
Report To: Full Council **Date:** 18 September 2023

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Subject: Recommendation – Play Working Party

1. Play Working Party

- 1.1 The Planning, Leisure & Amenities Committee on Monday 4 September agreed that a review of expressions of interest would be undertaken by a Play Working Party.
- 1.2 The Play Working Party met on Tuesday 12 September to review the designs and quotes submitted for Bess Road kickabout and Shaw Ridge play area. Attendees were Cllr Grother, Cllr Llewellyn, Cllr G Philpot, Cllr T Philpot and Cllr Sydney Smith. Cllr Ali attended virtually.
- 1.3 The Play Working Party noted that remedial work was underway at Shaw Ridge play area. This work had highlighted that there is large amounts of concrete underground in the current play area location which could have an impact on the costs of excavating for installation of new equipment at this location.
- 1.4 The Play Working Party noted that the Grange Park area did not have a Multi Use Games (MUGA) area other than the one sided kickabout at Bess Road. This facility has drainage issues over the Winter and is limited at the level of play that can be achieved.
- 1.5 The Play Working Party advised that it would be interested in design options that would retain the existing goal end.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The Play Working Party agreed the following recommendation

That Full Council agrees a Request for Quotation to be submitted to Contract Finder with a budget set at up to £52,000 for a new MUGA facility at Bess Road.

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