

Eastcombe Recreation Ground Playground Refurbishment

As you are no doubt aware, some of the existing equipment is rather dated and requires regular inspection and maintenance and does not really cater for children of all ages. Last year rather than commit to just replacement of some of the older facilities, we started to look at improving not just the equipment but the whole playground experience.

As you can imagine this type of project is not cheap but we are extremely fortunate in that a firm of specialists (Exterior Architecture Ltd) have agreed to provide suitable design and initial project management facilities at no cost to the Parish Council.

The design shown on the Consultation Board you have been looking at, is the current vision of what the playground will offer once the work is completed and it looks to build on and enhance what is currently in place to create a fun and engaging space for children of all ages to enjoy.

The major issue with this project is funding. The current estimate for providing all the facilities shown is circa £90,000 which is obviously outside the range of expenditure that the Parish Council can support.

Whilst we have managed to secure some initial funding from GCC's Build Back Better scheme we need to secure a lot more funding if we are to achieve the completion of this project, so we are currently exploring other funding avenues e.g. 'Crowd Funding', National Lottery Grant etc.

We also have the backing of our local MP Siobhan Baillie, who is very supportive of this type of initiative.

Have you any thoughts or comments on this proposal?

Have you any fund raising ideas?

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