

## **PLAY Area Development/Strategy Working Group Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

### **Present:**

David Williams (Chair) FCPC  
Tim Niblett FCPC  
Linda Williams FCPC  
Morgan Bolton FCPC  
Tristan Clark FCPC  
David Hanks (Resident)  
Kim Jefferies FCPC

### **Apologies:**

None

#### **1. Election of Chair**

Cllr David Williams was elected Chair of this working group

#### **2. Terms of Reference**

Terms of Reference presented were approved with a minor amendment and **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION** copy at Appendix 1

#### **3. Review of Current Play Provision and Play Strategy Adopted in 2015**

Cllr David Williams had conducted a review of the present provision and it was agreed due to the amount of damage that has occurred to Ridings Road play space that this area would be prioritised whilst all other play equipment owned by the Council would be kept in use and maintained to a good standard.

#### **4. Creation of a Future Strategy and Replacement Policy**

It was agreed that the following should be considered before developing the above policy:

- **Age range and size of equipment**
- **Continuous rollout of new pieces of equipment**
- **By site or by age/damaged pieces of equipment**
- **Fact finding on current trends**
- **Inclusivity and multiple age ranges rather than age specific**
- **Stats of current usage of each site**
- **Ensure equipment meets the needs of everyone**
- **Due to age of Play Strategy it is to be used as guide**
- **Ensure good standard of play equipment and good maintenance programme**
- **Only play spaces owned by the Parish Council will be considered**
- **To ensure all funding opportunities are exhausted**

The group agreed to look at a draft Policy at the next meeting.

It was agreed to **RECOMMEND:**

- That Ridings Road Play Space would take priority at this time
- A questionnaire would be sent to local schools and Youth Club for distribution amongst the youth of Frampton Cotterell to start compiling their views. Mr Hanks informed the group that the average age that currently use the equipment is up to 12 years old.
- A Social Media communication with the youth will be put out on Facebook and the Youth Club asked if they are able to get involved with reaching as many young people as possible.

- Leaflet drops into surrounding houses.

A fact-finding mission at this stage, DRAFT questionnaires at Appendix 2

#### **5. Adoption of Playground Risk Management Policy**

A draft policy was presented and approved with a minor amendment and **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION** copy at Appendix 3

The Group agreed that it is unlikely that the replacement of any equipment at Ridings Road would take place before the end of the financial year and **RECOMMENDED:** That the £10,000 revenue budget be ear marked at Year End and transferred to 324

#### **6. Consideration of Obstructed PROW (LFC 31/10)**

It was agreed that the group would apply for a redirection of the footpath when consideration of any changes to the play space at The Park are considered.

**Date of next meeting:**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 at 7pm**

*Project Officer*