

## **Campaigners Launch Third Legal Challenge to Protect Brockwell Park**

Protect Brockwell Park (PBP) has launched its third judicial review challenge, alongside a new crowdfunding campaign, to challenge Lambeth Council's decision to grant planning permission for large-scale commercial events in Brockwell Park. This follows two successful legal challenges last year, in which the Council was found to have acted unlawfully - forcing event organisers to seek full planning permission in a landmark outcome of national significance.

PBP says leading barristers have advised that this latest permission was also improperly granted, with insufficient regard to the park's strong protections as public open space, with gaps in evidence, and reliance on unclear environmental assurances. *"This challenge is about protecting Brockwell Park by trying to ensure events are run lawfully and in a way that respects and prioritises its landscape, ecology and local community. PBP is not against all events, but the current model - large-scale, repeated commercial use with long enclosures - is not sustainable."*

The group warns that, without action, the park risks continued large-scale closures, cumulative damage to grass, trees and wildlife, and repeated exclusion of the public for extended periods. The very measures required to remediate this cumulative damage lead to even longer periods of restricted access, creating an irresolvable conflict between ecological recovery and openness of the park. The new crowdfunder - available at <https://www.crowdjustice.com/case/challenge-brockwell-live-2026/> aims to support this next legal step and ensure that future use of the park strikes a fair balance between events and its future as a valued public green space.