

1. To consider the following recommendations from the Children's Play Area working group.

#### PROJECT

To install new boundary fence/gate and a new piece of sports play equipment (ball-catcher).

#### FUNDING / COST

Estimated total cost for this project is £8,500.

- £6,500 fencing/gate.
- £2,000 ball-catcher (delivery/installation).

Funding available.

- £600.00 – Prynces Charity ringfenced donation.
- £6,000 – Get Active Green Spaces Grant.
  
- £1,900 – remaining amount would need to come from Council funds.

#### RECOMMENDATION 1

1. To install a boundary fence / gate to secure the children's play area.

Originally, the parish council had proposed to install a basketball hoop and hardstanding near to the children's play area. This proposal formed part of the council's application to the Herefordshire Community Foundation for funding from the Get Active Green Spaces Grants.

Following consideration of the possible impact this equipment could have on nearby residents the working group looked at more suitable options for the location.

**Estimated cost £6,500**

#### RECOMMENDATION 2

2. To purchase and install a Ball-Catcher (pictured)

- Pole length as described is 2.1m (total height above the ground is 2.7m). Making this more adolescent friendly than infant, but lower than a Basketball hoop.
- Pole diameter 11 cm (same as drainage pipes). As it is all steel the Council needs to consider how to correctly install it.

**Current price £1400 (exc. delivery fee)**

## Ball-catcher



### User benefits

- Stretching & flexibility
- Hand-eye coordination
- Gross motor skills
- Competitive play
- Problem solving
- Cooperative play
- Communication skills