Playground Working Group 25th November 2024

The WG would like clarification and guidance on which direction to take with the ongoing development of the Play Park.

All equipment type to be decided after consultation with appropriate groups.

Option A: Short Term

Replace Swings that are nearing end of life with similar.

Funded by S106 monies.

Option B: Medium Term

Install appropriate play equipment for central area to replace the old Play Boat.

Funded by S.106 monies.

Option C: Long Term

Complete re-design of the Play Park but retaining the large multi-use climbing frame.

Funded by S.106, CIL and possibly reserves.

Possible funds.

£29770.52 of existing S.106 money that has no expiry date but advice from EDDC is to spend it and clear it from the slate.

CIL money.

Parish Council reserves.

Consultation process.

For Option A we have been adviced by EDDC that minimal if any consultation would be needed as replacing like for like.

For Option B we would need public consultation but EDDC would help with this and may only need to be the main users, the school and the play group.

For Option C we would probably need wider consultation with all the residents and therefore more detailed surveys. Again EDDC would be able to help with compiling appropriate online survey.

Decision to be made.

Option A
Option B
Option A and B combined
Option C

If consultation required we would be looking to start the process in the new year.

Other information.

Weekly inspection will be carried out by WG members and e-mail report sent to Clerk.

Maintenance to be carried as usual by Lengthsman as agreed in the appropriate contract.