To receive a report on the progress of work on Town Council Play parks and consider any actions and associated expenditure

<u>Previous minutes - Services Minutes held 9th February 2023</u>

116/22/26 TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE TOWN COUNCIL PLAYPARKS AND CONSIDER ANY ACTIONS AND ASSOCIATED EXPENDITURE

The SDM provided a verbal overview on the report received and circulated within the reports pack.

Members discussed the urgency to improve play areas within Saltash with some play areas not being fit for use due to location.

Members asked if the Town Council play areas could be assessed, and suitable proposals be received for further consideration at a future Services Committee meeting.

It was proposed by Councillor Peggs seconded by Councillor P Samuels and **RESOLVED** that the SDM obtains three quotes for new equipment and design of the Town Council playparks reporting back at a future Services meeting.

<u>Update:</u>

Three contractors have now visited site and surveyed and inspected in detail each park.

Two contractor reports and proposals have now been received, the third is due by Friday 12th May.

It is proposed the two reports received to date will be presented to members at the Services meeting on Thursday 27th April in order for members to review and assess progress.

ROSPA Annual Audit 2023

Our annual ROSPA audit will take place on 26th April, the schedule of works to repair and replace external and internal infrastructure will be reviewed, discussed and agreed as part of this audit.

Once the scope of works and the appropriate specifications have been agreed, quotations will be sought and presented to members for their consideration and approval.

Funding

Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL)

reference funding a press release was issued in early April by Cornwall Council in relation to the launch of the latest round of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) fund; this fund is focussed on supporting children and young people.

The previous round supported projects including **play areas**, **play equipment**, skate parks, pre-schools and schools.

Below is a relevant extract from the CIL web page:

Round 3

The third CIL Fund round opened on Monday 3 April 2023. This allows

- · constituted community groups, including local councils, and
- not for profit organisations

to bid for between £20,000 and £100,000.

The fund is available to support local infrastructure projects which help to either:

- alleviate the impact of development on an area,
- or help development to come forward,
- and focus on supporting children and young people.

Any eligible group or organisation that would like to apply for CIL funding, needs to submit an Expression of Interest form. This needs to be submitted before 5pm on Thursday 22 June 2023.

Projects that are considered suitable for CIL support, will then be invited to submit a full application. Groups and organisations will be given a further four months to develop this. Successful projects are expected to be announced in early 2024.

Anyone wishing to apply should:

- read the Expression of Interest guidance document
- and complete the Expression of Interest form (<u>Expression of Interest PDF version</u> or <u>Expression of Interest word version</u>).

The completed form should be sent <u>cil@cornwall.gov.uk</u> before 5pm on Thursday 22 June 2023. Any forms received after this deadline will not be accepted. It is proposed to members that STC apply for the funding and submit an Expression of Interest form before 5pm on Thursday 22nd June 2023.

Budget Code: 6571 EMF Saltash Recreation Areas

Budget availability 2023-2024 : £59,500

End of report Service Delivery Manager