

SOUTH SWINDON PARISH COUNCIL

Future of Play Areas

Leisure & Amenities Committee – 13 March 2018

1. Introduction

The future of the play areas needs to be considered.

2. Report Details

- 2.1** The play areas were originally going to be transferred in the Order which set up the new Parish Councils. This decision was then changed and Swindon Borough Council decided that the assets, including the play areas should be leased to the Parish Councils on a 99 year lease. The lease has been negotiated and the Full Council will be considering approval at the Meeting on 20 March 2018.
- 2.2** Part of the lease will be the area identified for each play area. Some of the areas contain additional land. Copies of the play area land has been sent out to the relevant Ward Parish Councillors to ask for their comments. The Clerk will also have looked at all the play area land ahead of the meeting.
- 2.3** The views of the Ward Parish Councillors will be required at the meeting and then any work required can be completed by the Clerk in time for the Full Council meeting.
- 2.4** An assessment of the condition of the play areas also needs to be made in order that a plan can be put together for the work to bring all play areas up to a high standard.
- 2.5** Once a program of works can be put together, then the Clerk can make a start in obtaining quotes for the work to be completed.

3. Recommendations

- 3.1** That the play area maps are approved for the lease agreement.
- 3.2** That Councillors agree on a priority list of works to be carried out for the refurbishment of play areas.