

Minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Milton Parish Council held on
Wednesday 2 June 2021 at 7:30pm held in Room 1 & 2 Milton Community Centre

Present: D Wildman (DW) (Chair), J E Coston (JEC), P Ellwood (PE), A Horne (AH), R Farrington (RF), A Markham (AM), A Latchem (AL), H Smith (HMS)

In Attendance: S Corder (Clerk)

Members of the Public: None

1 Apologies for absence

A Bradnam (Work), D Owen (work)

2 To CONSIDER extension of the contracted work at The Sycamores recreation ground to ensure continuity and safety of the general play area surface and to improve and extend the safety area of the roundabout

General Play area:

Option 1 (Recommended)

To apply a light spreading of soil and install turf over the remainder of the area £3910.00

To supply 90 Grass mats £33.00 Per mat £2970.00

To Install 90 Grass Mats £26.00 per mat £2340.00

Total Price £9220.00 less discount £8113.00

Or Option 2

To dig out and remove from site 150mm of bark then install topsoil and turf £6596.00

Less discount £5084.00

For Roundabout

To extend area and install stone base 14m @ £50m £700.00

To overlay existing tiles and extended area with 40mm thick eco flec wet pour @26m £71.50 =£1859.00

Total £2559.00 less discount £2251.00

Total cost of recommended options are £10,364.00 (From Capital Budget)

All prices are excluding VAT , discount prices apply provided all work is carried out at the same time

Concerns/questions raised by Councillors included:

That the proposed work will even out the level differences across the site particularly where the level of compaction varies including some areas that have been dug out by children.

That the drop from the end of the existing slide to the new wear pad included in the original quotation will meet current safety standards.

That new turf will be laid abutting that recently laid under the matting, and that there will be an even transition between both sets of matting to ensure a uniform level across the whole area for safety and ease of maintenance.

That an independent final ROSPA safety report will be completed in addition to Wicksteed's own report prior to handover of the completed play area to Milton Parish Council.

On a site visit, some of our Councillors noted that several cable ties were protruding above the matting which could be a hazard. Also some older children gained access through the safety fence with an

electric scooter. They were observed hanging on to the moving roundabout at speeds estimated at around 29mph. Can you confirm if that model is fitted with a speed governor that may not be operating properly, or if not, whether it is possible for one to be fitted.

DW to format the concerns/questions raised to be put forward to the Project Manager from Wicksteed. Clerk to arrange a meeting with Wicksteed's Project Manager, DW, RF and M Elsome (MPC Project manager) on-site to discuss the concerns.

DW Proposed to accept Option 1 £8,113.00 plus the roundabout work £2,251.00 – AM Seconded 7 In Favour 1 Against AGREED

MPC will approach MCC for 50/50 split of the extra costs.

Meeting closed at 8:45pm Signed: Date:

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