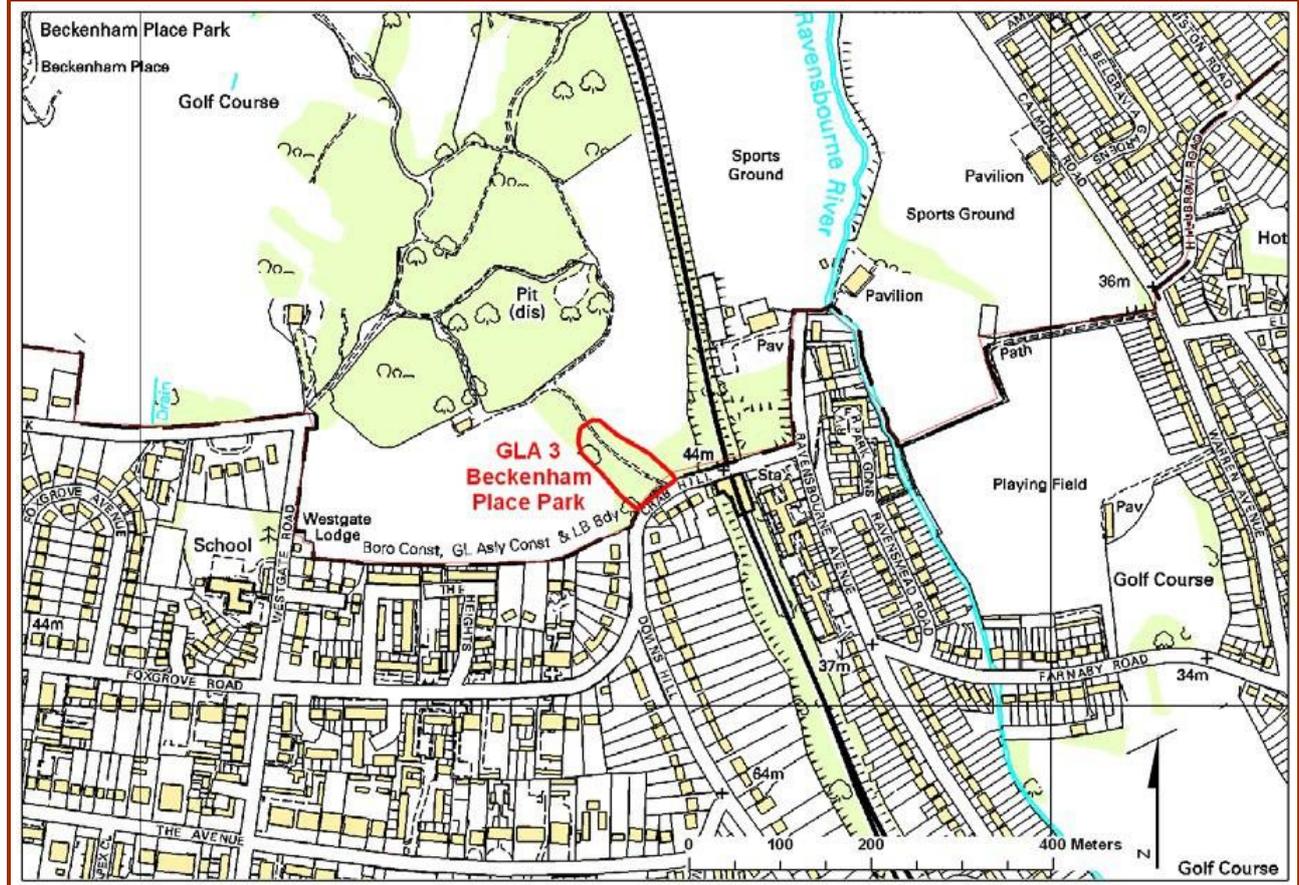


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Grid Reference: TQ 3853 7026	Site Type: Natural exposure
Site Area (hectares): 0.51	Current use: Recreational land
Site ownership: London Borough of Lewisham	Borough: London Borough of Lewisham
Field surveyor: Joanna Brayson Latest visit: Paul Rainey	Date: January 2009 Date: 2019
Current geological designation: RIGS	Other designation: LNR and Metropolitan SINC (Beckenham Place Park)

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Stratigraphy and Rock Types

Time Unit: Eocene	Rock Unit: London Clay Formation, Thames Group
Rock Type: Clay and silt	Details: Fine, sandy, silty clay/ clayey silt. Glauconitic at base.
Time Unit: Eocene	Rock Unit: Blackheath Member, Harwich Formation, Thames Group
Rock Type: Sand and gravel	Details: Sandy clays and sands; marine fauna; locally brackish; cemented pebble bed.

Site Description

Exposure of Harwich Formation (rounded flint pebbles with calcareous cement) near the entrance to the park.

Assessment of Site Value

Geodiversity topic: Sedimentology; lithostratigraphy.

Access and Safety

Aspect	Description
Safety of access	Exposures are either side of a Green Chain Walk within a public park.
Safety of exposure	Surrounding area is muddy, care should be taken near the exposures.
Permission to visit	Public space, recently regenerated park, many new paths with signs, Swimming lake added, Interactive map and many boards on website. Contact

	Lewisham Borough for details.	
Current condition	Good – leaf cover in autumn means exposures slightly covered, possibly also by vegetation in summer.	
Current conflicting activities	None.	
Restricting conditions	None.	
Nature of exposure	Cemented blocks of rounded flint pebbles with calcareous cement near the entrance to the park.	
Culture, Heritage & Economic		
Aspect	Description	Rating
Historic, archaeological & literary associations	The park contains a Grade II listed Mansion which houses a golf club house.	4
Aesthetic landscape	Provides interesting entrance to park.	4
History of Earth Sciences	Cementation of conglomerate – environmental inferences.	6
Economic geology	None.	0
GeoScientific Merit		
Geomorphology	Slope beside the path exposes small outcrops	4
Sedimentology	Depositional environment.	6
Palaeontology	None.	0
Igneous/mineral/ Metamorphic Geology	None.	0
Structural Geology	None.	0
Lithostratigraphy	Correlation between outcrop and other outcrops of Harwich Formation.	6
Potential use	Research; higher further education; school education; on-site interpretation. Geotrail on Green Chain Walk and Capital Ring.	
Fragility	Natural overgrowing; weathering/erosion.	
Geodiversity value		
RIGS:	Good exposure with easy access and good local facilities.	5
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Harwich Formation boulders and outcrop		