Batheaston Playground Working Group

Terms of Reference

1. The Batheaston Playground Working Group oversees the development, enhancement and maintenance of the Parish Council's Playground. It is constituted in accordance with the Council's Standing Orders, Section 4).

2. Specifically, the Group shall have responsibility in two areas:
   1. The playground development:
      a. To engage with the local community and associated groups with the planning of the new playground area.
      b. To draw on expertise in the community to support this development.
      c. To apply for grant funding and seek local business support.
      d. To provide new playground options based on the available budget, to residents for their views and suggestions.
      e. To present final recommendations to Full Council for approval.
      f. To oversee the installation of new equipment, seating, pathways, planting and landscaping.
      g. To ensure that funding – including that already secured from the Enovert Trust – is effectively used, in accordance with the requirements of each grant.
      h. To coordinate with other working groups where appropriate to avoid duplication of effort and optimise the playground experience in the future.

   2. General playground up-keep and maintenance
      a. To engage with the local community to seek their support and engagement.
      b. To provide an environment that is welcoming and engaging for all in the community and supporting initiatives that enhance the space through planting, seating areas and shading.
      c. To manage the day to day up-keep of the equipment, pathways, planted areas and boundary fences.
      d. To ensure that the Playground is safe for all users, reviewing the regular formal Inspection Reports and ensuring that remedial action is undertaken in a timely manner.
      e. To liaise with the Clerk to manage maintenance tasks undertaken by the Council's staff and contractors.
      f. To undertake small maintenance and planting tasks when required and if capabilities allow.
      g. Make proposals to Council for funding where this is required.

Membership

1. Initial membership will include Cllr Pavlou (as lead), Cllrs Lewis and Skelton.
2. Membership is open to all and it is hoped it will be a mixture of residents and active groups in the community.

Timescales and Reporting

1. The Group will report to Council meetings regularly (at least quarterly)
2. Cllr Lea and other members of the Working Group will keep the wider community informed.

Cllr Alexis Pavlou
Richard Maccabee – Parish Clerk