

Report for the Play Area Development Working group and Finance & Governance Committee.

Highlights are.

In 2022 the Play Area Development working group identified the Ridings Road play area as priority for development. Following a survey in 2022, the Council authorised the much needed upgrade of the site.

After consideration of a number of proposals and tenders, the Council agreed to award the contract to KOMPAN.

Work on site began early January 2024 with the new Ridings Road play area officially opened on 15 February 2024.

The project was funded by the Council, together with a grant of £43,700 received from Grantscape, part of the Suez Communities Fund.

Ongoing the Council have set aside significant funds for the further development of its play areas and in the coming months the working group will looking to identify its next project.

The Finance & Governance committee undertook its normal regulatory roles of reviewing the Council's finances.

It authorised three grants during the year:

£2,000 to Citizens Advise.

£608 to Frampton male voice choir.

£400 to FACE (Youth Services) for a games console and basketball equipment.

The Council continues to support Beesmoor Road Playing Fields, with grants of nearly £4,000 for maintenance and insurance cost.