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1	1/3/21	I have seen a post on Facebook about the Horndean play area being redone. I just wanted to say I think this is a great idea, we have recently just moved to Horndean (highcroft lane) we have been to the park quite a few times recently, but never really stay that long as there isn't much variety. We previously have lived in clunfield and Denmead and the parks there offer much more for children to do. So something similar to these on a smaller scale would be ideal. My daughter is 3, she particularly likes the climbing frames, swings and slides. If you needed any further comments please let me know, as I wasn't really sure from the post what you were after. Kind regards Jeni	Great Idea Present park lacks variety. 3 yr old loves climbing
2	1/3/21	I'd like to put forward my suggestions as I use the park most days with my toddler & have another on the way - this will make such a huge difference to a lot of kids & families (including us of course). I have attached a photo of a plan and also an adventure park that I think would be a good option by [redacted] playgrounds for commercial use. My plan would be to keep it simple & not actually make too many changes to the general layout, which would also keep costs down (eg, keep the swings where they are as safety clearance etc already mapped out, just update & make the older swings into a double). Unless the whole play area is to be made bigger of course, then that's a whole other story! I will also bullet point my suggestions/comments below: * Bins to be set outside the railings - it's not hygienic to be sitting right next to a bin & i've seen young kids pulling themselves up on them. The bins can go the other side of the railings but within reach for them to be used from inside the park. (I have mapped an additional bin on my plan as litter can be a problem). * I have mapped a couple more benches (if space allows) within the park. Parents/care givers are tired beings and these would be greatly appreciated! * if there's any way if a new slide is introduced, could it not be steel or a material that's gets extremely hot in summer and poses a safety hazard? Apologies, the adventure park on my suggestion shows one, but maybe there are other materials for slides nowadays that are more suitable for hot weather....? * I am assuming you'll replace the entry gates with a more up-to-date swing shut mechanism that can be closed properly so the kids can't get out so easily!	Very supportive with many suggestions and ideas plus a design. One toddler and another due

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		* May I suggest some form of signage regarding 'suggested age ranges', particularly for the adventure park and older swings. This could mean the older kids don't take over too much & allow the younger ones to play more confidently, as they can also use the outside play area. Adventure park - the picture I have attached shows an inclusive climbing system. I think it could be effective because: *it's reasonably enclosed on the upper level, posing much less of a safety risk & will appeal to a wider age range. The grown ups also relax a lot more when they aren't telling the kids not to fall out the whole time! * there is a sensory area at the bottom, which will also appeal to older babies as otherwise they only really have the baby swings. *steps up seem safe & the slide is a good height & width. * that area of the park is large and not utilised, so hopefully this would be a great addition and make the most of the space. Obviously I am not privy to the scale/measurements etc but hopefully this could be a bit helpful. I have tried to leave enough space for people to get round each other on the plan, but of course if you think more equipment can be fitted in too that's great! I guess if there was any budget left over, something else could be added in for the older kids/teens by the basketball court.... If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me and thanks for your time. Kind regards, Mrs Rebecca	

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3	1/3/21	I am about to move on to Fiveheads Road and have 2 young children that love parks. To see that the below is being proposed to give the park an upgrade is fantastic news to us, and so me and my family would very much like to back the proposals please! It gives the children a place they can enjoy, brings out new parents to meet possibly and gives the area lift without taking away from its character and charm. Many Thanks Robert	Fantastic news, we have 2 young children
4	1/3/21	I have seen your request for feedback via your facebook page. I live close to the play park in question and my own children have thoroughly enjoyed using the facilities over the years. I think it is great that this is seen as an important community resource for children and would like the following to be taken into consideration please: 1. The age of the children using the facilities. Presently there is a nice mixture of 'baby swing' and 'big swing', and I feel it is important to cater both for the little pre-schoolers and the bigger primary aged children. 2. The suitability of the equipment. I have always felt that the current slide/climbing frame combo is a bit ridiculous as the side of the slide indicates suitability for very little ones - but the complex climbing frame is a really bad design for little ones. 3. The Rocker. Please ensure any replacement for this does not have the design where something is jutting out of it's neck which little ones will knock their teeth out on. This happened about 15 years ago (with a giraffe design I think) and we (parents) did complain, so thankfully it was swapped out. But that cost could have been saved in the first place with careful consideration by consulting parents of children in that age group helping to select the actual items installed. 4. Environment. Obviously we would like this to have longevity, and safety, but also environmental impact could be considered. 5. There is currently a large number of children in my road, living closest to the park. I think we have 18 aged from baby up to 16. Therefore, it would be lovely to have somethings suitable for all ages (at least up to 12). Many thanks, Gwen	Great idea. Lots of children near here

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5	1/3/21	As a neighbour of the park (48 Five Heads Road) and a parent to 2 boys aged 4 and 6 i would love to see some improvements made to Five Heads Park. I recall the park being the same when I was in my early teens and have barely seen any changes since then expect the introduction of the roped area which I believe is due to remain. Of course I am also conscious of the attraction this may draw from youngsters who may congregate in the park and potentially bringing more anti social behaviour but I don't feel that should prevent the improvements being made which will definitely benefit children in the area who don't have a good park close to them. Maybe the council could consider ways to monitor any potential increase in anti social behaviour at the same time as introducing the new park. I am not sure exactly what equipment would be best for the ages but new safe equipment would be nice. The Petersfield heath has recently had new equipment which looks great and seems to have gone down well. It might be nice to have some space for picnic benches if the area was to be expanded, these would be better inside the gated area as the park does have alot of dogs off the lead which not all children like and can find intimidating. More bins and signs regarding dog fouling would be beneficial as the field does seem to be covered in dog poo. Would be happy to be involved with any additional discussions on the park if required. Thanks for your time! Laura	With boys of 4 & 6 would love to see some improvements
6	1/3/21	I believe the park would benefit from a new roundabout, possibly double ended swings for parent and child and a zip line. Thank you Holly	Support for new items
7	1/3/21	I have just seen that you are proposing to upgrade the park on Five Heads road and are asking for opinions on this matter. I think it would be great for young children to have an updated park here. Our garden overlooks the playing fields and so it's very local for us. I have a 7 year old and 2 year old. My only concern would be if it was changed to something different for older children/ teenagers for example as being a resident that backs on to the field I know this could become an issue. Would the park be staying in the same area of the playing fields? Kind regards	This would great. I have a 7 yr and a 2yr old

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8	1/3/21	I have just seen your Facebook post about the proposed upgrade the play area at Five Heads Rec. As a resident of St Anns Road for 20+ years with three school age children [15], [11] & [8], I have asked them what they would like to see with the upgraded facilities and they have said the following: - - A] replace the roundabout with a better one - B] a better slide/climbing frame for the older children - C] more than one swing for the older children - D] another seat included within the fenced off area. - E] a seesaw for more than one person As an parent, my children have used these facilities since they were small, my 11 & 8 year olds don't use the play area as much now, as (mentioned above) the existing equipment is best suited for younger children, so is 'too babyish' for [say] over 6 year olds and if they go to the park together or with friends there are limitations on what they can do which usually ends in frustration as the only thing they can really play on together is the roundabout, as the slide is too small and the swing is singular! When they were younger the existing slide, single seesaw and the double swings were well used so these should be retained or improved for the younger children within the community. For the teenagers its less really about play equipment or 'playing' and more about sitting around 'hanging out' so not a lot of realistic suggestions from my 15 year old except more seating, cover from the rain and phone charging points and Wi-Fi!! I did give him the 'really' look with the phone charging and Wi-Fi, but sign of the times and all that! From my perspective, retaining the fenced off area is a good idea as it has stopped my children when they were toddlers making a run for it! but also it does prevent dogs which are off the lead using the play area as a toilet. And lastly, the use of the facilities for mid to late teenagers usually occurs late in the day/evening or when it's dark, and they just sit around up there, adding more bins maybe helpful but then teenagers could have a bin 2 foot away and they would still throw rubbish on the ground, so not a lot you can do about this! As a footnote unrelated to the above but relevant to Five Heads Rec, the slope from St Anns to the playing fields has been used more than normal due to the lockdown, and has become a muddy bank devoid of much of its grass; I have witnessed a number of people [old and young] slip up and fall over on it, especially when it's wet and very slippery; with the dry weather it is fine but after a few days of rain it becomes quite bad. I have had to assist a couple of older ladies coming down the bank as they were not sure of their footing and indeed teenagers have also slipped up on it! This needs to be addressed before someone potentially slips up and hurts themselves. Regards	Very supportive and children used it a lot when younger

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9	2/3/21	Just adding my say to the proposal to upgrade Five Heads Road playground. Would be a lot safer if it got upgraded as I have personal experience cracking my head open on this park as a kid. I also live opposite the park and as it is now it's a bit of an eyesore since it's so old. I hope the proposal is approved. Thanks in advance! Kind regards Lauren	Very supportive
10	2/3/21	As a member of the Horndean community for some years now, I would like to put forth my view on the proposed refurbishment of the five heads play area. I am in full agreement that this does need a full upgrade, I would say the playground is outdated could be so much better. This is a large area where I bring my son who loves the swings but there is little to go on for older children. You could make it bigger and better to give the children the outdoor space which will help mental wellbeing. Thank you for allowing us the space to send comments or suggestions. Kind regards Laura :	Full agreement for upgrade. Young son loves the swing but little for older children
11	3/3/21	I think an upgrade of the above area would be very welcomed by the local community. Myself and others I have spoken to would love for this area to be kept as a young children's playground – please no skate park/gym equipment or similar! Given the high number of young families in the area, I think small children would best benefit from this upgrade.	Very welcome idea – keep as young children playground
12	5/3	I look forward to seeing the plans! Kind regards, Frances It'd be really great to see this site upgraded and made fresh as it is looking and feeling old – I used the previous play area when it backed onto the football club fence many years ago (when you could cheekily watch a match by climbing to the top of the frame) and having grown up and moved away I am now moving back to Horndean this month just around the corner. My daughter is coming up to 18 months old and uses the play facilities where we are in Portsmouth daily, so it would be of great pleasure to have the ability to use this site on our doorstep for many years to come rather than have to take unpaved and unit access via the Bridle path to Jubilee's facilities or drive there. Mathew	Will move here soon with 18month old so it would be great to have it upgraded
13	7/3	I am writing to you to give my support in updating the horndean park play area. I have a 3 year old and 1 month old who will really benefit from this being updated and being (in my opinion) a safer place to play. The play area is very old and could be much more child friendly and targeted to both toddlers and young children. It is currently very basic and the only parts that get used are the slide and swing. I will be very happy, as will my children, when this is updated to a higher and safer standard.	Fully support. My 3yr old and 1month old will really benefit.

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14	7/3	Many thanks Pippa My husband and I wish to express our support of the proposal to revamp the children's play area on the field on Five Heads Road in Horndean. We live on Queens Crescent at the end of St Ann's Road so the park is very much our local, however we often find ourselves walking or even driving to other parks that have a lot more to offer our children in terms of excitement and quality. The equipment in the children's park is old and tired with not much variety, and we know that there are many children in the local area, particularly those falling within catchment of Horndean Infants and Junior Schools, who would benefit from something a lot more modern in its place. Please consider us as supporters of this proposal. Yours faithfully, Andrea	Excellent idea, as we often have to drive to other parks that offer our children more excitement and quality
15	8/3	Hello. I think upgrading 5 Heads Rec in Horndean is a great idea. I frequently visit with my 8 year old daughter and 11 year old son and feel the play equipment is well past its sell by date. It is also mainly for small children. A decent set of swings and some monkey bars or a bigger climbing structure would be greatly appreciated. I hope this funding gets approved. Thanks, Emma	Great Idea as its very old now. Frequently visit with our children
16	9/3	I wish to give my support to the proposal to upgrade the play area at Five Heads Recreation Ground. I use the area on a regular basis with my granddaughter and as we have just lost our beloved library, there are few local areas that are available for us so I feel the field and play ground are very important to the community. The play area is a joy to go to and if it can be upgraded, that would be wonderful. Regards Lynne	Regularly visit with granddaughter and an upgrade would be wonderful
17	10/3	I support the upgrade of Five Heads Road Play area. I often use it with my two children as I live near by. If it was possible I would recommend making it slightly larger to add variety for all ages, such as the park on hazelton way. The park on hazelton way is able to entertain my children for longer than the Five Heads Road one currently. The rope walk section is great but is limited on playability and children quickly move on, the swings part nearest the football pitch car park is the greatest asset to the rope walk. Kind regards Adam	Often use it with my two children so support its upgrade
18	FB	Hannah Shaw I will support, we use this park often!	I will support, we use this park often!
19	FB	us too x Charlotte	
20	FB	Charley Strange Definitely needs doing. Hope it goes through	Definitely needs doing. Hope it goes through

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21	FB	Would be so much better if they updated it. The round about ain't worked since I was a kid over 10 years ago at least , only good thing is the swings. Need more stuff and better stuff	Would be so much better if they updated it.
22	FB	Alice I wahoo!	amazing!!!
23	FB	Lisa Marie amazing!!!	This would be amazing! Definitely needs doing!!
24	FB	Debbie This would be amazing! Definitely needs doing!!	fully support the renewal play area & have 2 small children who enjoy the play area
25	phone	Mr & Mrs . Contact telephone (.) they live local to Five heads and have 2 small children who enjoy the play area. As a family the walk around the recreation grounds daily.	fully support upgrade. we have 4 young children & we don't use the current playground as it is very old and dilapidated and not safe enough
26	30/1/22	I fully support the proposal to upgrade the playground on Five Heads Road. We have lived in Highcroft Lane for 4 years and have 4 young children, we don't use the current playground as it is very old and dilapidated. We have to walk over to the playground in Catherington Lane to use a safer more modern playground. We would love to be able to use the playground in Five Heads Road and look forward to an updated, more safe play area. Many thanks , Nigel	local resident with two young children and agree this park could really do with an upgrade.
27	29/1/22	I am a local resident with two young children and agree this park could really do with an upgrade. We moved to horndean from Portsmouth in summer 2020 where we were spoilt for great parks. If the funds are available for a small version of milton park that would be great. With a nice park at jubilee it would be good to compliment this with some different play equipment such at monkey bars, swings for older children, a taller swing for little children (the current one at five heads is so small you don't get much swing). Thanks, James	local resident with two young children and agree this park could really do with an upgrade

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28	31/1/22	I would like to submit my support for the overhaul of the park situated at the Recreation Ground, Five Heads Road, Horndean. I recently moved to the area with my young family and use this park as it is the closest to my home. I have to admit, I was a little shocked to see that the park is pretty much the park I used to play on in the mid-90s, only moved into the middle of the Recreation Ground rather than against the fence. I grew up in Horndean and loved the Recreation Ground, spending hours upon hours there playing in the park in the goals (which are no longer there). While we use the park regularly, we do often have to travel to Denmead or even further afield if we want something bigger and better for the kids. It is clear that the town is growing exponentially in numbers and I feel this park is in desperate need for a revamp. I will wholly support you in what you need as I feel my efforts would not be wasted if it means the new generation get to enjoy the hours upon hours I once did in the park. Kind regards, Liam	I support the overhaul of the park. my young family uses this park as it is the closest to my home. I was a little shocked to see that the park is pretty much the park I used to play on in the mid-90s. I feel this park is in desperate need for a revamp.
29	7/2/22	I support the play park in five heads road. I go frequently with my nearly 2 year old son, and although he enjoys going, it really could do with a facelift, it's tired, shabby and just needs to be a bit more fun. As a horndean resident and a regular visitor to the park, I'm totally for the new park. Thanks, Chantelle	I go frequently with my nearly 2 year old son. it really could do with a facelift, it's tired, shabby and needs to be a bit more fun. I'm totally for the new park.
30	9/2/22	I would like to show my support to carry out the upgrade to Five heads recreational play area. Our children love going there and as the play area is limited and dated an upgrade would be beneficial and very much appreciated. Kind regards, Louise	I support the upgrade to Five heads recreational play area. Our children love going there. It is limited and dated an upgrade would be beneficial and very much appreciated.
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