

Have your say North Heatons Play Area

The creation of the new play space for under 14s will be funded through commuted sums. Commuted sum contributions are made as part of the planning process for new housing developments and dedicated to improving play provision. The commuted sums have to be spent within a set distance of the contributing development which is why they can only be allocated to Heaton Moor Park or Peel Moat Open Space. There are positives and challenges to situating the new play area at either Heaton Moor Park or Peel Moat Open Space.

Heaton Moor Park

Moor Park's quadrant layout dates back to the park's creation in 1894 and is a key feature within the Heaton Moor Conservation Area. The play area would be situated next to the existing tennis courts. As the proposed new play space would provide a shared play space for both toddler and junior age children, the existing toddler play space would be relocated.

Advantages of situating the play area at Heaton Moor Park

- Its central location within the wider residential area makes it very accessible. There are 1840 households within approximately 10 minutes walking distance of the park entrance.
- This greenspace has existing recreational features. These include: a five-a-side pitch, tennis court, bowling green and circular walking route, so there is the increased opportunity for semi supervision of the play area by other park users.

Drawbacks of situating the playground at Heaton Moor Park

- The park's historical setting does make it more sensitive to change. If the new play area was installed at Heaton Moor Park, it would be located in the same quadrant as the existing tennis court. This would mean 3 out of the 4 quadrants would be dominated by play and sport facilities as the five-a-side football and the bowling green are located in two other quadrants.

Peel Moat Open Space

Peel Moat Open Space formed part of the former Stockport College campus and sports centre and was recently adopted by Stockport Council. A new access route was created through the greenspace in 2017 connecting Kingston Grove, Harmsworth Drive and Buckingham Road.

Advantages of situating the play area at Peel Moat Open Space:

- This larger greenspace has the available space to comfortably site a new play area and does not have the heritage constraints of Heaton Moor Park so is therefore less sensitive to changes.
- It has good access from St Thomas CE Primary School and Heatons School.

Drawbacks of situating the play area at Peel Moat Open Space:

- There are fewer households within 10 minutes walking distance of this park entrance (840 households).

•Peel Moat Open Space would not have the same level of semi supervision from other park users. It is generally a less used greenspace as it does not have the other park users available at Heaton Moor or the complimentary facilities such as the five-a-side pitch and tennis courts.

QUESTIONS

- 1) Are you,
 - a parent, carer, or grandparent of a child under the age of 14
 - a parent, carer, or grandparent of a child over the age of 14
 - other, please specify:
- 2) How important is it to you that children of different ages and abilities can play together in one shared space?
 - Very Important
 - Quite Important
 - Neither Important nor Un important
 - Not that Important
 - Not Important at all
 - Don't Know/Not Sure
- 3) Would you prefer the new play area to be situated at Heaton Moor Park or Peel Moat Open Space?
 - Heaton Moor Park
 - Peel Moat Open Space
 - Don't Know/Not Sure
- 4) How far do you agree or disagree that the proposed equipment should be included in the play area? (Please select one box in every row).

	Strongly Agree	Tend to Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Tend to Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know/Not Sure
1. Surf spinner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. 2.5 metre high net climber	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Ground level trampoline	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4. Three bay swing (with nest seat, cradle seats and flat seats)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Simulator-inclusive rocker	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6. Balancing pods	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Springy play	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Access whirl-inclusive rotator	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Embankment slide	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Junior seesaw	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

- 5) Please use this space to provide any comments you have about the play area including the proposed sites and the equipment.