

**DISCRETIONARY WARD BUDGET MARPLE SOUTH AND HIGH LANE**

Report of the Director of Place Management

**1. INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To request the allocation of £4,300 Discretionary Ward Budget to improvements at Brookside Park, High Lane.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 Brookside Park is an important recreational space for the community.
- 2.2 It is proposed that a new double bay swing be installed within Brookside Park play space. The swing frame will be fitted with;
- A basket nest seat that allows children of a wide range of age and abilities to enjoy. A single user or group of children can play together, encouraging socialising and interaction.
  - Mirage swing seat. This ergonomic swing seat is specifically designed to give children fully body support offering an inclusive swinging experience for children of varying abilities.
- 2.3 It is proposed a new community noticeboard will be fitted at the entrance to the park.

**3 PROJECT COSTS**

- 3.1 The total project cost to supply and install the double bay swing frame on safer surface is £14,000.
- 3.2 £11,000 is secured to this project, £2,400 contribution from the Friends of High Lane and Brookside Park and £8,600 in commuted sum. There is a budget shortfall of £3,000.
- 3.3 A new community noticeboard will cost £1,300.
- 3.4 An allocation of £4,300 from Discretionary Ward Budget would allow for the new swings and noticeboard to be delivered.

**4. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 4.1 Area Committee are recommended to allocate £4,300 of Discretionary Ward Budget improvements at Brookside Park, High Lane.

**BACKGROUND PAPERS**

There are none

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