

Playground Maintenance Working Group Update

13 November 2022

OVERVIEW

The Playground Maintenance Working Group met on 07 November 2022.

Present: Cllr Carpenter, Clerk

MEMBERSHIP

1. **Replacement for Cllr Steffens**

It was agreed to ask Cllr Moore if she would join the Working Group (Action: Cllr Carpenter)

2. **Recruitment from outside the Council**

It was agreed to put up some notices - noticeboard and playground (Action: Clerk)

It was agreed to create a post for the website (Action: Clerk)

It was agreed to include an invitation in the Newsletter (Action: Cllr Carpenter to co-ordinate with Cllr Moore)

FUNDING

1. **Community fundraising**

It was agreed to ask Cllr Moore if she would lead this (Action: Cllr Carpenter)

2. **Grant awards**

It was agreed to ask Cllr Moore if she would investigate grant options (Action: Cllr Carpenter)

PLAYGROUND WORKING PARTY

1. It was agreed that volunteers with equipment and skills are required.
2. It was agreed to create a list of activities required, noting the equipment/skill required for these (Action: Cllr Carpenter)
3. When an Activities List has been agreed, the WG will ask for volunteers.

WORK PROGRAMME

1. Obtain quotations for the following (Action: Clerk):
 - Toddler Multiplay Unit
 - Agility Trail
 - Toddler carousel (if can be included within funds available)
 - Removal of swinging tyre wooden frame to be investigated as part of these works.
2. Arrange purchase of 2No wooden picnic benches (using grant from Diplock Charity) – request delegated authority for Clerk to undertake this work (Action: Clerk)
3. Tunnel – to consider options for works (Action: Cllr Carpenter)
 - to determine whether the entrance can be moved and the slope made safe
 - to determine how the entrances can be made safer
4. Toddler and Junior Swing play bark – it was noted that these need to be replenished
It was agreed to move the bark from the toddler unit to the swing units before the toddler unit replacement works commence.

Play bark will be required for the toddler unit. Any extra playbark required for the swing units to be purchased at this time.

5. Climbing pyramid – Cllr Carpenter has undertaken repairs of the “finger gap” problem areas. He will also replace one triangular rotten section. (Action: Cllr Carpenter)
6. Toddler Toy Train control lever – Cllr Carpenter to replace (Action: Cllr Carpenter)
7. Rotaweb surface – options for improving the surface were discussed. Investigation of current surface is required (Action: Clerk and Cllr Carpenter)

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COUNCIL FOR APPROVAL

- To approve Cllr Moore joining the Working Group if she is happy to do so.
- To delegate authority to the Clerk to purchase 2No wooden picnic benches, to a total cost of £750.