

Burton Bradstock Parish Council

BBPC recreation group report item 8d

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Purpose of Paper

To provide information on progress so far with working group meetings and quotes received to upgrade/repair and maintain the play area and playing field at Burton Bradstock.

Background

The Parish Council at the Duck Race last year launched a consultation on the future of the play area. It was found that out of 86 questionnaires returned the majority felt that the play area and playing field was a valued community asset, the results also gave the PC an insight into what equipment was liked and that which was no longer wanted and ideas for new equipment. A group of children from Burton Bradstock School also got involved in gathering information which they submitted to the PC.

The top 3 items of new equipment desired was Fitness Equipment a Zip wire and new equipment for both older and younger children.

Actions

The play area group produced a rough design based on ideas from the consultation results to incorporate as many of the ideas as possible then invited 3 play companies to draw up a plan and quote for their design:

The 3 play companies approached were Sutcliffe, Sovereign and Playdale

The play area group met in January and looked at the designs and their preferred design and company was Sutcliffe so have had a further site meeting with them again to ask for modifications to their initial design.

The group have also contacted Hags and are waiting on a response to look at modifying their equipment at the play area which is key to any future plans for the area.

The group are also as part of the design looking at a shelter/gazebo and fitness equipment so all of these design costs will be put into a total figure for this project. Currently the design is in the region of £60,000 but this could change with the addition of works to Hags and fitness equipment

Funding and financial support

The play area group will be looking at funding pots i.e. S106 (of which there is approx. £10,000, lottery grants, community grants, local business support local fundraising efforts and crowd funding also the group requests financial support from the Parish Council.

RECOMENDATION

- 1. Note progress of the play area project to date and consider the recommendation to continue to progress with Sutcliffe play at this stage**
- 2. Consider financial support from the Parish Council**