

Appendix A

Comments from consultation.

1. There was an even spread of people who wanted the following traditional types of equipment.

- Swings, Slide, Climbing structure

Less people wanted the following but was still popular

- Seesaw/Springer, Monkey bars, Rotating equipment

2. When given the chance to give other ideas the following responses were given.

- Obstacle course
- Zip line, tyre swing, sand pit, seating for parents close to toddler areas to allow some independence without being too far away
- Mini trampoline built in the ground
- Tunnel, climbing wall
- Equipment that allows disabled children to use the park
- In floor trampoline; balancing bars; long rope swings
- My children really enjoy balance beams and climbing items in particular.
- Consideration should be given to installing a more nature focused play space, with appropriate planting, taking account of the health benefits this would have for children
- Big slide
- Bridge
- Accessible equipment
- Zip Wire
- Inset trampoline
- Fort
- Sensory, accessible structure to all ages
- Sand pit... multi person see saw.... Wendy house.
- Rope ladder, climbing wall (along not up), fireman pole
- Accessible equipment and surface to enable disabled children to join in
- Interactive "puzzle " type structures / accessible equipment for disabled child
- Zip wire, climbing wall, sit on rope structure swing
- Mini trampoline. Earth mounts with wooden assault course around edge to make use of place. Climbing frame with in- built swing/made use of lower areas as well as higher ones.
- Swirly wirly slide
- There are lots of children with disabilities that live near to the Playpark. Both us and our next door neighbour have primary aged children who are wheelchair users. It would be wonderful if there was an adapted swing to enable them to use the Playpark. It's something they both love and would make a big difference as the other adapted Playparks are a drive away.
- HGS Mirage Inclusive Seat (These are the best design. Others are hard solid plastic that are hard to move out the way to lift the child in and out) - There is currently nothing there for children who are wheelchair bound and need support to be able to sit in the swings etc. Roundabouts that are floor level for wheelchairs to wheel on to are great too.
- Floor games

- Musical jump pads. Maybe a number snake, and hopscotch painted into flooring. A swing for children with sensory needs, a round net swing.

We asked for any other comments:

- My children love this park but a few new additions would be amazing. A roundabout or monkey bars would be a hit
- It would be lovely to have a climbing frame with sides so it's safe for toddlers once they are up there
- Benches for carers and please consider this play area is largely in the direct sunshine all day some shelter or more trees to provide shade for little ones and consider what type of material the equipment is made off. Dark colours and reflective surfaces get too hot for the kids to use thank you
- Neutral design playgrounds made with wood and darker colours are a lot better rather than the bright plastic playgrounds as they are overstimulating for children, not good for the environment and not as aesthetically pleasing.
- Children love playing big world so flooring that represents roads, roundabouts, zebra crossing etc would be wonderful and a fun way for parents to promote road safety through shared play.
- Please consider disabled children but making equipment universal so everyone can use it, rather than segregation with 'disabled only' equipment.
- Its understandably hard to decide how and where to spend limited funds.. the children don't use the park at the moment as its not in good repair.. if a new park with updated equipment were there, hopefully it would become popular. Vandal proofing would be a good investment !!
- Sensory equipment. ie noise making,
- Really hope that disabled children can be included in the design principles, from the gate to the floor material and adaptive swings.
- Extending the park slightly and maybe moving it so there is more green, rather than green around it, make it half park half green please. Flowers would look nice for kids and passers by also. Make sure it is safe with no hidden spots for strangers to lurk, make it an open space to see through. Have cameras so children are safe to play who are old enough to go to the park with friends.