

REPORT TO: Leisure Services Committee of 20 August 2001
REPORT ON: Dundee Play Area Report – Refurbishment Programme
REPORT BY: Director of Leisure & Parks
REPORT NO: 465-2001

1. **Purpose of Report**

Confirm details of a four year programme for the completion of Dundee's Play Area Refurbishments as agreed by this Committee on 20 March 2000 Agenda Item IX

2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1 It is recommended that the programme is approved in principle.
- 2.2 It is further recommended that the Director of Leisure & Parks is given the remit to complete detailed designs and costings and report back to subsequent Committees for approval for each phase.

3. **Financial Implications**

- 3.1 With reference to the Leisure Services Committee of 20 March 2000, Agenda Item IX the total cost for the removal of 46 play areas and the retention of 80 strategic play areas, of which 56 will be refurbished under this rationalisation programme is £1,500,000. The sum includes £349,600 for the removal and landscaping of the play areas and £1,150,400 for the refurbishment of those to remain. The current Leisure and Parks Department Capital budget includes provision for years 1-3 (2000/2001 – 2002/3).
- 3.3 The cost of design consultation and supervision will be met from the existing Leisure & Parks Department Revenue budgets.
- 3.4 The overall cost of maintaining the play areas will not be increased. Any additional costs will be offset by reductions where play areas have to be removed,

4. **Local Agenda 21 Implications**

- 4.1 The equipment that has been removed will be refurbished and re-used, where possible 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 areas does not create a problem of excessive disposal of materials and the environmental implications that would result.
- 4.2 All materials will be sourced from renewable resources where possible. It is proposed to install seats and litter bins made of recycled plastic. The safety surfacing used will also be of recycled materials.
- 4.3 The resulting areas, whether a play area has been removed or refurbished, will be an improvement to the environment of Dundee.

5. **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 along with their peers.
- 5.2 Facilities will be provided to interest children and young people of all ages.

5.3 All communities throughout Dundee will have access to high quality strategic play areas.

5.4 People living within areas affected by the Play Area Rationalisation proposals will be consulted before the details are finally decided upon.

6. **Main Text**

6.1 The Leisure Services Committee approved a remit on 16 August 1999 instructing the Director of Leisure & Parks to ensure that a survey into the condition of the Council's play areas would be reported to a Leisure Services Committee at the earliest possible time. Subsequently an extensive audit of the play areas of Dundee was undertaken. The Leisure Services Committee of 20 March 2000 agreed the Dundee Play Area Report 2000 in principle and the Leisure Services Committee of 21 August 2000 approved the detailed costs for the implementation of Phase I, which is now complete. Phase II is currently on site.

6.2 It is therefore recommended that the Committee agrees to the proposed programme and remits the Director of Leisure and Parks to bring forward tender reports for the works as part of the Department's Capital Programme. The final list will be determined by the detailed costs and will be the subject to further reports to Committee.

7. **Consultations**

7.1 Consultations have been undertaken with Elected Members in regard to the implications for their Wards with regard to the Dundee Play Area Refurbishment Programme.

7.2 Consultation has also been undertaken with Housing, Education, Environmental & Consumer Protection, Social Work and Economic Development Departments.

7.3 The Chief Executive, Director of Finance, Director of Support Services and Director of Corporate Planning have been consulted on the contents of this report.

8. **Background Papers**

Agenda Item IX of the Leisure Services Committee of 20 March 2000
Agenda Item III of the Leisure Services Committee of 19 June 2000
Agenda Item III of the Leisure Services Committee of 21 August 2000
Agenda Item III of the Leisure Services Committee of 18 September 2000
Agenda Item VI of the Leisure Services Committee of 18 June 2001

9. **Signed**

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Director of Leisure and Parks

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Date

PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENT PROGRAMME

ID	Title		
		2002/2003	2003/2004
11	Balgarthno Road Play Area		26 Camperdown Play Complex(PHASE3)
126	Pebbles Drive Play Area		29 Castle Green Play Area
12	Balgay Court Play Area		33 Clepington Road Play Area
13	Balgowan Avenue Play Area		34 Cobden Street Play Area
76	Laird Street Play Area		35 Crescent Street Play Area
23	Bridge Street Play Area		36 Dawson Park Play Area No. 1
27	Carlochie Place Play Area		38 Derwent Avenue Play Area
57	Gillies Park Play Area		41 Dudhope Park Play Area
26	Camperdown Play Complex(PHASE2)		45 Fairmuir Park Play Area
			47 Finlathen Park Play Area
			50 Fintry Place Play Area
			53 Foggyley Play Area
		2004/2005	2005/2006
26	Camperdown Play Complex(PHASE4)		98 Orchar Park Play Area No. 1
59	Halley Place		99 Ormiston Crescent Play Area No. 1
65	Jacobson Gardens Play Area		101 Ormiston Crescent Play Area No. 3
67	Kellyfield Play Area		110 Stirling Street Play area
77	Lawton Road Play Area		103 Sandeman Street Play Area
78	Lewis Terrace Play Area		104 South Road Park Play Area
81	Lismore Terrace Play Area		105 Spey Drive Play Area
83	Longhaugh Road Play Area		108 St Mathews Lane Play Area No. 1
86	Marlee Road Play Area		111 Stobsmuir Park Play Area
87	Maxwelltown Central Play Area		118 Victoria Park Play Area
92	Mill O' Mains Park Play Area		123 Whitfield Green Play Area No. 1
93	Milnebank Play Area		124 Whitfield Green Play Area No. 2
94	Moncur Crescent Play Area		125 Whorterbank Play Area
95	Mossgeil Place Play Area		5 Ardler Courtyard Play Area No. 1
32	Claypotts Park Play Area		7 Ardler Courtyard Play Area No. 3
44	Fairbairn Street Play Area		9 Ardler multis Play Area No. 3
17	Belmont Estate Play Area		85 Malcolm Street Play Area
48	Fintry Drive Play Area		
56	Foula Terrace Play Area		

NEW PLAY AREAS WHICH REQUIRE NO WORK

- 28 Carnegie Square Play Area
- 16 Beechwood Play Area
- 24 Caird Park Play Area
- 30 Clatto Country Park No. 1
- 31 Clatto Country Park No. 2
- 66 Jamaica Square Play Area

- 82 Lochee Park Play Area
- 84 Magdalen Green Play Area
- 91 Midlin Play Zone
- 100 Ormiston Crescent Play Area No. 2
- 109 St Leonards Place Play Area
- 121 Wellington Square Play Area
- 88 Maxwelltown concierge No.1
- 89 Maxwelltown concierge No.2
- 90 Maxwelltown Shops Play Area
- 114 Taybridge Landfall Play Area

**PLAY AREA REFURBISHMENTS NOT INCLUDED IN PROGRAMME
DUE TO ALTERNATIVE FUNDING**

- 15 Baxter Park Play Area

**PLAY AREAS WHICH STILL REQUIRE DECISION ON
REMOVAL
OR REFURBISHMENT**

- 38 Derwent Ave Play Area
- 78 Lewis Terrace
- 112 Strathmore Street Play Area