

Additional Supporting Document in respect of Agenda item 10. Old Road play area

c) To consider and agree the proposal by Cllr Chapman to investigate the feasibility of installing lighting at Old Road play area

Response provided by a member of the public:

"I'm not sure whether the proposed lighting is to enable kids to play in the dark, or to enable passers by to see any anti-social behaviour. Either way, I find it a little odd that, when councils across the country are reducing lighting for both economy and environmental considerations, KMS is actually considering increasing it. Please don't spend my council tax on further environmental degradation."

e) To consider and agree the proposal by Cllr Chapman to carry out the following improvements to the half basketball court:

I. back netting to complete the original brief

- i) option a - curved wooden backstop @ £1639.20**
- ii) option b - plain fencing @ £700**

II. repair the surface to a professional standard - no quotation provided

"Following our pre start meeting yesterday I thought I would drop you an email regarding the recreational basketball area.

Although the pad is not level, it has been created to minimise the cut and fill across the area and so reducing the unnatural levels. It has been created using a hard-core base with mesh and a play carpet finish. In this instance I think it is probably the best surface that could be used because of the carpets noise absorbing qualities. One of the biggest issues we get when laying a tarmac surface for the use of basketball near housing is the 'pinging' noise that is made when a properly inflated basketball hits the tarmac. It can be very loud and the noise can easily carry in the wind.

I had noticed that the corner of the carpet has been forcibly lifted recently. My colleague, when fitting the new roundabout will endeavour to stick this down when he is on site.

I look forward to seeing the new roundabout installed and being used.

Regards

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