

BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

CABINET

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BROMSGROVE PLAY ACTION PLAN

Responsible Portfolio Holder	Cllr June Griffiths
Responsible Head of Service (Acting)	John Godwin

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report requests Members to acknowledge and approve the Bromsgrove Play Action Plan to support the delivery of the outcomes of the Worcestershire Play Strategy 2007 to 2010.

2. RECOMMENDATION

The Cabinet is recommended to:

- 2.1 Approve the Bromsgrove Play Action plan and the action outlined within it.
- 2.2 Request officers to update action following the completion of the PPG17 Audit of the District.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As part of the County Wide Play Strategy and the preparation for a submission to the Big Lottery Fund (BIG), officers were required to produce a District Wide action plan to guide future developments in this area.
- 3.2 Members will find attached a copy of this action plan which covers all current activities in this area and the actions required in the future to deliver the County wide agreed outcomes for play and the priorities for change in Worcestershire.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no additional financial implication with in the Action Plan that are not currently included with in either the medium term financial plan or the forward capital programme.
- 4.2 Any additional sums of money contained with in the Action Plan are indicative costs and will be subject to usual budget submission process linked to the annual business planning/budget cycle.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no legal implications with in this report over and above the normal level of support provided to the Culture & Community Services department.

6. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

- 6.1 The proposed schemes links to the Council's objective CO2 Improvement and its priority of reputation and the Council's objective CO3 Sense of Community and Well Being and it's priority of Community Influence.

7. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 7.1 The main risks associated with the details included in this report are:

- *Potential over spend of the budget due to unforeseen issues on site.*
- *A suitable location may not be available within the Wythall area due to the Council's lack of land in this area.*
- *The costs associated with addressing the PPG17 review are unknown at present.*

- 7.2 Currently the risk identified in the (*first/second/third*) bullet point in 7.1 is not addressed by any risk register and will be added to the Culture & Community Service risk register. These risks will be controlled by the following methods:

- We will enter into a fixed price contract for the work to be undertaken. This will mitigate the risk to the Council by removing any assumptions within the quotation/contract and placing them with the contractor.
- Officer's will work with the Portfolio Holder, Ward Members and other organisations to ensure a suitable location is identified and agreement made for it's use. Should this not be the case Officer's will bring another report forward stating the issues that have arisen and potential solutions for further Member discussion and agreement.
- The requirements of the PPG17 review will be subject to a future report to Member's and this report will outline fully any risks associated with our proposed actions.

8. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 The proposed schemes contained within in the action plan will have no negative impact on the Council's customers and will be implemented in line with the Culture and Community Services play area consultation policy, which includes:

- Local consultation with residents to establish local requirements and location.
- Design consultation with those using the facilities.
- Displays erected in the local area.
- Implementation plans draw up with SS&WM team to cover grounds maintenance and inspection systems.
- Press opportunities and official opening by Portfolio Holder.
- Support package once facility opened lead by Community Safety team and Police CSO's.

9. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 9.1 There are no implications for the Council's Equalities and Diversity Policies.

10. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Please include the following table and spell out any particular implications in the relevant box. If there are no implications under a particular heading, please state 'None':-

Procurement Issues – These schemes are covered by the Council's Play framework contract.
Personnel Implications - None
Governance/Performance Management - None
Community Safety including Section 17 of Crime and Disorder Act 1998 – The schemes will be designed to address the implications of this legislation and meet the safer by design criteria.
Policy - None
Environmental - None

11. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT

Portfolio Holder	YES
Chief Executive	YES
Corporate Director (Services)	YES
Assistant Chief Executive	NO
Head of Service	YES
Head of Financial Services	YES
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	NO
Head of Organisational Development & HR	NO
Corporate Procurement Team	NO

12. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 Bromsgrove Play Action Plan

13. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- Worcestershire Play Strategy 2007 to 2010

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