



MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

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To consider progression of CIL Funded and other projects delegated to Recreation Committee

Provision of additional benches

Now there is more play equipment outside of the fenced play park, there is a need for seating in this area. We have had a recent request for a memorial bench which could be sited by the zip wire/nest swing/MUGA. The approved budget for additional seating is £2k and £1.5k has been spent. Any request from a resident must include an offer of funding. Bench costs are c £6-800.

Permanent Football Goal

Unfortunately, it is difficult to find a suitable site for a permanent full-sized goal. The newly reclaimed land by the MUGA would result in balls going into the road/ditch, Jenners Close or the undergrowth/willows. You could place a permanent goal on the right-hand side of the playing fields near the SWT meadow gate, away from the pitches but this would be apart from all the other play equipment. The approved budget for this is £2k.

Exercise Equipment

No progress has been made. The budget for this is £20k from the East Suffolk Playpot and it must be suitable for children to be funded from the Playpot. Members are invited to consider further what items they wish to see provided and indicate how they wish to progress this. There is currently £45,257.16 in the Playpot and £542.86 in the Sportspot.

MUGA Replacement Options

Quotes have been sought from 4 suppliers regarding replacing the MUGA and installing floodlights – details below. It would be beneficial to provide an area that can be used for football, netball and basketball – the current one is only suitable for football.

	Quote 1	Quote 2	Quote 3	Quote 4
Size	19m x 36m	18.5m x 30m	15m x 30m	28m x 37m
Surface	Tarmac	Matchplay 2 surfacing	Macadam base with 6mm open textured wearing course	Multisport synthetic surfacing
Sports	Football, netball and basketball	Football, netball and basketball	Football and basketball	Football, netball and basketball
Notes	Netball posts would need to be independent posts that roll into place.	Netball posts would need to be independent posts that roll into place.	Netball posts would need to be independent posts that roll into place.	Netball posts would need to be independent posts that roll into place.
Fencing	Galvanised steel (matching zip wire). Mix of 1-3 m high	2m high rebound green fencing	3m high heavy duty rebound fencing	3m MUGA fencing with 3 gates
Goal type	Open recessed with basketball hoops	Open recessed with basketball hoops	Incorporated with basketball	Recess goals with basketball hoops
Lighting	Not specified	4 x 6m floodlights	4 x 6m floodlights	4 columns
Guarantee	2 years – lifetime guarantee	Up to 25 years	25 years	Not stated
Cost	Fencing - £25,500 Install – £8,000 Surface and line markings tbc – 3 rd party contractor Floodlights - tbc	£79,882.75 + VAT	£71,300 + VAT	£125,190 + VAT

Netball pitch dimensions: 30.5m long and 15.25m – plus run off of 2m each end and 1.5m each side

Football pitch (5 aside) dimensions: 25m x 16.5m – plus run off of 2-3m at ends and sides

Football pitch (7 aside) dimensions: 50m x 30m – plus run off of 2-3m at ends and sides

Basketball pitch dimensions: 28m x 15m

There is no budgetary provision for this option. Full Council has so far only approved expenditure of £5k for improved lighting, so any of these proposals will have to go back to Full Council.

Recommendations:

The Recreation Committee is asked to consider:

1. Placement of additional seating in play park
2. Seeking quotes for installation of full-sized goal
3. Progression of proposals for exercise equipment
4. Proposals to progress the options for replacing the MUGA