



## RECREATION FACILITIES REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2021

### Inspections

Two inspections were carried in November, the Q4 operational inspection by RoSPA on 15 November and the parish council monthly inspection conducted by Cllr Weeks and Cllr Grant on 20 November. From the two inspections four new findings were identified, together with two observations.

#### Findings:

- *At the School Lane entrance, a section of the old barrier has been dumped in the trees by the seat and litter bin. Recommendation, remove to avoid misuse. Action completed.*
- *There are autumn leaves on the surface of the basketball court. Recommendation to clear away when possible.*
- *There are autumn leaves on the surface of the MUGA. Recommendation to clear away when possible.*
- *Chest Press/Lat Pull, there is a rattling within the bearing second from the top on the "Lat Pull" activity. Recommendation, dismantle the unit and investigate the issue and make any necessary repairs/adjustments whilst the unit is still under warranty.*

#### Observations:

- *Recreation Ground - Monitor the painting work which has been undertaken since our last inspection. The rust is showing through the paint on the football goals. The same may happen to the basketball post. Metal should have been scaled back to good metal and then anti-rust treatment applied before painting.*
- *Millennium Green - Although the northern goal area is no worse than last month, it does have a significant dip that needs to be filled (possibly sand) in the short term until a permanent solution is funded next year.*

### Work completed in November

S J Aplin Playgrounds have completed the refurbishment of the seesaw, the minor works to the Jubilee Fort and installing the replacement crotch straps on the cradle seats on the swings.

### Correspondence

#### Caloo

I contacted Caloo on 18 November regarding the issue with the Chest Press /Lat Pull mentioned above. Caloo have logged the case onto their system and have confirmed that they will arrange for a site visit by a Caloo service engineer to dismantle the unit and investigate the issue and make any necessary repairs/adjustments, at no cost to the parish council. Currently awaiting confirmation of the date for the engineer to attend site.

There has been ongoing dialogue throughout the month with Caloo, relating to the approval of the drawing for the thermoplastic line marking of the basketball court. We are currently on the fifth iteration of the drawing.

### **Rust on new paintwork**

I have been in contact with the contractor about the rust leaching through the paintwork on the goalposts at the recreation ground. In his reply the quick drying paint used is proving unsuitable for longevity and he will address the problem in the spring using oil-based paint.

### **Logs Unlimited**

I have been in contact with Logs Unlimited to provide the parish council with an itemised quotation for the following work:

- 1) Clear away the autumn leaves from the basketball court in the recreation ground.
- 2) Clear away the autumn leaves from the MUGA in the recreation ground.
- 3) Fix a goal net, supplied by the parish council, to the goalpost nearest to John Blandy school in the recreation ground.
- 4) Fix goal nets, supplied by the parish council, to the goalpost at the Millennium Green.
- 5) Infill both goalmouths at the Millennium Green with sand.

**David Weeks**

**KBS Parish Councillor**

**6 December 2021**