

## Recreation Group report for the PC meeting 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017

The recreation group carried out consultations in the village commencing at the Duck race 2016.

Copies of the questionnaire were held at the Post Office, the group had 86 questionnaires returned, 84 responded with overriding support for the play area as a community asset and to maintain the area, many suggestions were received on new equipment and some equipment no longer wanted. This was reiterated at the Duck Race this year where further feedback was received.

The group have also had input from BB school and their Sports ambassadors, the group are now looking to gather comments from some of the older children who use the site.

The group had a very informative meeting with Daryl Chambers from Bridport TC who spoke on the West Bay play areas which were completed in phases costing a total of £219,000 to date. He has offered support with our project and has many contacts we can use.

Following on from the feedback the group has now gathered quotes from play area companies the quotes for these designs are as follows:

Playdale	£59441.96 - zip wire included no shelter
Sovereign	£52057.58 - plus costs for a zip wire and shelter
Sutcliffe	£57079.00 - plus a shelter
Touchwood	£102,860.83 - bespoke design for whole area with consultation

Hags were invited to tender but to date have not produced a plan following a site meeting.

On top of all these quotes there will be the costs to adapt/repair the Hags equipment- (except Touchwood) costs in the region of £3000 to £5000.

The group like many of the items in all the of the plans but no one design stands out and following on from the meeting with Daryl from Bridport where they project managed and gathered items from all different companies and asked Huk nets to install the equipment using local contractors, this is something the group will need to consider.

After investigations planning permission is required at the play area so this would need to be applied for as soon as possible.

S106 monies are available and an application is hoped to be made following the PC meeting and support from the Council.

Looking at the costings the group is looking to raise in the region of £100,000.00 to repair and provide the new equipment that has been suggested in the consultation results, initially concentrating on something more for the older children.

The F & GP working group has also recommended financial support to the value of £5000 per year for 3 years.

### Recommendations:

- Consultation of the older age groups
- Finalise the plan for the area and this to be done as a phased project
- Gather any planning permissions required
- Apply for S106 funds and commence funding bids from local pots

## **Proposal**

- 1. The Parish Council supports the project and pledges £5000 per year for the next 3 years to assist with the initial stages of the project and support any match funding required this was recommended at the F & GP meeting.**
- 2. The Play area group to start the project with a Zip wire and shelter which would hope to be installed within the first year this would have an instant impact on the area and then look at the rest of the project in phases**

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