

Hawstead Community Council

Hawstead Green Playground Proposal

Current Playground - The Issues

- ❖ Ageing Equipment
 - ❖ In place for over 20yrs
 - ❖ Inspections pointing out an increasing number of finger entrapment issues
 - ❖ Bases of poles beginning showing signs of degradation
- ❖ Regular flooding
 - ❖ Drainage is ineffective
 - ❖ Wood chip is compacted and displaying significant rotting down
 - ❖ Current level of the play area providing natural flooding opportunity

‘Dirty Diggers’ Works Proposal - Phase 1

- ❖ Dig out the existing wood chip
- ❖ Remove and disassemble both sets of swings and centre apparatus
- ❖ Lift log cabin out of play area, conducting an inspection to see if it can be kept
- ❖ Install a stone base to improve drainage under play area, allowing for the ground level to be raised to that of the grass
- ❖ Install a Geotextile membrane and fill area with play grade bark
- ❖ Install new play equipment, fitting the new items with stainless steel ground fixings

New Equipment



Dirty Diggers Preferred Supplier

Who?

- ❖ Playdale

Why?

- ❖ Quality of equipment
- ❖ Ability to manage the entire project
- ❖ Reputation and experience
- ❖ Guarantees / Warranty

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Future Phases

- ❖ Replace Log Cabin
- ❖ Install a new perimeter fence and 2 new self closing gates improving safety and accessibility
- ❖ Add further equipment, improving inclusion and interactivity
- ❖ Considering all-weather surfacing around the equipment



Points of Note

- ❖ Surface choice restricted by budgetary constraints
- ❖ Play bark will require regular maintenance
 - ❖ Weeding and management of grass encroachment
 - ❖ Raking and redistribution of bark
 - ❖ Turning / rotavating of bark annually to aerate
 - ❖ Top up bark (estimating 10% top up per year)
- ❖ Future works will consider resurfacing

Costings

Item	Cost
The Avenue with plastic slide	£13,655.00
Timber Team Swing Frame and swings	£5,603.00
Geotextile Membrane	£608.00
Playgrade Bark	£6,699.70
Removal of spoil, pallets, packaging & rubbish	£513.50
Container for on-site storage	£925.00
Welfare Facilities	£350.00
Delivery & Installation	£8,922.26
Excavation of compacted ground & disposal	£874.44
MOT Type 1 stone subbase	£1,332.10
Removal & disposal of existing bark	£3,971.00
Playdale to carefully uplift Log Cabin and swing sets	£1,076.40
Total (less discount)	£41,795.76

N.B. Prices do not include VAT @ 20%

Note on costings

- ❖ Considerations have been made as to where costs can be trimmed / recovered
 - ❖ Welfare costs - removed if we open up the hall for use of the toilets
 - ❖ Container costs - Susanne has offered to store the new equipment on her land, or we can utilise the VH if dates suit
 - ❖ Disposal of packaging, pallets and rubbish - we will look into doing this ourselves, potentially daily
 - ❖ Removal and disposal of existing wood chip - Initial contact made with Rupert to see if he is able to assist here
 - ❖ Excavation of compacted earth - As above, we are hoping Rupert can assist here
 - ❖ Uplift of Cabin for inspection - Look to see if Rupert can assist with a tele handler
 - ❖ Disposal of old equipment - potential interest in the old equipment for use in private gardens or to be repurposed
 - ❖ Metal chains - we have been advised that we may be able to sell the chains and recoup some monies
- ❖ Removal of itemise items from quote save £7710.34 from costs (before discount)
- ❖ Sales of old equipment and chains estimated to raise the HCC between £500-1000

Additional Equipment Costs

Equipment	Cost
New Log Cabin	£5,400.00
Loudspeaker	£1,495.00
2 Playpanels	£3,678.00
Gravity Bowl	£1,895.00

N.B. Costs do not include delivery & installations

Questions?