

INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	TOURISM AND LEISURE COMMITTEE	11 MARCH 2021	6
CAPITAL SCHEME: IMPROVEMENTS TO CHILDREN'S PLAY AREAS			

PUBLIC ITEM

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The purpose of this report is to provide a progress update in respect of the capital scheme to improve children's play areas. Fylde Council's Parks and Coastal Service is responsible for the formal inspection, repair and record keeping of 37 children's play areas throughout the borough, of which 17 are owned by town and parish councils.

Officers carried out a condition survey of all the play areas, to establish the scale of replacement and longevity of equipment and surfacing, based on the regular inspection information, to provide an overarching perspective of what investment is required. A prioritised and phased list of annual works was collaborated to inform a repair and replacement programme, based on risk, condition, location and use.

At the Budget Council meeting of 4 March 2020, approval was confirmed for a capital growth item to the sum of £37,621 in respect of the play area improvements. Further grant funding to the value of £12,379 was also successfully secured from the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government. The total capital contribution of £50,000 was moved to the 2020/ 21 Capital Programme. The funding will be allocated to the sites as show below:

Site	Items	Costings
South Park, Lytham	Safety Surfacing, Equipment & Path Infrastructure	£15,077
Lowther Gardens, Lytham	Safety Surfacing, Equipment & furniture	£14,564
Ashton Gardens, St Anne's	Safety Surfacing	£2,400
Hove Road, St Anne's	Equipment & Safety surfacing	£3,930
Hope Street, St Anne's	Equipment & safety surfacing	£8,281
Waddington Road, St Anne's	Equipment	5,748
	Total	£50,000

Four suppliers were invited to tender using the 'quick quote' procedure on the CHEST procurement portal, in line with the council's contract procedures. Tenders were evaluated on a 70/30 price and quality basis.

We received one tender from DCM Surfaces Ltd. Their submitted price breakdown is illustrated on the table shown overleaf and they scored 70% on price and 30% on quality. Works will start in March 2021 and are expected to be completed by April 2021.

Site	Items	Price
South Park, Lytham	Double framed swings x 4 seats	£5,900
	2 x maintenance gates (only 1 double gate required)	£1,100
	108 m2 of safety surfacing	£7,800
Lowther Gardens, Lytham	200 m2 of safety surfacing	£12,900
Ashton Gardens, St Anne's	34 m2 of safety surfacing	£2,980
Hove Road, St Anne's	18 m2 of safety surfacing	£1,950
Hope Street, St Anne's	1 x springer	£1,250
	73.5 m2 of safety surfacing	£5,900
Waddington Road, St Anne's	111 m2 of safety surfacing	£8,100
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Total cost for evaluation purposes	
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	£49,980
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SOURCE OF INFORMATION

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LINK TO INFORMATION

Appendix 4a Cap bid Children's Play Areas attached

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

To provide the Tourism and Leisure Committee an update on the improvements to children's play areas project.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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