



# **RECREATION AREA**

# BUSINESS PLAN and NEW EQUIPMENT PROPOSAL

## Lancaster Avenue Recreational Area

## **Observations**

The recreation area in Lancaster Avenue is used by many age groups, including those exercising their dogs and family picnics in the summer months.

During the school day parents often meet in the play area with their preschool children. There are also various age groups using the gym equipment.

The petanque court is used by the local community and those further afield.

At school closing time the field is very busy, with equipment being used by both children and parents.

If we analyse the recreation equipment available, such as Zip Wire, Gym Equipment, Skate Park, Multi Use Games Area (MUGA). These items are most suitable from age 5 upwards.

Of the equipment in the play area, the only items suitable for preschool children are the toddler swings.

Since the implementation of DDC's first local plan 79 new homes are in the process of being built, this will inevitably draw more younger families into the village. It is quite possible that S106 money will become available from the 34 homes development in Capel Street at some point in the future for new recreational equipment.

It has also been noted that the lower field where the goal posts are situated is being used more for football matched.

The Parish Council are in the process of producing a 3-year Business Plan which will focus on the Recreation Area.

#### Proposal

The proposal is to remove the little used static trail equipment that sits between the roundabout and toddler swings (shown in red on the attached drawing) and replace with new Wicksteed equipment aimed at preschool children.

The Wicksteed Legendary Empire is a mid-price range piece of equipment comprising a 3tower unit with many play features including bridges, climbing walls, play panels, steps and slides. All of the play features on the Legendary Empire help to develop physical abilities such as climbing, descending, sliding, and balancing, as well as helping to develop cooperative and social skills. The Legendary Empire multi-play system is designed to fuel the imaginations of younger children, enabling them to create fantasy lands whilst they are playing and exercising.

Unit Price £7402 Installation £1151 The cheapest base promoted by Wicksteed is a honeycomb plastic mat base that allow grass to grow through. This would cost an additional  $\pounds 1707$  to supply and install. However, as there is a constant problem with mole activity, this type of base would not be suitable. Therefore, a wet pour base would be more appropriate in this situation.

As there are two static trail items to be remove before the installation of new equipment can take place, a site visit by a Wicksteed engineer would be required before a quote for the base can be provided. However, the cost is estimated to be around  $\pounds7500$ 

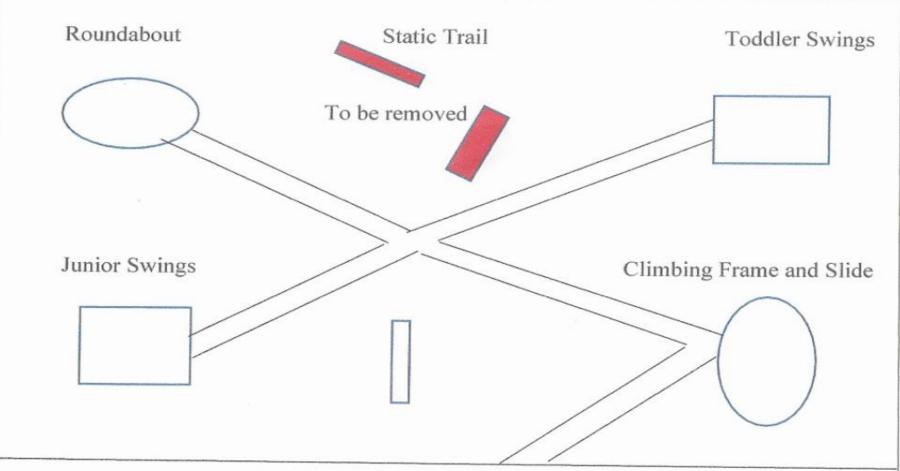
This means that the estimated total cost would be approximately £16000

#### Legendary Empire, Mystical World Unit Product code:640-LEGE



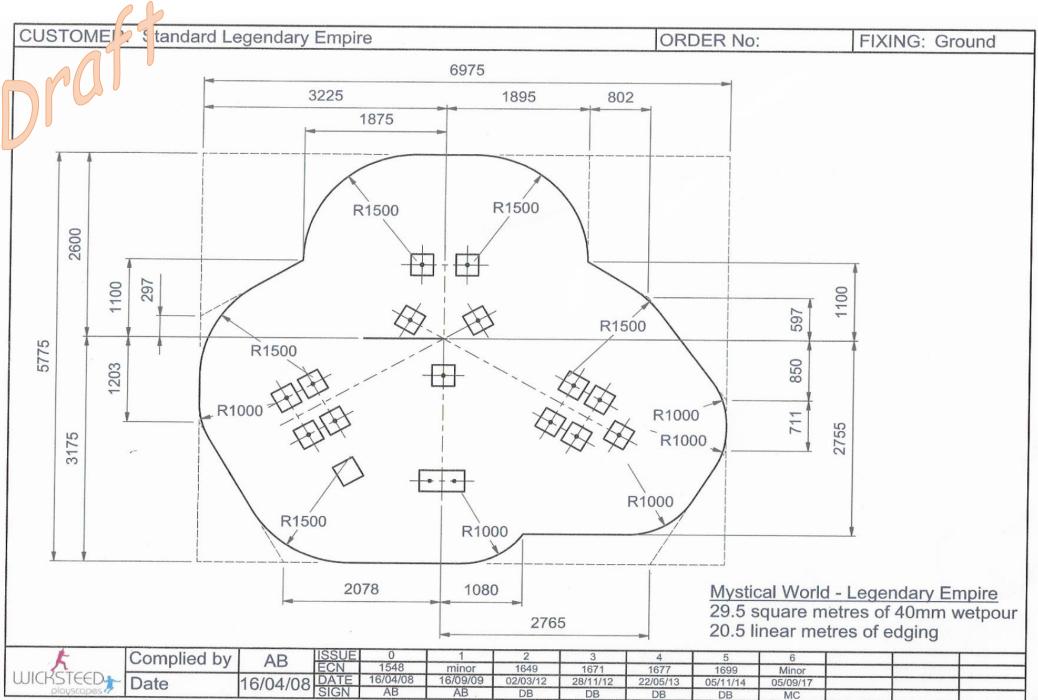






There are three static trail items, these items are less used than other pieces of equipment in the area. The proposal is to remove the two items coloured red and install the new equipment within this area.

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F na k al Year Programme		Cost Estimate	Funding Source	Comments		
<ul> <li>2 1/2022</li> <li>1. Replace badly worn wet pour bases on toddler swings, junior swings and climbing frame/slide.</li> </ul>	1.	£ 11,500	Parish Council	The worn wet pour has been in situ for around 18 years		
2. Maintenance contract for gym equipment	2.	1,267				
<ol> <li>Replacement of worn bearings on gym cycle machine</li> </ol>	3.	300		Replace bearings previously flagged up by maintenance engineer		
4. Unplanned maintenance	4.	1,000				
<ol> <li>Remove 2 old pieces of static trail equipment and replace with Wicksteed Legendary Empire toddler play equipment on a wet pour base</li> </ol>	5.	16,000		Removal of little used static equipment New item to extend the range for the early years to junior age group		
6. Maintenance contract for Wi-Fi and CCTV	6.	704				
7. Grass cutting	7.	2,917				
		33,688				
2022/2023 1. Maintenance contract for gym equipment	1.	£ 1,267	Parish Council			
<ol> <li>Carry out refurbishment of metal components showing signs of corrosion</li> </ol>	2.	6,000		Metal components showing signs of corrosion on various pieces of equipment		
3. Unplanned maintenance	3.	1,000				
4. Maintenance contract for Wi-Fi and CCTV	4.	704				
5. New goal posts	5.	1,000		Notable increased use of lower field for		
6. Grass cutting	6	2,917		football		
		12,888				



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20/3 2024		£	Parish Council			
1. Maintenance contract for gym equipment	1.	1,267				
2. Unplanned maintenance	2.	1,000				
3. Maintenance contract for Wi-Fi and CCTV	3.	704				
4. Remove remaining old pieces of static trail equipment and replace with an item from the Wicksteed Playground Spring Mobile range of equipment on a wet pour base	4.	12,000		Removal of little used static equipment New item to extend the range for the early years to junior age group		
5. Grass cutting	5.	2,917				
		17,888				