

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Leisure and Arts Services Committee 17 March 2003

REPORT ON: Play Areas Improvements – Phase 4

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Arts

REPORT NO: 228-2003

1.0 Purpose of Report

To gain the Committee's approval for Phase 4 of the Play Area Improvements Programme.

2.0 Recommendations

The Committee is asked to approve:

2.1 Phase 4 of the Play Area Improvements Programme.

3.0 Financial Implications

3.1 Funding of £124,000 is available from The Quality of Life Fund in the 2003/2004 Revenue Budget and £250,000 can be funded from the Leisure and Arts Department's 2003/2004 Capital Budget.

4.0 Local Agenda 21 Implications

4.1 The equipment that has been removed where possible will be refurbished and re-used to improve other areas. The equipment and materials that are not re-used will be repaired for recycling. This will ensure that removal of the play equipment does not create a problem of excessive disposal of materials and the environmental implications that may result.

4.2 All materials will be sourced from renewable resources where possible. It is proposed to install seats and litter bins of recycled plastic. Safety surfacing will be of recycled material wherever possible.

4.3 The resulting play areas after refurbishment will be a safe and secure local asset to Dundee.

5.0 Equal Opportunities Implications

5.1 The refurbished Play Areas will be integrated as far as possible to ensure that people of all abilities will be able to access the facility and enjoy a fulfilling play environment.

5.2 Play facilities will be provided to interest children and young people of all age groups.

6.0 Main Text

6.1 Reference is made to the Leisure Services Committee of 19 June 2000, Article III where the Committee approved a 6 year phased programme of play area removal and refurbishment.

6.2 Phases 1,2 and 3 have been successfully completed.

6.3 Quality of Life Funds of £124,000 have been made available in 2003/2004 for playground refurbishment and has been included in the proposed Phase 4 programme.

6.4 The Committee is asked to approve the Phase 4 programme of play area refurbishment. A list is attached as Appendix I

6.5 The individual play areas will be the subject of future tender reports to Committee.

7.0 Consultations

The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services and Director of Corporate Planning have all been consulted on this report and are in agreement.

8.0 Background Papers

Article III Leisure Services Committee of 19 June 2000.

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Phase 4 Refurbishment Works

Camperdown Play Complex Phase 2

Fairmuir Park Play Area

Dudhope Park Play Area

Dawson Park Play Area

Fintry Place Play Area

Finlathen Park Play Area

Crescent Street Play Area

Cobden Street Play Area

Longhaugh Road Play Area