

## IX. PARKS

### A. Narrative

Within Great Bridge Village, parks and other open spaces can be used to connect the different districts.

Parks can provide each district, and the Village, as well, with a special character. The features and activities found in the parks provide each with its own meaning within the individual districts.

Parks support Village life, and the celebration of community, and residents' universal link with nature.

### B. Guidelines

1. Large parks and green spaces should relate to the street networks of the Village.
2. Parks within neighborhoods should relate to the design of the whole neighborhood.
3. Small parks should relate to the design of the block.
4. Employ features – a memorial, a water fountain, a monument, etc. to provide each park with a distinct place marker.
5. Parks, squares and village greens should be placed within a 10 minute walk of District edges, i.e. near the center.
6. Integrate landscape and plazas into streetscapes.

