

HOULDSWORTH PARK DISCRETIONARY WARD BUDGET

Report of the Director of Place Management

1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 Request for the allocation of £7,000 Discretionary Ward Budget towards play area improvements at Houldsworth Park.

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The play area at Houldsworth Park is categorised as a Neighbourhood Equipped Area of Play (NEAP).

- 2.2 Improvements are required to enhance the play opportunities within the play space so that it better meets community need.

- 2.3 The attached layout plan details the proposed improvements. This includes removing the existing climbing frame and timber swing frame which is of declining quality and replacing them with:

- Wheelchair accessible roundabout
- Double bay swing set with inclusive full body support seat
- Springer
- Balancing rotator

- 2.4 As part of the works surface improvements will be undertaken.

3. PROJECT COSTS

- 3.1 The project is estimated to cost £62,000.

- 3.2 £55,000 has been committed to this project from capital reserve, section 106 commuted sum and maintenance revenue.

- 3.3 £7,000 contribution is required from the Discretionary Ward Budget to allow for the delivery of the full scope of improvement works.

4. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 Area Committee is recommended to approve an allocation of £7,000 Discretionary Ward Budget to play area improvements at Houldsworth Park.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Anyone wishing to inspect the above background papers or requiring further information should contact Richard Booker on telephone number Tel: 0161 474 4829 or alternatively email richard.booker@stockport.gov.uk