

Dream It, Shape It, Make St Andrew's Park Yours

Children's & Young People's Competitions: "Design the Future St Andrew's Park"

Your ideas will help shape the real design brief for St Andrew's Park.

St Andrew's Park is a much-loved green space in First Tower. St Helier parish wants children and young people to help imagine a park that is fun, safe, inclusive, welcoming and full of life, while respecting its trees, historic character and the Dolmen de Ville-ès-Nouaux.

The Challenge

Show us what would make you want to visit, play, exercise, relax, meet friends or spend time with family at St Andrew's Park. Your entry can focus on one brilliant feature or show how different parts of the park could work together.

Five Things to Think About

- **Fun and activity:** play, climbing, balancing, sport, fitness or performance.
- **Belonging:** places to meet, sit, picnic, talk, watch or take part.
- **Access for everyone:** different ages, abilities, wheelchairs, buggies and mobility aids.
- **Nature and comfort:** trees, shade, sensory planting, wildlife, drinking water and shelter.
- **A real park:** ideas that are safe, durable, good value and respectful of neighbours and heritage.

As part of the consultation, entries will be displayed publicly and winning entrants will be invited to a special celebration event at the Town Hall in November 2026, where they will be presented with certificates and prizes.

Getting started

- Create your own plan or download an A3 plan of St Andrew's Park to draw on at [insert web link], or collect one in person from Customer Services, Town Hall, York Street, St Helier.
- There are no wrong answers: entries can be as big, small, colourful or imaginative as you like.
- Entries may be photographed and shared on the Parish's social media, in consultation updates and in promotional materials (see Permissions, below).

Competition Categories

EARLY YEARS · AGES 0–4

Colour My Dream Park

Children colour and decorate a pre-designed park scene.

Parents and Carrer welcome to help: swings and slides, trees and flowers, ducks and birds, a favourite park animal, your family having a picnic.

Prize: Little Explorer Award

PRIMARY SCHOOL · AGES 5–7

Draw Your Dream Playground

Draw what you would most like to see as a theme/ s for play areas in St Andrew's Park.

Ideas could include:

- Castles
- Beehives
- Pirate ships
- Space rockets

- Any other ideas

Prize: Future Playground Designer Award

PRIMARY SCHOOL · AGES 8–11

Design a Park Theme

Create a drawing, poster or collage showing your favourite theme for part of the park.

Examples:

- Castle Kingdom
- Space Adventure
- Pirate Cove
- Adventure Speedway
- Your Own Theme

Prize: Young Park Architect Award

SECONDARY SCHOOL · AGES 12–16

Create the Ultimate Youth Zone

Design an area for teenagers and young people to meet, be active and relax.

Features might include:

- Outdoor gym
- Zip wire
- Ninja challenges / parkour-style obstacle course
- Event or performance space
- Somewhere sheltered and well-lit to hang out with friends
- Any other ideas

Entries can be:

- Drawings
- Posters
- Digital designs
- Models

Prize: Young Innovator Award

YOUNG PEOPLE · AGES 17–25

Reimagine St Andrew's Park

Submit ideas, sketches, videos of equipment (not people), or digital concepts showing how the park can become a destination for all ages.

Focus areas:

- Community spaces
- Inclusive design (for wheelchairs, buggies and all abilities)
- Events
- Wellbeing
- Social opportunities

Prize: Future Community Designer Award

WHOLE CLASSES & SCHOOL GROUPS

School & Class & Youth clubs Challenge, open for St Helier only

A whole class or school group works together to create one collective vision for St Andrew's Park, using the Five Things to Think About above as a starting point.

Entries can be:

- A large collaborative map, mural or display
- A model of the park
- A class presentation or short film

Prize: Legacy Award for winning St Helier class/ St Helier school/ St Helier Youth club

ALL AGES

Video Challenge

Create a short video (maximum 30 seconds) of inspirational playgrounds you've seen online or in real life. Please film play equipment only, not people, to protect everyone's privacy.

Submit your video along with one sentence: "My dream St Andrew's Park would have..."

Winning videos may be featured in consultation updates and promotional materials.

Prize: People's Choice Award

How Entries Will Be Judged

Entries will be considered within the entrant's age category. Artistic skill is not the main test: a clear, thoughtful idea matters most.

Criterion	What judges will look for
Young person's voice	The idea is clearly the entrant's own and explains what matters to them.
Creativity	An imaginative or fresh response to the park.
Benefit	How the idea supports play, wellbeing, belonging or community use.
Inclusion	Consideration of different ages, needs and abilities.
Real-world thinking	Age-appropriate awareness of safety, nature, heritage, neighbours, durability and value for money.

How to Enter

Add the completed entry form to every submission.

Email digital entries to community@sthelier.je with the subject "St Andrew's Park Competition" or deliver entries to Customer Services, Town Hall, York Street, St Helier.

Closing date: 23:55 on Sunday 11 October 2026 for email entries. Hand-delivered entries must arrive during Town Hall opening hours by Friday the 9th of October until 4:30 pm

Schools and groups may submit entries together, provided every entry has the required information and consent.

What Happens Next?

Eligible entries may be displayed publicly. Winners will be invited to a celebration at the Town Hall in November 2026 and will receive a certificate and prize. A summary of the ideas will be shared with the park design team.

Winning does not mean that an idea can automatically be built: all proposals remain subject to consultation, budget, safety, accessibility, heritage, planning, maintenance and technical assessment.