

# Background

- 1996** The Green Flag Award® Scheme is launched in England
- 1997** The first Green Flag Awards® are presented to parks/green spaces in England and Wales. About 11 flags were awarded approx 20 judges
- 1998** Scheme starts to grow in popularity
- 1999/2000** The awards are managed by the Civic Trust
- 2002** The Green Flag Award® Scheme expands into Wales, with the backing of the Countryside Council for Wales.
- 2002** The Green Pennant Award® Scheme is launched in England and Wales.
- 2003** The Green Flag Award Steering Group gifts the scheme to the then Office of the Deputy Prime Minister. ( now Department for Communities & Local Government)
- 2003** The Green Heritage Site Accreditation is launched, with the support of English Heritage.
- 2007** The programme starts being piloted in Scotland in conjunction with Green Space Scotland.
- 2009** The Green Flag Plus Partnership, a consortium comprising Keep Britain Tidy, British Trust for Conservation Volunteers (BTCV) and GreenSpace, is awarded the contract to run the Green Flag Award Scheme

# Types of Awards

- Green Flag Park – Public Park
- Green Pennant award – Community Green Space
- Green Heritage Accreditation – Park with local or National historic importance

# Currently

- Managed by the Green Flag Plus partnership
- Approx 1300 entries this year
- 800 judges
- Mystery Shopping

# Future

- More Mystery shopping
- Green Flag Authorities
- No awards ceremony – raising of Flags
- 50% of all UK green space to Green Flag Standard by 2020
- World wide



# Examples



# Regents Park, London



# Carr Bank Park, Mansfield





# Newark Castle, Newark





# City of London Cemetery and Crematorium



# Lickey Hills Country Park, West Midlands





Evington  
Park  
Leicester

# Clifton Playing Fields, Nottingham



# Caldecott Park, Rugby

