

## MELTON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Recreation Ground Play Park**

The annual Play Park inspection is due to be carried out in July. We have carried out some minor improvements to the play park since last year's inspection, including replacing bushes and shackles and missing caps.

As previously agreed, the slide will be moved because the fence line is moving to accommodate the Pavilion. I will be meeting with play equipment companies over the coming weeks to seek quotes for carrying out this work. The condition of the current wet pour surface will contribute to the price. If the surface is found to be in good order, it could potentially be extended and the slide turned. If the surface has degraded, then it will need to be removed and a new surface laid under the repositioned slide. If the cost is too high the Committee needs to consider removing the slide until funding is available to reinstall/replace it. The 6m<sup>2</sup> surface installed recently at Hall Farm Road cost £4.6k.

Advice is also being sought for the options of having an inclusive piece of play equipment in place of the Supernova and Roundabout.

Cracks have increased in size in the floor covering near the toddler cradle swings. This could be repaired when wet pour is used in other areas of the play park.

## **Funding**

We were previously informed that £19k remained in the PlayPot. Unfortunately, due to an accounting error at East Suffolk, the cost of the zipwire and nest swing had not been deducted. Therefore the PlayPot now stands at just over £5k. As well as using CIL to fund these improvements, further funding could be sought through Grants and District CIL.

Members are asked to:

- Note and comment on this report
- Agree if they want to establish an upper cost limit for moving the slide

Fliss Waters Asst Clerk July 2022