

17-310 Fairhaven Lake:

Landscape Masterplan



Legend

- 1 Lake to be desilted to improve water quality and depth, to enable increased water based activities. Lake edge modified to allow for widened footpath to improve access and circulation for all.
- 2 Proposed Boat Storage Park for secure boat storage.
- 3 Car parks to be reconfigured as a part of Sea Defence Works.
- 4 The event lawns with proposed tree, shrub and ground cover planting to the perimeter.
- 5 Proposed Adventure Play Area - primary to teenagers age range.
- 6 Lawn areas for picnic benches and informal recreation and possible seasonal franchise.
- 7 Tennis Courts - improvements to grass and all weather courts, to achieve Lawn Tennis Association 'Beacon' standards.
- 8 Bowling Greens - retained and improved with two small shelters.
- 9 Existing vegetation managed and thinned with new appropriate planting to Mawson's free style.Vista to park recreated.
- 10 Treasure Island Forest School - accessible by boats only.
- 11 Japanese Garden - existing garden features shall be fully uncovered and restored to recreate Mawson's original design for the garden.
- 12 Mawson's look-out to allow sight out across both the park and estuary. New steps and paths required to achieve Access for All.
- 13 Sea defence work steps with wide coastal promenade, funded by Environment Agency.
- 14 Relocated adventure golf set within wider leisure activity core - developed by Fylde Borough Council.
- 15 Integrated seating for viewing for the restored swimming pool end of lake.
- 16 Winter wading bird roost on smaller eastern island.

Project Aims

- Repair and restoration of 'Fairhaven Lake and Gardens' as designed by Thomas Mawson & Sons, providing interpretation of its history, aesthetic and architectural importance.
- To protect, enhance, conserve and promote the natural and semi-natural habitats/ environments within the Fairhaven Lake and Ribble Estuary.
- To improve and enhance the connectivity of the pedestrian circulation, to enable Access for All, and to open up a complete path around the Lake.
- To improve and introduce new leisure, play, recreation, the RSPB Discovery Centre and other educational opportunities.
- To improve and enhance the overall public realm of the Lake, Gardens and seamlessly link to the new coastal defence scheme.
- To improve and enhance the educational and interpretation opportunities associated with Fairhaven Lake and Gardens, the adjacent Estuary and wider Fairhaven resort.
- To create a sustainable community asset which is attractive to both visitors and residents alike.
- To engage and empower local community groups to become more actively involved in the development, the management and maintenance of Fairhaven Lake and Gardens.
- To restore the park so it can be Registered by Historic England.

Objectives

- To repair and replant Thomas Mawson's Japanese Lagoon Garden- aspirationally reinstating Mawson's design.
- To improve and restore the broader landscape and public realm. This shall include reinstated footpath, planting and leisure opportunities.
- To develop and improve the water based activities for boating, sailing, canoeing and model boating on Fairhaven Lake.
- To develop and improve land based sports and recreation facilities- tennis, bowling, walking and children's play facilities.
- To improve the network of footpaths which will ensure safe Access for All by introducing new lakeside footpaths and improve the connections with the coastal path and National Cycle Way.
- Recreate open views across the Fairhaven Lake and Gardens, Granny's Bay and the Ribble Estuary.