



NORTH LEVERTON WITH HABLESTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

Play Area Working Group

Update Report April 2025

On the 11th of March Cllr Steels and Cllr M Ferguson went to the school where they spoke with the children regarding what new play equipment they would like, they were warmly greeted by the head teacher and her staff where they took part in a special assembly which was attended by the all the children which comprised of around 50 children aged between 4 and 11 along with the faculty.

The Councillors introduced themselves explaining who they are, the purpose of the visit and let them know that their thoughts and opinions were important in the outcome of the project.

They spoke about a few ideas that they had come up with and offered pictures to illustrate what they were looking to put in to the park and asked for a show of hands to gauge interest in our ideas and the results were as follows –

Trim Trail – 30 hands (60%)

Pipe/Tunnel – 19 hands (38%)

Roundabout – 27 hands (54%)

Raising the fencing around the MUGA – 16 (32%)

There was an over whelming response to the skateboard ramp, that seemed massively popular which garnered 50 hands so a whopping 100% show for that idea!!

Following that they then opened the floor and asked the children for thoughts of what they would like, the first one was a fantastic suggestion of a bike rack so they had somewhere they could easily store their bikes while they went to play with other ideas including football nets on grass, a bigger slide, trampoline and finally, a swimming pool!! (They did not get any names of the children who offered these suggestions)

They are planning on having a public consultation at the Chapel on May 24th and look to do similar consultation where they will show illustrations and then mark down peoples preferences on the flip chart and also invite suggestions, see what is feasible and then present them to the Parish Council for consideration. They will then begin to look to compile prices and compare quotes and recommendations for presentation to the Council in order to obtain approval to begin works.