

Item 7 Blenheim Drive Play Area.

We have received correspondence from Robert Hitchens regarding the play area at Blenheim drive Newent. The play area has been closed for some time now due to the equipment being run down and unsafe.

Robert Hitchens are the owners of the site and have proposed its regeneration with the attached plans. The proposal includes 5 x items of play equipment, new soft-landing surface, fencing, seats, and a bin.

They are also offering an undisclosed commuted sum for future maintenance of the area; the exact amount is still to be disclosed.

Discussions have taken place as to if the play area is required due to its close proximity to the larger Forest of Dean District Councils play area on Meek Road. Other ideas were commented on such as an outdoor Gym, a car park, Or alternatively a grassed community area with a financial contribution to the Council for the purposes of improving the nearby equipped play area.

All of the above are on basis that the ownership of the area passes to the Town Council.

