

## Furzton Lake – Volunteer Guidance

Furzton Lake's open views make it a popular choice for joggers, cyclists and walkers. Created to act as a basin for floodwaters during rainy spells, the lake has matured into an easily accessible and peaceful oasis for local residents, office workers and wildlife.

### Reporting Issues

If on your patrols/walks you notice something on our land that you feel should be reported then please send it through to us, your reports are invaluable to the Community Rangers as they can only be in so many places at one time!

Below is a brief table to give you a guide on priority of incidents and landscape issues in the parks. This scale is a guide as to help you better understand what takes priority in the parks. This is so that if something of low priority you had reported through to us has not been dealt with by the next time you go around it is on the list but other incidents and landscape issues have taken precedence.

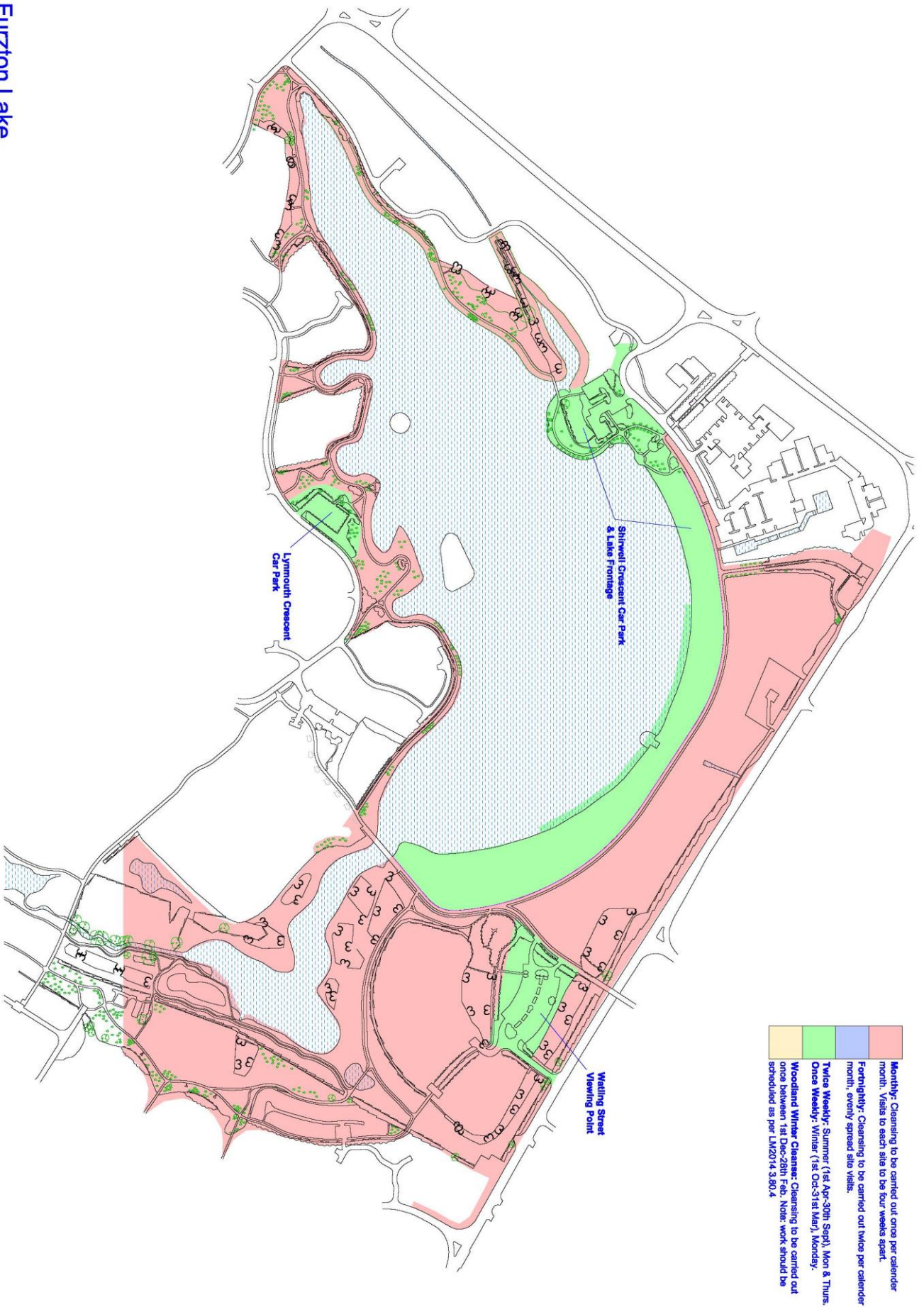
Higher Priority	Lower Priority
Fallen tree/branch over a path	Branch partially covering path
Collapsed Bridge	Vegetation grown partially over path
Damage to water safety furniture	Partial bridge side slats missing
Damage/Graffiti to notices/signs	Bench planks missing
Fly tipped waste	Small tree in river/lake
Chemical and polluting waste	Branch down next to but not on path
Fires (active)	Minor litter
Large tree in river/lake blocking drainage	Trolley in river
Grazing fencing damaged (animals present)	Fires (remnants/cold)
Severe damage to bird hides	Branch down in river
Attacks on livestock	Grazing fencing damaged (no animals present)
Injured livestock	Minor damage to bird hides

### Public Services

When should public services be contacted? The table below gives a guide on how to recognise when to contact the emergency services.

Incident	Example	Contact
Antisocial behaviour, criminal activity, and other illegal activity	Motorbikes on parkland, criminal damage (vandalism), drug use/dealing	999- Thames Valley Police (TVP) if incident in progress. 101 - TVP if after the event. The Parks Trust (after TVP has been contacted with a URN/CRN).
Unauthorised Encampments	Tents, Travellers	If tents; The Parks Trust. If travellers; Milton Keynes Council (01908 254569) then The Parks Trust.
Medical Emergency	Unconscious or injured park user	999 - Ambulance in first instance, then The Parks Trust (for records)
Attack on Livestock (ongoing)	Dog attacking sheep	999 - TVP if in progress. The Parks Trust if after the event or dead livestock found.

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- Monthly:** Cleaning to be carried out once per calendar month. Visits to each site to be four weeks apart.
- Fortnightly:** Cleaning to be carried out twice per calendar month, evenly spread site visits.
- Twice Weekly: Summer (1st Apr-30th Sept), Mon & Thurs.**
- Once Weekly: Winter (1st Oct-31st Mar), Monday.**
- Woodland Winter Cleanse:** Cleaning to be carried out once between 1st Dec-28th Feb. Note, work should be scheduled as per LM2014.3.80.2



## Emergency Contact Details

Who?	What?	When?
Emergency Services	999	If utmost urgency. I.e. someone unconscious, serious criminal activity.
Thames Valley Police Non-Emergency	101	Most instances, from motorbikes to drug use.
Duty Ranger Number	07770646583	Any incident in the parks
Parks Trust Main Office	01908 233600	If duty number not picking up after a couple of attempts.

## Emergency Vehicle Access

**Via car park off V4 opposite the National Bowl. MK5 8AA**

**Or as the road crosses the park at Dulverton Drive in Furzton off the V3. MK4 1LR**

**It will greatly assist the emergency services if someone can meet them at, and direct them from, the access point.**