

TARBERT PLAY PARK UPDATE REPORT

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the work carried out with the Tarbert Play Park Group and a subsequent presentation to the Tarbert Community Council on Thursday 9 November on renewing the Tarbert Play Park.
- 1.2 It was previously reported to the MAKI Area Committee in September 2023 that the Tarbert Play Park was in the process of being upgraded as the equipment was previously removed for safety concerns. At that time there was £80k funding in place to do this as well as a plan for the placement of new equipment and groundworks.
- 1.3 Local members raised an issue which had been reported through social media and representation to them from the local Community Council in that locally they were very unhappy about the delays in getting the play park equipment in situ. It was agreed at the MAKI Area Committee that the Network and Standards Manager would attend and discuss the current situation with the Tarbert Community Council. It was further agreed to apportion £20k from the Scottish Government Play Park Funding to support the play park.
- 1.4 The Network and Standards Manager contacted the Tarbert Play Park Group which consists of a number of local residents, parents, grandparents who have a vested interest in the play park. The initial play park plan arranged through Roads and Infrastructure Services with equipment was passed to them and they were asked for feedback.
- 1.5 The group responded confirming that having had discussions locally with residents and school children they felt this did not fit in with what locals wanted, and they provided an update that locally residents and children wanted a Zip Wire

3.3 The Network and Standards Manager has been identified as the single point of contact for the Community Council and the Tarbert Play Park group. Relevant updates will be given at the appropriate times.

4.0 IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Policy The play park tendering will adhere to Argyll and Bute Councils procurement policies.

4.2 Financial Funding of £100k is in place to cover the works.

4.3 Legal The play park tendering will adhere to the procurement legislation.

4.4 HR None known

4.5 Fairer Scotland Duty: None Known

4.5.1 Equalities - protected characteristics none known

4.5.2 Socio-economic Duty Provision of the play park conforms to the Scottish Government and local policies regarding healthy children and communities.

4.5.3 Islands N/A.

4.6. Climate Change All equipment will adhere to legislative standards and meet eco standards.

4.7 Risk Previously we have tendered for play park works which have received no tenders. There is a risk that no tenders will come forward for this work.

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