

## ANGUS COUNCIL

RECREATION & CULTURAL SERVICES COMMITTEE – 6 JUNE 2002  
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## PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND SAFETY SURFACING PROGRAMME

JOINT REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF LEISURE SERVICES AND THE DIRECTOR OF  
PROPERTY SERVICES**ABSTRACT**

To update the Committee on progress in implementing the Risk Assessment reduction programme and recommended sites for action within 2002/03 to further reduce levels of risk

**1. RECOMMENDATION(S)**

It is recommended that the Committee agree to:-

- a) the continuation of improvements to play equipment and surfacing at play areas identified as having comparatively higher levels of risk to be funded from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund.
- b) Approve the bid for supplementary funding in the sum of £33,000 from the property Renewal and Repair Fund

**2. BACKGROUND /PROPOSALS**

It is proposed to continue the phased playground equipment safety surfacing programme by undertaking works at:

Auchmithie  
 Boyle Park, Forfar  
 Threewells Drive, Forfar  
 Dempster Park, Letham  
 South Links, Montrose  
 Esk Road, Montrose  
 Ashludie Terrace, Monifieth  
 Brook Street, Monifieth

as these sites have been identified as the priorities in the high risk category programme.

The 29 play areas either completed or contract works outstanding from the previous two phases are:

- Inverauldie
- Pitskelly, Carnoustie
- Market Muir, Forfar
- The Curlie, Montrose
- Bogindollo
- Craichie
- Springfield Park, Arbroath
- India Street Montrose
- Steele Park, Forfar
- Little Nursery, Montrose
- Adams Way, Montrose
- Inch Park, Brechin
- Fettes Way, Montrose
- Drumachlie Park, Brechin
- Market Street, Brechin
- Padanarm
- Newtyle
- Ballister Park, Carnoustie
- Glamis
- Lilybank Crescent, Forfar
- Inverkeillor
- Mountskip, Brechin
- Frioekheim Park
- The Hill Kirriemuir
- Hillhead Terrace, Kirriemuir
- Grampian Park, Forfar
- Baillie Wilson Way, Montrose
- Langlands Park, Forfar
- Public Park, Brechin

and these were all deemed to be unacceptable risk elements and were previously reported in reports 589/00 and 885/01.

### **3. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

The cost of the playground equipment and safety surfacing works for the eight identified projects is estimated at £33,000 including fee provision. These costs cannot be contained within the Leisure Services Revenue budget for 2002/03. It is therefore necessary for supplementary funding to be made available from the Property Renewal and Repair Fund to carry out the necessary urgent repairs.

The works detailed in this report can be contained within the provisions of the Property Renewal and Repair Fund for 2002/03.

### **4. HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

There are no human rights implications associated with this report.

### **5. CONSULTATION**

The Chief Executive, the Director of Law and Administration, the Director of Finance and the Director of Housing have been consulted in the preparation of this report.

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### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**NOTE:** The following background papers, as defined by Section 50D of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 (other than any containing confidential or exempt information), were relied on to a material extent in preparing this report.

Report No 885/01 – Recreation and Cultural Services Committee – 16 August 2001