

REPORT TO NMPC

Bunkers Lane Play Park Visit 11/05/2024



Councillors in attendance:

Lisa Bayley, Michele Berkeley, Alan Briggs, Nicola Cobb, Jamie Kitson, Steve Roberts

Accompanied by the Warden - Dave Drew . Report prepared by: Alan Briggs

Councillors met at the Bunkers Lane Play Park as arranged to review the issues raised in The Play Inspection Company report following their inspection on the 3rd April 2024.

Thanks to the Warden for giving his time to help Councillors fully understand the reported issues.

The Councillors concluded that only the matters detailed below needed attention, all other issues but considered to require no further action in the short term.

Nature / Woodland trail: In addition to the inspection considerations, Councillors would like to work with DBC nature specialists to design a trail through the park and its woodland area to provide signs with interesting / useful information. Given that NMPC only has a short-term lease on the park, consideration should be given to producing them using corrugated plastic sheet and to find fixing methods which are relatively low cost. The Clerk is requested to obtain contacts at DBC that the Playpark Working Group could work with on this project.

Entrance Sign

- Councillors propose that a new sign be designed and produced to be fixed to the entrance gate. The Clerk is requested to liaise with DBC and other councils about appropriate content and then coordinate the design / wording and provide quotations for review by Council. In addition to combining all relevant points from the existing signs, the new sign should include warnings on the following themes:
 - The park is unsupervised and for use at visitor's own risk.
 - Adults must supervise the children that they bring to the park.
 - Nash Mills Parish Council organises regular inspections to ensure that the play equipment.
 - The park is rustic in nature and may include moss / algae / debris on paths and play equipment surfaces.
 - The play equipment includes wood which may have splinters or rough edges.
 - The grass is mowed in accordance with Dacorum Borough Council schedules.
 - Issues or concerns should be reported to clerk@nashmillsparis council.gov.uk

Gates

It has been established that there is no easy fix to the fact that the gates do not close properly. The Clerk is requested to obtain quotations to install padding around both gates on the sides where they touch – to eliminate the risk if trapped or crushed fingers.



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1 Bay 2 Seat Cradle Swing



The Clerk is requested to obtain quotations to replace these swing seats for consideration by Council.

Resi-PD survey

The Clerk is requested to obtain quotations for the recommended Resi-PD surveys for the “2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket Seat” and “1 Bay 2 Seat Cradle” swings.

2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket Seat



The Warden should continue to regularly inspect the tape – and replace when necessary.

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Log Walk



Two loose platform tops have already been removed.
The Warden should continue to regularly inspect these tops – and remove others if / when necessary.

Multi Play (Junior)

The bottom ladder rung has a notable crack.
The Warden should regularly inspect this item and report if it deteriorates.



Rocking Equipment / Spring See-Saw

The Inspection Report refers to filler. It should be noted that this item ***does not have any filler.***

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Multi Play (Toddler)

Some platform tops are loose / damaged – these are not identified in the Inspection report.



The Warden should regularly inspect these item and remove the platforms if they deteriorate further.

Football Goal

The Clerk is requested to enquire with DBC whether they could re-seed the grass under the goal at the appropriate time (autumn?).

