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To: Alex Howard – Planning/Development Management – North Herts Council

Suggested Graveley Village playground improvements/equipment from Graveley Parish Council (GPC) (Approximate costs exclusive of VAT).

1. Improvement work to existing playground equipment

There are some items from the inspection report that require attention and therefore GPC would like to make those improvements.

They are as follows:-

Junior Multi activity (twist) – Treat with timber preserve and replace the scramble net fixings (due to rust). Cost £1,295.00

2. Replacement Swing

The current swing in the playground is very old and needs replacing. Costs to replace are as follows:-

To supply Kompan swing frame KWS902 with 21 cradle and 1 x junior seat

Installation

Removal and disposal of old swing frame

Supply and install 24 sqm Rubber Mulch@ 40mm

Heras fence site for the duration of the works

Cost £8,065.00

3. New gates

The current gates are wooden and there is a risk of finger entrapment between the gates and therefore a safety hazard. A new playground gate in metal and will have hydraulic closure and a maintenance gate to allow maintenance equipment into the area easily and safely.

Costs to replace are as follows:-

Remove existing gates, supply and install new metal combination maintenance gate, approx. with hydraulic self-closing pedestrian gate 1200mm wide and maintenance gate 1550mm wide, total 2750mm wide, all playground compliant.

Cost £2,500.00

4. Surface area material quote

Around various pieces of equipment there are weeds that grow in the surrounding area and therefore applying some sort of suitable surface material such as rubber mulch with help eliminate stinging nettles growing in those areas, keep the area dry and keep the units looking tidy and maintenance free.

Costs to supply are as follows:-

Slide, spinning post, see saw and springers, rubber mulch area to prevent stinging nettles and wear and tear of ground.

Rubber mulch

Prepare ground, chase in edges in preparation for rubber mulch, lay 70sqm rubber mulch @40mm thick onto double terram ground membrane. Includes heras fencing.

Cost £5,800.00

5. Replacement benches

There are two wooden benches in the playground, they are low down and are old and need replacing.

Costs to replace are as follows:-

Metal benches and surface material flooring to surround the area

Remove existing benches and install 2 new recycled plastic benches and to lay rubber mulch around bench to prevent wear and tear and nettle growth.

Cost £2,150.00

6. Other new equipment quote

Costs for additional equipment are as follows:-

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| a. Dish Roundabout, installation and rubber mulch | £4715.00 |
| b. Pinball game (Panel game) | £800.00 |
| c. 3 in one row game (Panel game) | £800.00 |

The total costs for the playground improvements to the Graveley village playground is approximately £26,125(exclusive of VAT).

If you have any questions or would like to discuss the above, please get in touch using the contact details below.

Regards

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