

# Tender for new play equipment at Daisy Bank, Stroud

## Background

Daisy Bank is a popular and well-used park at the end of Horns Road in Stroud. It is managed by the Green Spaces Team of Stroud Town Council with support from Friends of Daisy Bank (FODB), a voluntary group from the local community. The main piece of play equipment in the park is coming to the end of its lifespan.

FODB run an annual event to raise money for the park. They have committed £5,000 of funds. A nearby development is providing £12,000 of s106 money and Stroud Town Council is providing the remainder to renovate this much loved, but worn, part of the park. The s106 money must be spent before the end of December 2022.

## Aim

To replace and upgrade the existing play structures as pictured:



## Design Brief

- The current structure is extremely popular and the proposed replacement should aim to at least replace, or develop further the existing design elements. This should include the large existing play frame and the small see-saw items.
- The design should complement the other structures in the play area.
- Surfacing should be new sand.
- Where practicable, the materials should feel “natural”
- Where practicable, materials and processes of installation should be environmentally sustainable. We would expect details of how a provider will achieve this in their tender.
- Existing fencing is excluded from this work.



The replacement structure will provide play opportunity for the same age range as the current structure; 3-10 years. Key elements of the design will include provision for:

1) Climbing / Height

When climbing up high, children get a sense of achievement. Step-by-step children can build their self-confidence through climbing and learning to overcome natural fears of height. Along the way they also develop fine cross-coordination skills that ultimately help with learning in other areas such as reading.

2) Balancing

Balancing play helps children to develop their ability to concentrate and their eyesight. Two very basic skills that improve their readiness for school and their performance at school. A good sense of balance also improves the chances of further active play. Skills like running and kicking a ball both draw on a child's ability to balance correctly.

3) Sand play

Besides being fun, playing with sand has a huge developmental impact on children. Learning how to build things, collaborating and drawing in sand all give children a sense of success and stimulate their creative abilities.

## Health and Safety

Please note that the successful bidder will be required to submit a detailed risk assessment and method statement covering all of the works (including any subcontracted work) and waste disposal at least one week before work commences.

## Location

<https://goo.gl/maps/Rap8qBJovEn7f6da8>

Access is not straightforward for the site which is at the top of a sloped park. The nearest parking and flat area for a site safe is here:

<https://goo.gl/maps/zBaKQMAAs1CVLTwCM9>

It is recommended that bidders visit the site to assess the access prior to putting forward a tender. We regret to advise that we are not able to accommodate site meetings.

## Foundation Living Wage

Stroud Town Council is a Foundation Living Wage Employer and require that all personnel employed in connection with this project, including by any subcontractors, will be paid no less than the current Foundation Living Wage. [www.livingwage.org.uk](http://www.livingwage.org.uk)

## Budget

Total project costs should not exceed £36,000 ex VAT. This includes all works required.



## Tender timeline

Issue tender	17 June 2022
Last date for questions about the tender	1 July 2022
Closing date for submission of tender	<b>5pm on 15 July 2022</b>
Shortlisting	20 July 2022
Contract awarded	25 July 2022
Contract commences	August 2022
Install complete by	Sept 2022

## Documents to be submitted

- Form of tender
- Detailed quotation including the total project cost of removal and disposal, design (including illustration for assessment of play value), installation, resurfacing, commissioning and an independent post-installation safety inspection.
- An explanation of how materials and processes of installation will be environmentally sustainable.
- An outline of expected timeline including a commitment to a completion date.
- A summary of two similar projects that you have delivered successfully elsewhere with contact details for at least two referees.
- Details for any subcontractors to be employed on the contract.
- Confirmation that insurance for Public Liability is in place for all contractors working on the Contract with a minimum sum insured of £5,000,000.
- Details of any warranties or guarantees provided.

Any questions relating to the tender should be submitted by email to [council@stroudtown.gov.uk](mailto:council@stroudtown.gov.uk) by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Any additional information given will be shared with all other tender applicants through the Contracts Finder portal. Bidders are recommended to check the portal for any responses before submitting their tender.

## Tender Assessment Criteria and Weighting

Tenders will be assessed by Stroud Town Council and Friends of Daisy Bank (FODB). Play value will be assessed by a public consultation exercise carried out by FODB to engage existing users of the park.

### Criteria and weighting

30% Play Value (assessed by children and parents via FODB)  
 30% Value for money  
 20% Sustainability  
 10% Relevant experience  
 10% Ability to delivery in timeline



As per local council procurement policy **All tenders should be submitted in writing in an envelope marked DAISY BANK TENDER** to:

The Green Spaces Manager  
Stroud Town Council  
Thanet House  
58 London Road  
Stroud  
Glos.  
GL5 2AD

**by 5pm on 15 July 2022**