

# **Post Investment Appraisal Form**

Project Number	
Project Name	Summerhouse View Play Area, Yeovil
Date Funding Approved	2015
Project Officer	Robert Parr

## **Project Duration Summary**

	Original Estimated Date	Actual Date	
Project Commenced	April 2014	February 2015	
Project Completed	June 2014	June 2015	

## **Project Budget & Actuals**

	Original Budget £	Revised Budget (if applicable) £
SSDC Funding	10,000	
External Funding	10,000	
Total Budget	20,000	
Total Expenditure	£17,402	
Project under /overspend	UNDER	
% under / overspend	13%	

## **Project Milestones**

Key Milestones	Estimated Date	Actual Date	Reasons for Difference
Project Completed	June 2014	June 2015	Clarification on land ownership

## Revenue Implications (if applicable)

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#### **Officer Time**

Officer	Original Estimate per capital appraisal	Estimate of actual time spent on project	Reasons for Difference
Robert Parr	110	Unknown	Time recording to individual projects not maintained.

#### **Objectives of the project** (per the capital appraisal)

Where practically possible the play area will comply with BS EN1176 and 1177.

The play area will be improved to ensure it meets SSDC adopted quality standards, set out in the Local Development Framework evidence base.

Provide a play area that improves the quality of play opportunities in the local area and as a result contributes to the Council Plan - Focus Four – Health & Communities, and critical activity to Maintain and enhance the South Somerset network of leisure and cultural facilities, optimising opportunities for external funding to promotes health living.

Provide a play area which ensures our health and safety obligations are fulfilled

#### How have the objectives been met?

The play area has been refurbished and accessed improved so it more fully complies with EN1176. This has been achieved by replacing swing seats, removing finger entrapments, providing access that is more visible and easier for all abilities to navigate.

Areas of the play area that were at the end of their useful life have been replaced, including new steel bow top fencing, accessible gateway, ramps to replace steps, retaining walls, barriers and general landscaping.

The overall improvement of the quality of this play area has ensured it will be an recreational asset to local people for many more years to come.

In places there were part of the play area that had come to the end of their life and if left aspects such as retaining walls could have become a serious hazard. These issues have now been rectified with this project and our health and safety obligations fulfilled.

#### **Benefits resulting from the Project**

The play area is now a much more accessible and inviting place to play. The improvements to the general layout with new ramp access to the lower part of the site have increased access and arguably play value.
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### In hindsight is there anything that you would have done differently?

With the site constraints and the budget available, no.		

### **Summary**

This should include explanations of:-

- any significant overspend (10%+)
- any significant delay in delivering the project
- best practice to share & lessons learnt

The only real unforeseen during the delivery of this project was the clarification around its ownership. However, our standard approach to checking tenure flagged up the potential issue before any financial or reputational exposure and apart from delaying the start of construction work it did not affect the final outcome. Apart from that the project went very much as intended and our partners Yeovil Town Council are pleased with the outcome.

### Best Practice (this part will not be reported to committee)

Name of Main Contractor	How did you rate the performance of the contractor?			Overall would you recommend the Contractor to a colleague?		
	Excellent	Good	Adequate	Poor	Yes	No
Play UK Playgrounds Ltd	✓				<b>√</b>	

#### **External Funder**

Name of Main External Funder	Did the funder offer any non financial support?	Were a large number of conditions imposed?
Yeovil Town Council	Yes, general project support such as organising and hosting project group meetings	No

#### Assistance within SSDC

- was the project adequately resourced?
- Did you require assistance that was unable to be provided within SSDC?