

## Appendix 6

### Chronology of park development

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| 1886/7  | John Colbeldick, a speculative local developer, bought the site for housing development   |
| 1888    | Public pressure by Millicent Fawcett, Octavia Hill and others resulted in purchase of the land by the Metropolitan Board of Works under the Vauxhall Park Act 1888  |
| 1889    | Kyle Society paid for park to be laid out to design of Fanny Wilkinson, the Kyrle Society's landscape gardener  |
| 1890    | Park opened by the Prince of Wales<br>Metropolitan Public Gardens Association provided 10 seats, following letters of request from the Vauxhall Working Men's Committee and the Clerk to the Vestry   |
| 1891    | Henry Fawcett's House demolished.<br>Doulton drinking fountain installed as central feature in space designed by Fanny Wilkinson.   |
| 1893    | Statue of Henry Fawcett by George Tinworth unveiled by Archbishop of Canterbury on site of Fawcett's house  |
| 1894    | Henry Lloyd of Caterham provided the first children's playground along the park's eastern boundary.<br>Ordnance Survey suggests that park was laid out pretty faithfully to Fanny Wilkinson's design.   |
| 1914    | Ordnance Survey -<br>A bandstand has replaced the Doulton drinking fountain and the curved shape of the space made circular<br>A gymnasium has been laid out in the NE corner<br>A urinal has been installed at the E end of the central E/W path, area to SE enclosed by railings<br>Lavatories have been installed near the W boundary (1900)<br>Addition of Bowling Green and Tennis courts to Rose garden area resulting in straightening path to W.<br>Loss of loop path near NE entrance<br>Indication of more elaborate paths and beds around statue |
| 1930's  | Addition of model village, considerably more extensive and detailed than present survival.  |
| 1939/40 | Ordnance Survey –<br>Pavilion sited E of bowling green<br>Development of area E of bowling green (with frames and glasshouses?)<br>Urinal replaced by lavatory<br>Shelter S of playground on E boundary wall<br>Additional tennis courts between original courts and SW entrance (present location of courts)   |
| 1939/45 | Boundary railings removed for war effort<br>V1 flying bomb lands in bowling green area  |
| 1949/50 | Ordnance Survey –<br>Addition of theatre in enclosure in NE corner (present dog area)<br>N semi circular stub end to N/S path parallel to South Lambeth Road removed<br>Shrub beds in central area removed<br>Drinking fountain shown on eastern boundary of park with playground   |
| 1963    | Ordnance Survey –   |

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|      | <p>Additional building, railings and steps in theatre area<br/>         Bandstand and bandstand space removed, path straightened<br/>         Refreshment pavilion removed<br/>         Path from Fentiman Road straightened<br/>         Additional bowling green replaces tennis court<br/>         New building replaces lavatory at E end of E/W path<br/>         New glasshouses and coldframes<br/>         Fawcett statue and associated path removed<br/>         Area opposite SW entrance at path junction enclosed by railings</p> |
| 1965 | Children's toilet with mosaic erected in playground  |
| 1967 | Victoria line extension to Brixton appropriates N part of park for construction work   |
| 1975 | <p>Ordnance Survey –<br/>         Drinking fountain removed<br/>         Shelter reduced, removed?<br/>         Large new glasshouses and building added to E boundary<br/>         Toilets erected near SW entrance<br/>         Barriers installed at South Lambeth Road entrances<br/>         Area railed off near NW entrance<br/>         Path S of tennis courts straightened<br/>         Northern perimeter path realigned adjacent to boundary following Victoria line construction</p>  |
| 1993 | Proposals for play area include demolition of buildings to boundary, removal of greenhouses and all play equipment and paddling pool in NE corner; addition of curved path with seats, walls and pergolas, fountain, boundary planting, kickabout area (MUGA area) and play equipment for 8-14 year olds to north and other equipment in SW corner of enclosed space, E of path.   |
| 1998 | Vauxhall Conservation Area extended to encompass Vauxhall Park   |
| 2005 | Installation of train and picnic benches in children's area  |