

Wallshead Way Play Area Improvements

Wallshead Way Play Area Improvements..... What would be your priorities for the children and young people of Church Aston if someone said you had just over £45,000 and that it could be spent in our parish but only on play equipment?

Despite the Parish Council working hard to stop some recent new housing developments in and adjacent to the village, planning approvals were eventually given by T&WC as the local planning authority. Many of you will already know that successful developers are obliged to contribute towards a raft of community services affected by their developments - and this includes play facilities. Therefore, it is both an irony and some compensation that Church Aston will benefit by around £45,000 to fund new & improved play facilities.

Parish Councillors have carried out an initial assessment of options and have concluded: (i) that the Wallshead Way Play Area should be the focus for any new investment; (ii) there is no practical and affordable solution to the drainage issues at this site; (iii) that any new proposals must meet the play needs of local children and young people; and (iv) that everyone with an interest should be encouraged to have a say on this latest Parish Project.



Poor drainage means parts of the Wallshead Way Play Area are often too wet for children and young people to access

Over the coming months the Parish Council will be working alongside Telford & Wrekin Council to finalise design options, engaging you to discuss delivery of our proposals, and securing a high quality contractor to deliver these new facilities.



Example MUGGA facility located on Beechfields Way, Newport

The current proposal is a new sensitively designed Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) which is to be constructed alongside the existing half-sized facility.

At a later stage further drainage works will be carried out on the nearby children's play area, and an option to provide new outdoor gym equipment on the existing half-sized facility is being considered.

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