Listed Parks & Gardens in St. Helens by Ward

Last Updated 10/10/2011



West Park

EH List Entry No.	BUILDING NAME	FIRST REGISTERED	GRADE EASTING NORTHINGS
1001632	TAYLOR PARK	27/07/2007	Listed Park & 349,304.10 394,657.70 Garden
	LOCATION GROSVENOR ROAD ST HELENS	WARD PARISH Library Ref. EH Legacy uid	West Park P&G/WPARK/01 I. 5066

DESCRIPTION

Taylor Park is the largest Victorian Park in St Helens and was created on land that was formerly part of the Eccleston Hall estate. It features two dams, a quarry garden, a rock garden and woodland walks. The park was opened in 1893 and added to over the early years of the 20th century.

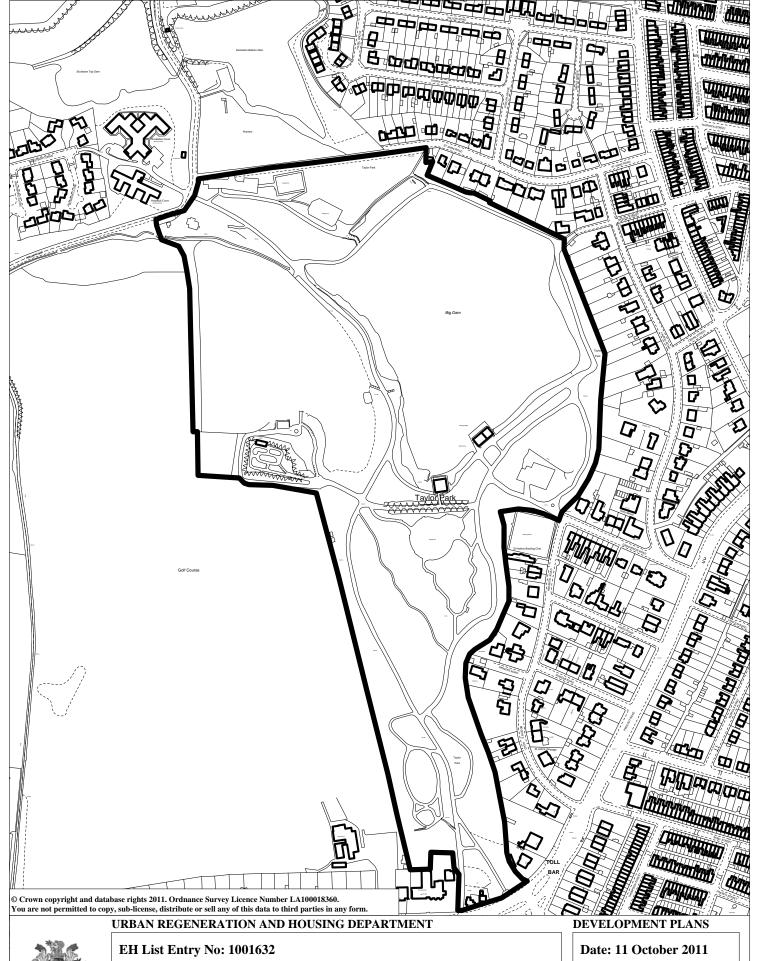
LOCATION, AREA, BOUNDARIES, LANDFORM, SETTING

Taylor Park lies 2 kilometres to the west-south-west of St Helens town centre and the irregular T-shaped site is about 20 hectares in area. The short south boundary to Prescot Road is marked by a low late 20th-century brick retaining wall with steps giving access to a grassed area on which is sited a brick and stone plaque commemorating the centenary of the opening of the park in 1893. The southern section of the park adjoins a golf course to the west and housing, generally early 20th-century, to the east. The golf course boundary is marked by 20th-century metal fencing and the eastern domestic garden boundaries by high brick walls and timber fencing. At the centre of the park the western boundary follows a stepped line to the south of the quarry before returning north. To the south and west of the quarry the boundary with the golf course is marked by a low stone wall, to the park side, and 20th-century metal fencing.

The northern section of the park is separated from the golf course to the west by a footpath, with the western boundary to the park marked by 20th-century metal railings. In the north of the park the east and north-east boundaries, adjacent to Big Dam, adjoin late 19th-century villa properties and are generally marked by high brick walls, and some late 20th-century brick outbuildings, at the foot of an embankment, within the park. The northern boundary of the park, marked by early 20th-century railings, adjoins the tree-lined Chain Walk which, within the park, leads east from Holme Road to St Ann's Road where, at the northern tip of the park an approximately 40-metre length of boundary is unmarked. The line of Chain Walk is indicated on the 1894 OS map and is shown with tree planting on the 1927 edition. The western and eastern boundaries of the park appear to follow field boundaries indicated on the 1770 estate map.

In the south of the park the ground is generally gently undulating, rising from east to west. In the north of the park the natura ground level falls to the north and, in the area to the west of Big Dam, rises to the east to a high point to the north of the quarry. From this point there is a panoramic view out from north-west to east with Billinge Beacon, about 8 kilometres to the north-east, prominent among the distant hills.

The surrounding area to the north, east, and south of the park is mainly residential with some, industrial sites. To the east a private bowling green is sited immediately to the south of the park entrance from Grosvenor Road. Immediately to the north-west, former pleasure grounds adjoining Eccleston Hall have been developed for hospital and residential purposes.





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Building Name: Taylor Park

Ward: West Park

Scale: 1/4000

Grid Ref: 349274, 394623

Area: 195487.19 sq.mts

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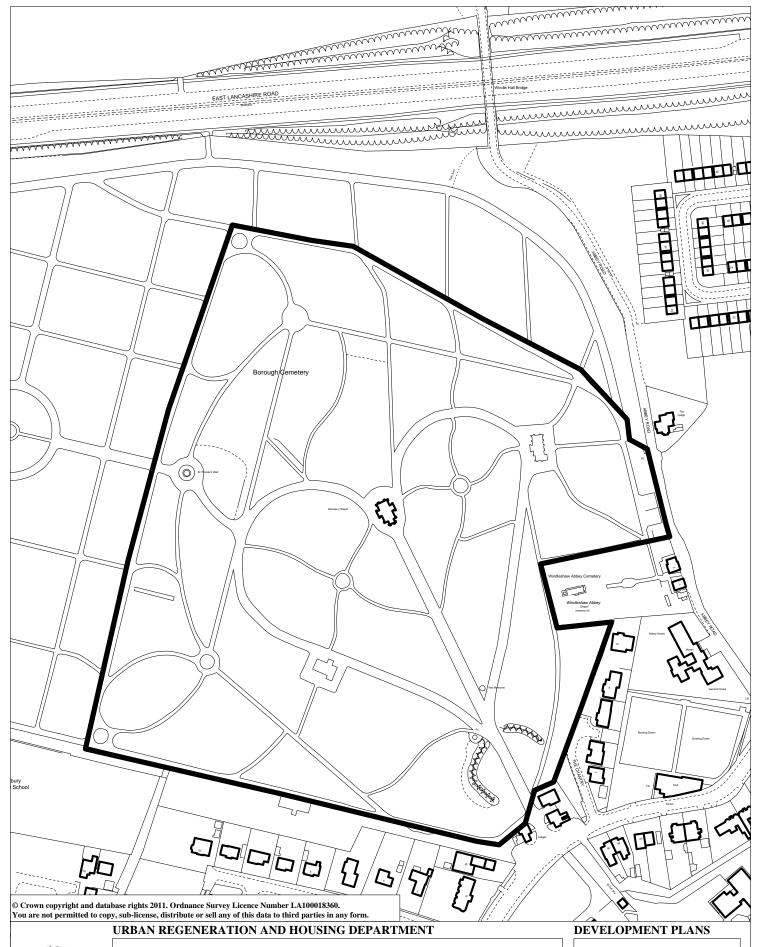
EH List Entry No.	BUILDING NAME	FIRST REGISTERED	GRADE EASTING NORTHINGS
1001662	ST HELENS CEMETERY ST HELENS CEMETERY AND CREMATORIUM	04/10/2008	Listed Park & 349,800.00 396,900.00 Garden
	LOCATION RAINFORD ROAD WINDLE	WARD PARISH Library Ref. EH Legacy uid	Windle P&G/WIND/01 . 5179

DESCRIPTION

A public cemetery opened in 1858 with designs for buildings and laying out by Thomas Denville Barry and planting specification by Edward Kemp, extended in around 1912 to the design of the Borough Engineer, Arthur W Brindley. The site contains a crematorium and a memorial garden.

LOCATION, AREA, BOUNDARIES, LANDFORM, SETTING

The roughly 11 hectare cemetery is situated about 3 kilometres to the north-north-west of St. Helens town centre. To the west and north the roughly square site is bounded by mid- and late 20th-century extensions of the cemetery (outside the area here registered), with burial areas laid out in a grid pattern. Extension ground to the north adjoins the East Lancashire Road, constructed in the 1930s, and to the west the Crematorium grounds, enclosed to the east and north-east by a high evergreen hedge, together with future burial ground, currently in cultivation, extend to Rainford Road. To the south the cemetery adjoins the grounds of a school, this boundary being marked by a high stone wall, an area of open ground formerly a cemetery yard with glasshouses (OS 1937) and 20th-century housing where the boundary is marked by 20th-century fencing. The irregular eastern boundary adjoins Elm Lodge, a 19th century villa, and a 17th-century Roman Catholic burial ground (outside the area here registered). The small rectangular plot of the latter extends into the cemetery, with the boundary marked by a low stone wall, and contains the ruined tower and walls of a chantry chapel (listed grade I!*), known as Windleshaw Abbey, and the shaft of a 17th-century cross (listed grade II). To the north of the 17th-century burial ground the cemetery adjoins Abbey Road with the boundary generally marked by a high stone wall. At the north-east corner of the cemetery the west boundary wall to Abbey Road is lower, with evidence of former railings, giving a view into the cemetery from the road and a residential property opposite which is a former lodge to Windle Hall to the north. The ground within the cemetery is very gently undulating with the adjoining 1930s and later extension grounds falling to the north and west with views out over these areas to the surrounding country from the north-west boundary. To the west, south, and east the surrounding area is largely residential with 20th-century housing. Land to the north, beyond the East Lancashire Road, is largely in agricultural use.



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EH List Entry No: 1001662

Building Name: St Helens Borough Cemetery

Ward: Windle

Date: 11 October 2011

Scale: 1/2500

Grid Ref: 349839, 396996

Area: 103199.17 sq.mts