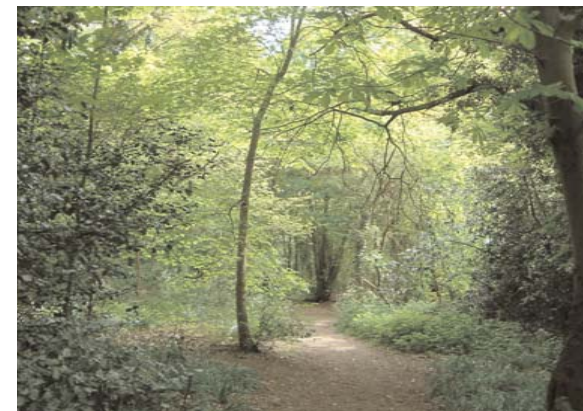
Humphrey Repton was born in 1752 in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, and is regarded as one of the worlds most famous landscape gardeners.

At Catton, Repton used clever arrangements of trees and shrubs to make the park seem larger than it really was, creating views to neighbouring fields and pastures as though they belonged to the Catton Hall estate, and to the city beyond.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can send your comments to Patricia Shears at

The Landscape Partnership, Ancient House Mews, Church Street, Woodbridge, Suffolk, IP12 1DH

Catton Park



Conservation Management Plan

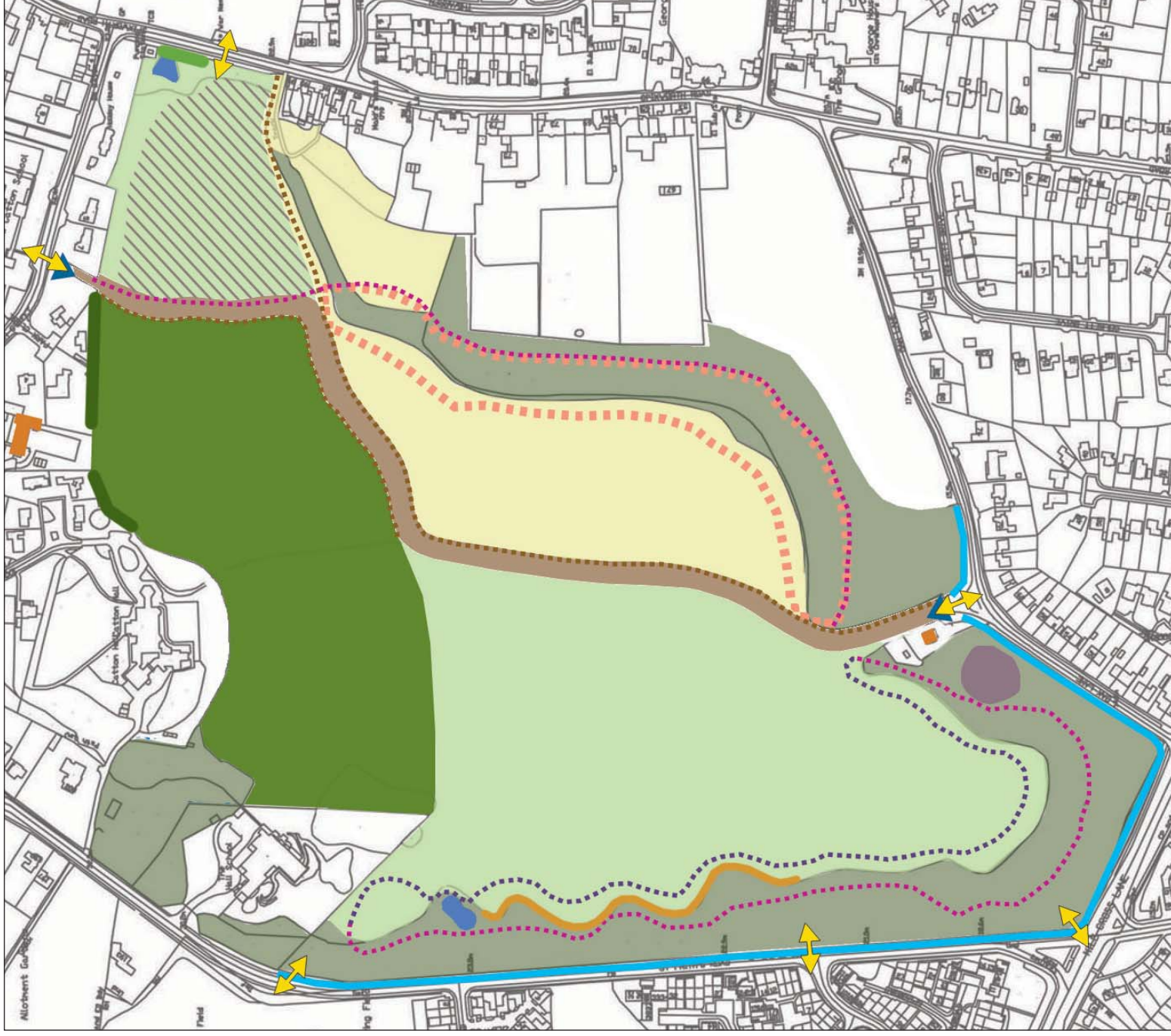
You are invited to a public meeting on

**Monday 8th December at 7pm at
St. Margaret's Church Hall,
Blacksmiths Way, Old Catton**

to learn more about the proposals and comment on them before they are submitted to the Heritage Lottery Fund.





















Why is Catton Park important?

- it is a private park, now being offered to local people for quiet recreation and enjoyment
- it is a pleasant area of woodland and grassland in which to walk and enjoy nature
- it is of historic importance because it was Humphry Repton's first commission as a landscape gardener



Reproduced from the Ordnance Survey map with the permission of the controller of Her Majesty's Stationary Office. Licence number: AL 100002205. © CROWN COPYRIGHT.

Key

-  Proposed summer wildflower meadow
-  Existing woodland
-  Proposed open meadow
-  Proposed spring wildflower meadow / dog free zone
-  Proposed car parking for occasional events
-  Existing pit
-  Existing ponds
-  Proposed pedestrian and vehicle access
-  Proposed pedestrian access only
-  South Lodge
-  Orangery
-  Proposed recreation of hedge boundary
-  Resurfaced central track
-  Proposed woodland edge planting
-  Existing hedge
-  Proposed new hedge
-  1884 woodland paths to be retained / re-established
-  Proposed surfaced path set in from woodland edge
-  Proposed park paling fence
-  Proposed nature trail

Catton Park

Proposed draft Masterplan



October 2003

Scale 1:4000 @ A4

