

Agenda Item No: 23/24-26 i.

### **Annual Play Area Inspection Report**

Following the Annual Play Area Reports, please see below the summary list from Cllr Bennett of works to be considered by the council.

1. Wooden benches require sanding – low risk and the benches are looking fairly tired - I have sanded them before so will do again - NB.
2. Pedestrian gate crushing risk – low risk and no change from previous inspections – I may fit a rubber cushion to the metal stop plate - NB.
3. Adventure playground rotten half log – low risk and little change from previous inspection – I had secured these half logs with additional screws recently so I think monitor for now (highlight to Liam) – SH.
4. *Helter Skelter non-compliance and condition – The issues surrounding this piece of equipment are starting mount up – consider complete replacement with similar (CIL money?) - CPC.*
5. *Spinning See-saw surface – the application of grass seed will not be practical in my opinion – either we install a very costly safety surface (previously quoted) or just accept it as low risk - CPC.*
6. *Zip wire chain inspection – I have sent Sally links for a replacement. I can fit this and inspect the chain at the same time - NB.*
7. *Adventure Trail exposed concrete – not sure where this has appeared from – I suggest we ask Liam to break the protruding concrete down and back fill to level – NB/SH.*
8. *Flat Seat Swing rotten post – the top bar was replaced fairly recently – replace all below ground section of the four legs with metal post feet asap to get the equipment back into use and I have little concern with the surface - CPC. – Order has been placed with Online Playgrounds.*
9. Basket Swing – no serious issues identified - I think we should ask OLP to add the cost of upgrading with metal post feet for this piece of equipment; at least to see if the combined savings are worth consideration – SH for quote only then CPC. – SH has emailed OLP.
10. *Playground wood chip surface – I am not sure we will ever get away with a year where we do not apply more wood chip – organise the same delivery as last year and ask Liam to rake out – SH. = SH has requested a quote from Suffolk Woodchip for 10cu M. There will be an additional cost for Liam to rake it out.*
11. Double Cross skier signage – low risk but I see his point – might be worth contact Fresh-Air Fitness to see if they will supply a replacement sticker - SH.
12. *Basketball court condition – The weed and algae do not appear that bad when I took a look the other day – we could ask Liam if he has any suggestions for spraying the surface (Weedol might work?) – NB/SH.*
13. BMX track – no particular issues identified – it might be worth asking Liam to spray off the vegetation that is breaking up the track surface? – NB/SH

## Additional Works

### Spraying at Play Areas

Spray off on both sides of the playing field fence, around all benches, exercise equipment and timber posts in both areas and BMX track.

As per Liam's contract, this work is in addition to his monthly fee.

£50.00

Cutting back the larger shrubs and trees around the playing field on our side of the fence.

£25.00

Break out some protruding concrete adjacent to one of the posts for the rope bridge and level off the soil surface to make good.

£30.00