

Playing Field Committee Meeting
held at the Elsenham playing field and play area on Isabel Drive
on Friday 29 October 2021 at 2.30pm

Minutes

Present: Dr. G Mott (GM), Mr. A Buonocore (AB), Mrs. S Waite (SW)
and Mrs. L Johnson (Parish Clerk LJ),

1. Apologies: None.

2. Elsenham Playing Field Children's play area.

2.1. The committee agreed to obtain quotes to increase the size of the play area by incorporating the triangular piece of grass to the left of the play area towards Leigh Way.

LJ to obtain quotes for removing the fence on the east-side of the play area and moving it down the side of the path towards Leigh Way and across at the bottom to fence in the triangular area.

2.2. The smaller pieces of equipment, such as the rockers, the balancing pole and the rollers could be removed to make room for the new equipment.

Some residents had asked if safety surface could cover the whole of the play area as it can become very muddy. The committee thought this was a good idea although would depend on the budget.

3. Play area Isabel Drive

3.1. There are now only two gates leading into the play area with the third gate permanently closed. The sign needs to be removed off the gate and the hedge needs to grow along the gate to join the two boundary hedges. LJ to ask the contractor when he cuts the hedge to plant some hedging along the bottom of the gate.

Now that the gate is no longer used the area is large enough to install a new piece of play equipment. The path leading to the gate will require covering in grass or safety surface.

3.2. Some of the safety surfacing around the play equipment needs replacing.

The mound leading up to the slide needs a new rail to replace the rope that frayed. LJ to look at different options. It was agreed to re-address the possibility of putting steps on the right-hand side of the slide, so there were two different ways of reaching the top of the mound.

The meeting finished at 3.15pm