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Dear Sir/Madam,

**SEMINAR - PLAYGROUNDS**

The Cabinet has asked that a seminar be arranged for all members on the proposed response to the ROSPA risk assessments on playgrounds in the borough. A copy is attached.

This will be held on Monday 23rd August, 1999 at 5.00 pm at the Council Offices, Tredomen (Council Chamber). In Committee Room 1 there will be an exhibition related to this report which is open for viewing from 4.00 pm.

Following that seminar, the item will be considered at the Special Council meeting on Wednesday 25th August, 1999 at 3.00 pm.

Yours faithfully,

*Gary George*

for M. Davies  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

Att...



# **PLAYGROUNDS**

## **THE PROPOSED RESPONSE TO THE ROSPA RISK ASSESSMENTS**

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Mendips D.C. which contributed to a child fatality. The focus on playground safety may well be about to be increased again because this authority along with a number of others were approached recently by the BBC for details of the amount of safety surfacing at playgrounds within the authority's area.

## 2. **The ROSPA Risk Assessment**

2.1 To deal with the issues arising from the ROSPA report, a Multi Directorate Working Party was formed to ensure that all aspects were considered. This report represents the findings of that Working Party.

2.2 Leading politicians of the outgoing administration were verbally made aware of the potential size of the problem in late April 1999 and an initial (brief) report was put to Corporate Management Team on the 13th May 1999.

2.3 The work arising from the ROSPA report falls into three types:

1. Repair of Equipment
2. Removal of Equipment
3. Safety Surfacing

2.4 With regard to the Repair or Removal of Equipment, ROSPA split that into 5 categories:

<u>Risk Score</u>	<u>Risk Categories</u>
1 - 3	Very low risk - (Monitor).
4 - 7	Low risk - (Monitor and take reasonable practical action if required).
8 - 12	Medium risk - Take action to reduce if possible, or available.
13 - 20	High risk - Take action immediately and access control measures.
21+	Unacceptable risk - remove or immobilise before taking immediate action and assessment of control measures.

2.5 The working group considered ROSPA's 3 volume, 300+ page report in detail and have made a recommendation on each site within the 8 - 12 risk and 13 - 20 risk categories. Items in the 21+ risk category have already been dealt with as per ROSPA's advice.

2.6 Items in the low risk categories, 1 - 3 and 4 - 7 will be monitored via the inspection regime and any work required carried out as part of the work 'ordered' following the inspections.

2.7 Advice was sought from the authority's insurers and their view was that the authority should complete the work required on the A1 list (removal) - Appendix 2 within 12 months approximately, and those on the A2 list (repair or removal) - Appendix 3 within 18 months. It will be necessary for items in the high risk category to be immobilised and cordoned off very shortly in advance of removal. The insurers advice was that the authority must have a plan to connect the issues identified from the risk assessment notwithstanding the availability of finance. The recommendations contained in this report form the basis for this plan which would be required as evidence in any action against the authority.

2.8 The recent Woolf reforms aimed at faster and cheaper justice will make it easier for individuals to claim against/sue the authority. Far more information will have to be disclosed in order to mount a successful defence. Claims and litigation are one issue but the most important aspect is to protect the children using the authority's equipment.

## 3. **Reducing the risks identified to an acceptable level.**

## 1. Introduction

- 1.1 In 1997 following an accident at Treowen Playground in which a child was injured, the Health and Safety Executive examined Caerphilly's maintenance regime for playgrounds and playground equipment. Their investigation concluded that the links between fault reporting and repairs (etc.) taking place were inadequate.
- 1.2 A significantly improved three monthly detailed inspection and maintenance programme was implemented which met all of the HSE's recommendations, along with a less detailed weekly inspection of all playgrounds and equipment. The repairs required revealed during these inspections are then issued in the form of additional work (variation orders), usually to the in-house Grounds Maintenance DSO but sometimes to external contractors because of the specialist nature of the work required. All variation orders issued by the Client Agency require the work to be completed by a specific date.
- 1.3 Extra money has been made available for playground repairs in each of the last two years and in each year, the budget has necessarily been overspent to accommodate the essential work identified. The repairs identified from the inspection regime cover not only normal wear and tear, but also accidental damage and vandalism.
- 1.4 As part of the improvements agreed with the Health and Safety Executive, Risk Assessments were required for every playground site and every item of equipment. The specialist nature of these risk assessments meant that ROSPA (Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents) was commissioned to carry them out towards the end of 1998. Their 3 volume, 300+ page report was received in late Feb. 1999 and work commenced on costing the implications arising and in some cases, taking immediate action to remove equipment as recommended (required?) by ROSPA. The full ROSPA report is available to members if required, but has not been included in this report because of its size. Unfortunately, there have been two recent serious accidents on sites identified by ROSPA as in the medium or high risk categories, both resulted in fractured skulls for the child concerned and claims against the authority have been received in both cases.
- 1.5 It must be borne in mind that the ROSPA report and this report could be used as evidence in any future prosecution of the authority and in any claim against the authority by an individual following an accident.
- 1.6 The number of playgrounds run by the authority, most of which are over 25 years old cannot be afforded within the budgets currently available, particularly because of the standards of safety now required at playgrounds. New European Union Regulations superseded the old BS5696 Parts 1-3 requirements. The potential costs involved are dealt with later in the report but also it became apparent in preparing it that Caerphilly does not have a refurbishment programme for equipment. As a considerable amount of the equipment is at or approaching the end of its working life, the significant costs of replacement will impact weightily on the number of playgrounds affordable in even the medium term. Some of the equipment requiring refurbishment is recommended by the officers involved to be removed, based upon the ROSPA assessment, provided this is agreed then the actual cost of any refurbishment programme reduce accordingly. Refurbishment costs are not included in the financial implications of this report but clearly it is an area that needs to be addressed and will be the subject of a report in the near future.
- 1.7 Public awareness of safety at playgrounds has increased in the recent past, because of a number of high profile, well publicised incidents, including the lack of safety surfaces at



3.1 The working group considered the risk assessments individually and from a whole authority perspective. From this consideration the A1 - sites for removal (Appendix 2) and A2 - sites/individual items for repair (Appendix 3) lists came forth. In determining the sites to be recommended for removal, the following were considered:

1. The age and general state of the equipment.
2. The level of risk assessed by ROSPA.
3. The estimated cost of repairs.
4. The age and general state of the other equipment on the specific site and the risks assessed by ROSPA of that other equipment.
5. Whether or not safety surfacing is also required.
6. The ongoing expenditure requirement for the authority.
7. Attempting to keep the overall cost of the exercise to a minimum.
8. Level of use.
9. Local community needs.

3.2 Apart from the option of removing 95 playgrounds, and replacing a significant proportion of them, consideration was given to keeping the 95 open and costs for this option are included in Section 4.

3.3 In summary, the following details the affect of the actions taken/proposed:

Number of sites at May 1999	176
Sites removed immediately following ROSPA report	0
Sites closed unrelated to ROSPA report	6
Sites added since the ROSPA report	5
Sites proposed to remain	
Sites proposed to remove all items	<u>95</u>
Sites to remain open	80
<b>Plus</b>	
Replacement sites	28
<b>Total remaining/replacement sites</b>	<b><u>108</u></b>
Of the sites proposed to remain open:	
Those already with full safety surfacing	23
Those requiring full or part safety surfacing	57

3.4 In some locales, all of the playgrounds within easy travelling distance have been recommended for removal. In those areas it is suggested one replacement playground, cost in the £25,000 - £30,000 range is installed subject to available finance. The areas considered most eligible for a new playground are listed in Appendix 7.

3.5 In the medium - long term it would appear advisable to consider reducing the number of limited facility local playgrounds and installing a small number of 'super-playgrounds' at a cost of at least £75,000 each within the authority. Initially, it is proposed to install three

Super Playgrounds which could be sited:

1. Caerphilly - Morgan Jones Park
2. Crosskeys - Waunfawr Park
3. Rhymney - War Memorial Park

**Total Estimated Cost = £225,000**

Timing of the creation of these 'super-playgrounds' and the phasing out of the old playgrounds would be the subject of a further report but approval is sought for the concept of these 'super-playgrounds'. Members in considering the timescale will need to take into account the downgrading of play services caused by the removal of the 95 playgrounds.

3.6 It is believed that even after implementing these proposals, Caerphilly's playgrounds/equipment per head ratio will still be amongst the highest in Wales.

3.7 The issues raised by the ROSPA will require a considerable amount of money, much of it initially over a very short period. The finances are dealt with in full in the next section.

#### 4. **Conclusions and Financial Implications**

4.1 Currently the 1999/00 budget for the repair and maintenance of playgrounds is £194,997 and all of this will be required to pay for the inspections and the 'wear and tear including vandalism' work necessary found during the inspections. The money identified in this section for option 1 or option 2 will therefore have to be found by the authority.

4.2 Removal of sites or individual items does significantly reduce the ongoing expenditure requirement for the authority and where proposed was the most economic overall option. Given that the safety requirements for playgrounds have increased significantly in recent years it appears logical that less playgrounds can now be afforded, even within a moderately increased budget. By removing a site that requires significant repairs in a number of instances removes the additional cost of providing safety surfacing. This was another factor considered by the officers in finalising the proposals.

4.3 **Repair all the current sites and make safe to ROSPA standards. Costs of this action are detailed below:**

##### **OPTION 1**

##### **Repair sites to make safe to ROSPA Standards**

**Part 1A - To be completed by approximately December '00.**

	<b>£</b>
Repairs	375K
Safety Surfacing	<u>336.5K</u>
<b>Total cost of Repairs/Resurfacing</b>	<b>711.5K</b> (within the next eighteen months)

##### **Part 1B**

**Refurbishment could be spread over approximately 5 years.**

Refurbishment Total Cost	£1.5M - £2.85M * (over the next four-five years)
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**Total 'one off' costs** £2.21M - £3.56M

**Plus**

Maintenance costs of at least an additional £100K p.a.

\* Equipment on most of the sites recommended for removal is at or beyond the end of its working life.

This first part of the option would make the playgrounds safe and would need to be funded from this and the next financial year. However, the playgrounds left would still need considerable refurbishment (£1.5M - £2.85M) over a longer period to add to the £711.5K needed to bring the identified playgrounds up to standard. The total cost therefore, would be between £2.21M and £3.56M over the next five years and there would be a requirement for £100K per annum extra needed to undertake the repairs and maintenance of all of the playgrounds, thus adding £500K to the cost over the next five years.

4.4 **Remove 95 playgrounds and replace some existing playgrounds to ensure good coverage of the borough council area.**

#### **OPTION 2**

**Remove 95 playgrounds and create 3 super playgrounds/27 normal replacement sites.**

**Part 2A - Removal of playgrounds and removal/repair of individual items - to be completed by approximately December '00.**

	£
Remove complete playgrounds and make good site	355K
Remove individual items and make good site	72K
Repair individual items	20K
Safety Surfacing required	<u>132K</u>
Total for removal/repair	579K(within the next eighteen months)

**Part 2B - Replacement playgrounds could be spread over the next 3 - 5 years**

Improve sites to create 3 super sites	225K
Create 27 normal replacement sites	<u>675K - 810K</u>

**Total for replacements/improvements** 900K - 1,035K(over the next 3-5 years)

**Total 'one off' costs** £1,479M - £1,614M

This option ensures that the playgrounds are safe and also removes the 95 playgrounds identified by ROSPA. There is a need to ensure that the borough has reasonable coverage of playgrounds. This requires the direct replacement of 27 sites detailed in Appendix 7, and the creation of 3 super sites, detailed in paragraph 3.5.

An option was also considered whereby in addition to the creation of 2 Super Playgrounds only 8 replacement playgrounds were to be provided. This did not prove a viable option, and has not been put forward for consideration because whilst it reduced the expenditure

The reduction in the number of playgrounds to close reduces the need for extra maintenance requirements although there can be no guarantee this action will eliminate totally the need for the refurbishment costs detailed in Option 1. The initial part of this option will need to be funded from this and the next financial year but the improvements/replacements could be funded over a longer period.

- 4.5 In the time available it has not been possible to estimate the cost of every item, instead the work required has been separated into categories and full, detailed costs built up for a number of items/sites within each category.
- 4.6 Adjacent authorities are known to be spending considerable sums on making their playgrounds safer. Torfaen for example, reportedly spent £230,000 on safety surfacing for 13 sites.
- 4.7 The Tree Survey currently underway will almost certainly identify some arboricultural work that is required with regard to playgrounds. The cost of such work is additional to the costs provided in this report.

## 5. Other Considerations

- 5.1 As mentioned previously there is concern that Caerphilly does not have a refurbishment (replacement) programme for its playgrounds. Just under half of the items potentially requiring refurbishment/replacement will be removed if the recommendations in this report are approved. There will still be a considerable amount remaining - possibly around 15% - 20% of the units remaining. The position of course will worsen year on year as the existing equipment gets older. To be added to the considerations already mentioned is that parts for the older equipment will become progressively more difficult and expensive to obtain as the numbers in use in the U.K. reduce.

It is therefore proposed that officers look in detail at the need for a refurbishment programme and of course the costs involved and prepare a formal report in the near future.

- 5.2 It is also proposed to investigate the issues involved which will include the level of supervision or attendance necessary, in the creation of Super Playgrounds as outlined earlier in this report and prepare a formal report in the future.
- 5.3 Consideration has also been given to the form of reinstatement for the playgrounds it is proposed to remove. To provide an economic low maintenance facility for the community to replace the playground, it will be possible in some instances to create a tarmacadam area complete with basketball hoops for adolescents particularly to use. The downside and unfortunately there is one, is that people living close to such areas have found that their 'quality of life' reduces because of:

Drug use  
Unruly behaviour  
Drunken behaviour  
Car noise  
Swearing  
Noise generally  
Late night noise  
Etc.

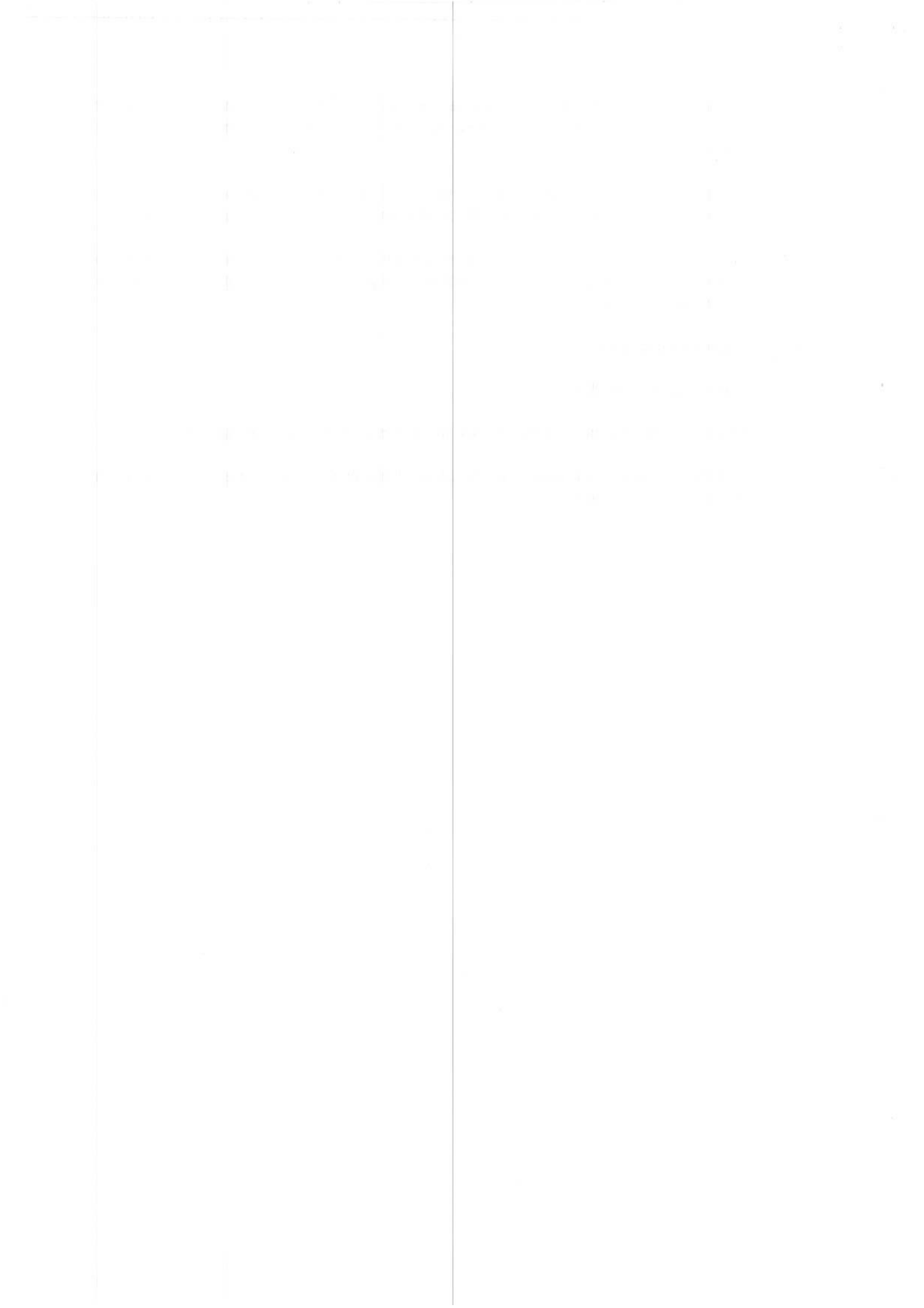
It is however, an option and members may wish to consider this for some of the sites. The cost of upgrading this reinstatement has not been included in the costs quoted in Section 4.

- 5.4 An increase in the frequency of the cleansing of playgrounds, to remove broken glass etc. is currently being investigated by officers and will be reported at a future meeting.
- 5.5 New play areas require a higher level of provision than previously and this will further increase maintenance costs for the authority, e.g. increased fencing, dog proof gates, skateboard facilities.

## **6. Recommendations**

It is recommended that:

- 6.1 Members approve the action proposed in Option 2 of the paper (paras 4.4 page 5)
- 6.2 Members agree to consultation with local ward members on the siting of the playground replacements as indicated.



**APPENDIX 1 - PLAYGROUNDS THAT REQUIRED IMMEDIATE ACTION  
FOLLOWING THE ROSPA REPORT**

SITE	RISK ASSESSMENT	SITE NO.	UNIT	DETAIL
Phillipstown Community Centre	22	22	Multiplay Unit	2 No. nuts on scramble net (70119) to be renewed. 1 No. clatter bridge (70124) to be renewed. Tighten nuts on sloping net. Remove nails from top of ramp. We are awaiting costs.
Hollybush Railway Terrace	22	42	Cantilever Swing	As this is an old item of unit and the manufacturer is unknown, I suggest we remove this item. It requires various new parts and safety surfacing.
Hilary Road, Pantside	22	55	Roundabout	This item has been removed.
Windsor Avenue	23	81	Multiplay Unit	This unit is now obsolete and parts unavailable. Infill panels are required. Handgrips are too large. Swings give minimum use zone failure. Tiles are too high and require relocating/removal. Jagged concrete at chute supports. I suggest we remove this item.
Pontymister Athletic	23	106	Cantilever Swing	ROSPA recommend this item be removed.
Hamen Place	23	131	Multiplay Unit	Persistent vandalism and previous repairs are the history of this item - suggest removal/relocation.
Penybryn - Penallta	22	132	Multiplay Unit	I met Wicksteed representative on site. Awaiting costs to refurbish unit.
Grange Close	24	161	Swings	Old type Wicksteed swing with no safety surfacing. Suggest removal.
	23	161	Multiplay Unit	I met Wicksteed representative on site. Awaiting costs to refurbish unit although this may not be viable.
Senghenydd Park	23	168	Paddling Pool	This item would not be covered by playground inspection schedule. Drain covers missing. Edging slabs missing. Coping stones on middle wall missing. Water evident in pool. Also glass in water. Should be drained and cleansed.

*N.B. All variation orders for the work required were issued by 15.03.99 with the exception of the paddling pool at Senghenydd Park which is being dealt with separately because it is not a playground responsibility.*





## APPENDIX 2 - REMOVAL OF WHOLE PLAYGROUND

PRIORITY	LOCATION	TOTAL UNITS	UNITS 13+ HAZARD	PER CENT 13+ HAZ	COST CAT.	PAGE NO.
	<b><u>Eastern Contract</u></b>					
1	Greenfield Street	1	1	100	1	65
2	High Street, Crosskeys	2	2	100	2	93
3	Reeces Terrace	3	3	100	2	85
4	Newbridge Park	3	3	100	5	63
5	Tredegar Terrace	2	2	100	3	130
6	High Mead	4	4	100	5	40
7	Waunfawr B	1	1	100	4	129
8	Thorncombe Road	1	1	100	4	33
9	Ty Isaf Welfare	2	2	100	5	118
10	Caerllwyn Terrace	2	2	100	4	144
11	Birchgrove, Ty Sign	4	4	100	4	99
12	Hillary Road	3	3	100	3	1
13	Tonypistill Road	4	4	100	5	55
14	Civic Centre, Pont.	3	3	100	3	36
15	Wattsville	2	2	100	5	131
16	Ynysddu Welfare	5	5	100	4	137
17	Sycamore Crescent	3	2	67	4	104
18	Halls Road	3	2	67	5	34
19	Treowen	4	3	75	5	66
20	Rhwsswg Road	2	2	100	4	81
21	Soccer Field, Trinant	6	5	83	5	15
22	Marshfield	5	4	80	5	49
23	Viaduct Terrace	5	1	20	4	7
24	Phillips Street, Trinant	5	3	60	2	12
25	Penyfan Close, Trinant	6	1	17	5	18
26	Manor Park, Penllwyn	3	0	0	4	38
27	Snowden Close, Ty Sign	5	4	80	3	102
28	Thistle Way, Ty Sign	4	1	25	3	106

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29	Woodview, Risca	2	1	50	2	108
30	Longbridge	4	1	25	3	124
31	Stanley St, Cwmfelinfach	6	2	34	3	134
32	Alexandra Road	5	2	40	2	142
	<b><u>Southern Contract</u></b>					
1	Ashgrove	2	2	100	3	31
2	Churchill Park	3	3	100	3	108
3	Hendre	3	2	67	4	96
4	Aeron Place	2	2	100	4	9
5	Hengoed Comm. Centre	1	1	100	2	29
6	Davies Street	4	4	100	3	32
7	Duffryn Street	4	4	100	5	34
8	Sir Stafford Close	2	2	100	1	70
9	Mountain View	4	4	100	5	62
10	Glyngaer Square	3	3	100	5	15
11	Brynmynach Avenue	5	4	80	5	38
12	Bartlett Street	6	4	67	5	78
13	Heol Coed Cae 1	5	0	0	2	3
14	Heol Coed Cae 2	4	0	0	2	6
15	Heol Coed Cae 3	4	0	0	2	5
16	Vere Street, Gilfach	2	1	50	2	10
17	Mount Pleasant	2	0	0	1	14
18	Hamen Place	3	1	34	2	17
19	Tawel Fan, Nelson	4	2	50	2	21
20	Heol Fawr, Nelson	2	0	0	2	23
21	Cefn Road	6	3	51	3	1
22	The Bryn, Trethomas	6	2	34	4	54
23	Graig y Rhacca	2	1	50	4	57

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PRIORITY	LOCATION	TOTAL UNITS	UNITS 13+ HAZARD	PER CENT 13+ HAZ	COST CAT.	PAGE NO.
24	Trapwell	5	0	0	3	68
25	Van Road	4	0	0	3	75
26	Carmarthen Court	2	0	0	1	86
27	Caerleon Court	2	0	0	1	87
28	Heol Aneurin	3	0	0	2	92
29	Commercial Street	8	2	0	3	101
30	Stanley Street	4	2	50	3	104
31	Alexandra Terrace	5	3	40	3	106
	<b><u>Northern Contract</u></b>					
1	Commin Road	2	2	100	4	70
2	Brynglas	4	4	100	5	18
3	Groesfaen Terrace	1	1	100	2	30
4	Pentwyn, Fochriw	2	2	100	3	24
5	White Rose Way	1	1	100	2	36
6	School Street, Pontlottyn	2	2	100	4	13
7	Tredegar Road	1	2	100	2	34
8	Ty Fry Road	2	2	100	5	64
9	Sunny View	4	4	100	5	16
10	Factory Road	2	2	100	5	50
11	Railway Ter, Hollybush	3	3	100	3	76
12	Llancayo Street	4	4	100	5	53
13	Fairways, Bargoed	3	3	100	5	55
14	Carn y Tylla	5	4	80	5	8
15	Cwm Argoed Top	7	5	71	5	81
16	St. Davids	3	2	67	1	60
17	Rhodfa Ganol	2	2	100	3	22
18	Butetown	2	1	50	1	1
19	Ty Coch 1	1	0	0	1	4

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PRIORITY	LOCATION	TOTAL UNITS	UNITS 13+ HAZARD	PER CENT 13+ HAZ	COST CAT.	PAGE NO.
20	Greensway	7	3	43	3	10
21	Queen Street	3	1	34	1	14
22	Bargoed Inn	1	0	0	1	26
23	Derlwyn Street	3	0	0	2	41
24	Lower Stanley Terrace	3	1	34	3	43
25	Upper Road	2	1	50	1	45
26	Bute Houses	7	3	43	2	48
27	Duffryn Street	3	1	34	2	65
28	Lewis Street	2	0	0	1	69
29	Cwm Argoed Bottom	2	1	50	2	81
30	Cwm Gelli	2	0	0	2	82
31	Warne Street	3	0	0	3	100
32	Fairview Top	Equipment already removed				

### APPENDIX 3 - REMOVAL, REPAIR OF INDIVIDUAL ITEMS

PRICE CATEGORY	PRIORITY	LOCATION	EQUIPMENT	RISK NO.	PAGE NO.
		<b><u>Eastern Contract</u></b>			
3	Repair	Bryn Playing Fields, Pontllanfraith	Aerial Runway	20	44
3	Repair	Oakdale Recreation Ground	Lorry Climb Frame/Cantilever	20	25
3	Removal	Waunfawr Park A	Multi-play	20	127
4	Removal	Bryn Playing Fields, Pontllanfraith	Swings	20	44
4	Removal	Pontymister Athletic, Risca	Senior Multi-play	19	116
3	Removal	Bryn Playing Fields, Pontllanfraith	Multi-play	18	44
5	Removal	Fernlea, Ty Sign	Multi-play	19	95
2	Removal	Risca Park	Multi-Park	18	119
5	Removal	Hafodyrynys	Swings	17	5
3	Removal	Feeder Row, Cwmcarn	Multi-play	15	88
1	Removal	Oakdale Recreation Ground	Cradle Swings	14	27
5	Removal	Fields Park, Newbridge	Swings	13	57
2	Removal	Feeder Row, Cwmcarn	Swings	13	87
2	Removal	Feeder Row, Cwmcarn	Slide	13	88
1	Removal	Fields Park, Newbridge	Kickabout Area	13	58
		<b><u>Southern Contract</u></b>			
2	Repair	Llwyn yr Eos, Nelson	Roundabout	13	3
2	Repair	Llwyn yr Eos, Nelson	Multi-play	13	4
3	Repair	Maesycwmmmer	Multi-play	19	46
3	Repair	Penybryn, Penallta	Multi-play	22	20
3	Repair	Penyrheol Park	Multi-play	19	89
2	Repair	Penyrheol Park	Roundabout	13	91
5	Repair	Senghenydd Park	Paddling Pool	23	100
5	Repair	Tiryberth Welfare	Swings	14	5
5	Removal	Llanbradach Park	Multi-play	19	48

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PRICE CATEGORY	PRIORITY	LOCATION	EQUIPMENT	RISK NO.	PAGE NO.
5	Removal	Ffwrwm Road, Machen	Swings	17	61
3	Removal	Hartshorn Court, Lansbury Park	Multi-play	18	72
5	Removal	Llanbradach Park	Roundabout	16	50
5	Removal	Senghenydd Park	Swings (6 Seat)	18	99
5	Removal	Senghenydd Park	Swings (3 Seat)	16	98
5	Removal	Ffwrwm Road, Machen	Climbing Frame	15	59
5	Removal	Ffwrwm Road, Machen	Slide	15	60
2	Removal	Abertridwr Park	Cradle Swings	15	95
1	Removal	Senghenydd Park	Multi-play	14	99
5	Removal	Waunganol Park, Bedwas	Swings	14	51
5	Removal	Waunganol Park, Bedwas	Slide	14	51
5	Removal	Waunganol Park, Bedwas	Cradle Swing	13	53
		<b><u>Northern Contract</u></b>			
4	Repair	Phillipstown Community Centre	Multi-play	22	40
5	Removal	King George Field, Markham	Swings	20	73
5	Removal	Bargoed	Swings	18	59
3	Removal	Cefn Fforest Welfare	Swings	18	88
2	Removal	Showfield, Blackwood	Large Multi-play	16	85
3	Removal	King George Field, Markham	Cradle Swings	15	72
5	Removal	Garfield Street, Blackwood	Multi-play	14	92
4	Removal	Britannia	Swings	14	63
5	Removal	Glyn Deri, Deri	Climbing Frame	14	27
5	Removal	Glyn Deri, Deri	Slide	13	28
3	Removal	Rhymney Park	Slide and Swing Unit	13	7
1	Removal	Tan Lan Square, New Tredegar	Swings	13	37
1	Removal	Tan Lan Square, New Tredegar	Multi-play	13	38

**APPENDIX 4 - SAFETY SURFACES REQUIRED**

**CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL ROSPA REPORT - PLAYGROUNDS REQUIRING SAFETY SURFACING**

LOCATION	ITEM	TYPE OF SURFACE	COST £	
HEOL COED CAE 1	SLIDE	EXTEND TILES	(1000)	R
VERE STREET	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
TAWEL FAN	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
HEOL FAWR	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1000)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
CEFN ROAD	ROUNDABOUT	TILES	(1900)	R
	SLIDE	TILES	(1900)	R
	SWING	TILES	(2500)	R
	SLIDE	TILES	(1900)	R
LLANBRADACH PARK	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	1000	
	SWING	TILES	2500	
	SWING	TILES	2500	
	SLIDE	TILES	2500	
	ROUNDABOUT	TILES	1850	
WAUNGANOL PARK	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	1900	
	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	1000	
	SEE / SAW	BARK	1000	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
THE BRYN	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
DICKENS COURT	SPACE BUGGY	TILES	(1000)	R
	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	(1000)	R
FFWRWM ROAD	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	1800	
	ARCH SWING	TILES	1800	
	ARCH SWING	TILES	1800	
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	1800	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
MOUNTAIN VIEW	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
RUDRY	MULTIPLAY UNIT	WETPOUR	1200	
TRAPWELL	CLIMBER	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	O' CLIMBER	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
HARTSHORN COURT	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	1000	
GWAUN NEWYDD	MULTIPLAY UNIT	WETPOUR	1000	
VAN TERRACE	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	1800	
BARTLETT STREET	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	ROUNDABOUT	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
MORGAN JONES PARK	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	1800	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
CAMARTHEN COURT	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
CAERLEON COURT	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
HEOL ANEURIN	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
SENGHENYDD PARK	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	1000	
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	1800	
COMMERCIAL STREET	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R

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**APPENDIX 4 - SAFETY SURFACES REQUIRED**

**CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL ROSPA REPORT  
- PLAYGROUNDS REQUIRING SAFETY SURFACING**

LOCATION	ITEM	TYPE OF SURFACE	COST £	
STATION ROAD	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
WILLOW COURT	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	1500	
HAFODYRYNYS	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	1800	
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	2000	
VIADUCT TERRACE	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	(1000)	R
PHILLIP STREET	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
PENYFAN CLOSE	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	(1800)	R
MANMOEL	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	2500	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
	SWING	WETPOUR	2500	
MANOR PARK	MULTIPLAY UNIT	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
WYLLIE	MULTIPLAY UNIT	WETPOUR	1800	
WINDSOR AVENUE	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	1500	
CRUMLIN PARK	SWING	BARK	1500	
LLANFACH	SWING	BARK	1500	
	CLIMBING FRAME	BARK	1500	
	SLIDE	BARK	2000	
	SWING	BARK	2000	
MARNE STREET	MULTIPLAY UNIT	WETPOUR	1500	
FEEDER ROW	CLIMBING BAR	BARK	2000	
	CLIMBING BAR	BARK	2000	
HIGH STREET	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
FERNLEA	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	1800	
SNOWDON CLOSE	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
THISTLE WAY	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
WOODVIEW	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
HERBERT AVENUE	SEE/SAW	TILES	1800	
RISCA PARK	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	1800	
	SWING	TILES	1800	
LONGBRIDGE	SWING	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	ROUNDAABOUT	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
STANLEY ST.	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	MULTIPLAY UNIT	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SEE/SAW	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
ALEXANDER RD.	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
BUTETOWN	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
TY COCH 1	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
RHYMNEY PARK	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	1500	
GREENSWAY	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	MULTIPLAY UNIT	TILES	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
QUEEN STREET	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
BRYNGLAS	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2000)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R

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## APPENDIX 4 - SAFETY SURFACES REQUIRED

### CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL ROSPA REPORT - PLAYGROUNDS REQUIRING SAFETY SURFACING

LOCATION	ITEM	TYPE OF SURFACE	COST £	
BARGOED INN	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
GLYNDERI	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	1800	
	SLIDE	WETPOUR	2000	
	ROUNDAABOUT	WETPOUR	2000	
TIRPHIL	SWING	WETPOUR	1500	
	SWING	WETPOUR	1500	
DERLWYN STREET	CLIMBING FRAME	TILES	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	TILES	(1800)	R
LOWER STANLEY TCE	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
BUTE HOUSES	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
ST. PETERS	CLIMBING FRAME	BARK	1500	
	SWING	BARK	1000	
BARGOED PARK	SLIDE	WETPOUR	1500	
ST. DAVIDS PENGAM	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
DUFFRYN ST. ABERBA	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	CLIMBING FRAME	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
KING GEORGE FLDS.	MULTIPLAY UNIT	BARK	2000	
CWM ARGOED BOTTO	SLIDE	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
CWMGELLI	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
WARNE STREET	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
	SEE/SAW	WETPOUR	(1800)	R
	SWING	WETPOUR	(2500)	R
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£ 336950</b>	

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**APPENDIX 5 - COMPLETE LIST OF CURRENT PLAYGROUNDS**  
**PLAYGROUNDS - EASTERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION	RETAIN	REMOVE
Hilary Road, Panside		✓
Willow Court, Panside	✓	
Hafodyrynys	✓	
Viaduct Terrace, Crumlin		✓
Kendon Hill, Crumlin	✓	
Phillip Street, Trinant		✓
Soccer Field, Trinant		✓
Penyfan Close, Trinant		✓
Manmoel	✓	
Croespenmaen	✓	
Oakdale Recreation Ground	✓	
Penmaen	✓	
Woodfieldside	✓	
Thorncombe Road		✓
Halls Road		✓
Civic Centre, Pontllanfraith		✓
Manor Park, Penllwyn		✓
Highmead, Penllwyn		✓
Bryn Playing Field	✓	
Wyllie	✓	
Marshfield, Pontllanfraith		✓
Springfield	✓	
Fox Avenue	✓	
Tonypistill Road		✓
Fields Park, Newbridge	✓	
Windsor Avenue, Newbridge	✓	
Newbridge Park		✓
Greenfield Street		✓
Treowen		✓
Crumlin Park	✓	

**APPENDIX 5 - COMPLETE LIST OF CURRENT PLAYGROUNDS**  
**PLAYGROUNDS - EASTERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION	RETAIN	REMOVE
Panteg Terrace	✓	
King George Field, Westend	✓	
Llanfach	✓	
Disillery, Abercarn	✓	
Rhwsswg Road		✓
Marne Street, Cwmcarn	✓	
Reeces Terrace		✓
Twyncarn Road, Crosskeys	✓	
Colliseum Site, Crosskeys		✓
Fernlea	✓	
Birchgrove, Ty Sign		✓
Ty Sign Open Space	✓	
Snowden Close, Ty Sign		✓
Sycamore Crescent, Ty Sign		✓
Thistle Way, Ty Sign		✓
Woodview Risca		✓
Herbert Avenue, Risca	✓	
Tan y Bryn	✓	
Pontymister Athletic	✓	
Ty Isaf Welfare		✓
Risca Park	✓	
Longbridge		✓
Waunfawr Park 'A'	✓	
Waunfawr Park 'B'		✓
Tredegar Terrace, Crosskeys		✓
Wattsville		✓
Brynawel	✓	
Stanley Street, Cwmfelinfach		✓
Ynysddu Welfare		✓

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**PLAYGROUNDS - EASTERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION	RETAIN	REMOVE
Bridge Street, Ynysddu	✓	
Alexandra Road		✓
Caerllwyn Terrace		✓
Rifleman Street, Risca	✓	
Feeder Row	✓	



**APPENDIX 5 - COMPLETE LIST OF CURRENT PLAYGROUNDS**  
**PLAYGROUNDS - SOUTHERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION	RETAIN	REMOVE
Bargoed Community Centre	✓	
Heol Coed Cae 1		✓
Heol Coed Cae 2		✓
Heol Coed Cae 3		✓
Maesygraig Street	✓	
Aeron Place		✓
Vere Street		✓
Hanbury Street	✓	
Mount Pleasant, Cascade		✓
Glyngaer Square		✓
Hamen Place, Gelligaer		✓
Penybryn, Penallta Road	✓	
Tawel Fan, Nelson		✓
Llwyn yr Eos, Nelson	✓	
Heol Fawr, Nelson		✓
Tiryberth Welfare	✓	
William Street, Tiryberth	✓	
School Street, Pengam	✓	
Cefn Road, Hengoed		✓
Hengoed Community Centre		✓
Ashgrove, Hengoed		✓
Davies Street		✓
Duffryn Street		✓
Station Road	✓	
Brynmynach, Tredomen		✓
Park Lane, Tredomen	✓	
Ystrad Mynach Welfare	✓	
Maescwmmer Park	✓	
Llanbradach Park	✓	
Waunganol Park	✓	

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**PLAYGROUNDS - SOUTHERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION	RETAIN	REMOVE
The Bryn, Trethomas		✓
Graig y Rhacca		✓
Ffwrwm Road, Machen	✓	
Mountain View		✓
Draethen Village	✓	
Rudry Village	✓	
Trapwell		✓
Sir Stafford Close		✓
Hartshorn Court	✓	
Gwaun Newydd	✓	
Van Road		✓
Bartlett Street		✓
Morgan Jones Park	✓	
Trecenydd Grange Close	✓	
Carmarthen Court		✓
Caerleon Court		✓
Penyrheol Park	✓	
Heol Aneurin		✓
Abertridwr Park	✓	
Hendre, Abertridwr		✓
Senghenydd Park	✓	
Commercial Street		✓
Stanley Street		✓
Alexandra Terrace		✓
Churchill Park		✓
Badham Close	✓	
Ashman Close	✓	
Clos y Pant	✓	

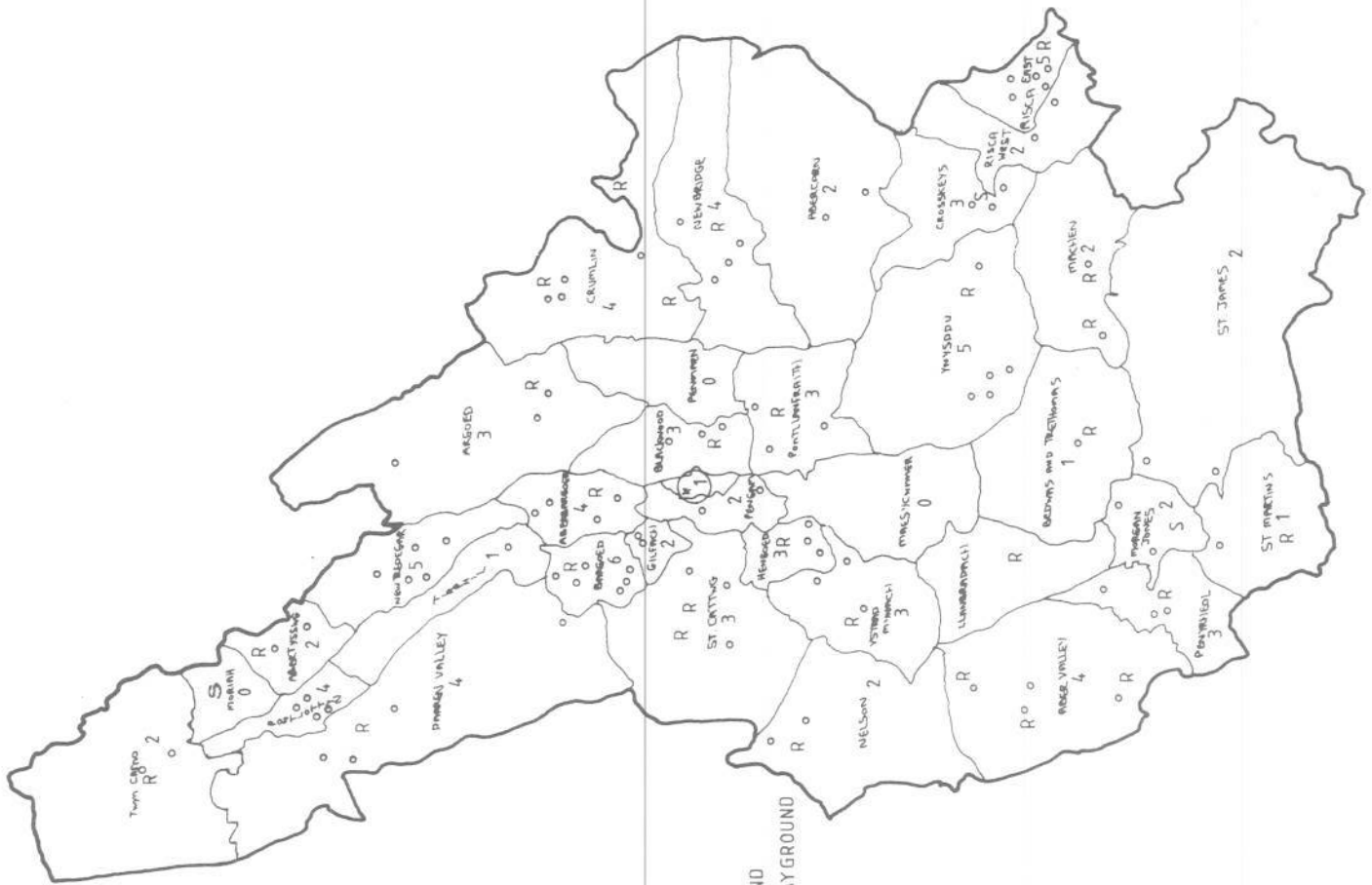


**APPENDIX 5 - COMPLETE LIST OF CURRENT PLAYGROUNDS**  
**PLAYGROUNDS - NORTHERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION	RETAIN	REMOVE
Butetown		✓
Ty Coch Rhymney	✓	
Ty Coch 1		✓
Rhymney Park	✓	
Carn y Tylla Terrace		✓
Greensway		✓
School Street, Pontlottyn		✓
Queen Street, Pontlottyn		✓
Sunny View		✓
Brynglas		✓
Danygraig	✓	
Rhodfa Ganol		✓
Pentwyn Fochriw		✓
Bargoed Inn		✓
Glyn Deri	✓	
Groesfaen Terrace		✓
Tirphil School Street	✓	
Tredegar Road		✓
White Rose Way		✓
Tan Lan Square	✓	
Phillipstown Community Centre	✓	
Derlwyn Street		✓
Lower Stanley Terrace		✓
Upper Road		✓
Tennyson Terrace	✓	
Bute Houses		✓
Factory Road		✓
St. Peters	✓	
Llancayo Street		✓
Heolddu Crescent/Fairways		✓

**APPENDIX 5 - COMPLETE LIST OF CURRENT PLAYGROUNDS**  
**PLAYGROUNDS - NORTHERN CONTRACT**

LOCATION		RETAIN	REMOVE
Bargoed Park	✓		
St. Davids, Pengam			✓
Britannia	✓		
Ty Fry Road			✓
Duffryn Street			✓
Yew Street	✓		
Lewis Street			✓
Commin Road			✓
King George Field, Markham	✓		
Hollybush Rugby Ground	✓		
Hollybush Railway Terrace			✓
Cwm Argoed Top			✓
Cwm Argoed Bottom			✓
Cwmgelli			✓
Showfield Blackwood	✓		
Cefn Fforest Welfare	✓		
Attlee Road	✓		
Garfield Street	✓		
Bryn Rhwydyn	✓		
Clos Gronw	✓		
Fairview Top			✓
Fairview Bottom	✓		
Warne Street			✓
Twyn Gardens	✓		



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**APPENDIX 7 - PLAYGROUNDS FOR CONSIDERATION AS  
REPLACEMENTS FOR SOME OF THOSE REMOVED.**

**Ward Location**

1	Butetown
3	Abertysswg (Location to be confirmed)
7	Fochriw (Location to be confirmed)
8	Argoed (Location to be confirmed)
9	Aberbargoed (Location to be confirmed)
10	Bargoed Park
12	East side of Blackwood (Location to be confirmed)
14	Hafodyrynys
14	Treowen
14	Trinant (Location to be confirmed)
15	St. Cattwgs (Location to be confirmed)
18	Newbridge, Windsor Avenue
19	Hengoed (Location to be confirmed)
20	Civic Centre, Pontllanfraith
22	Nelson (Location to be confirmed)
23	Ystrad Mynach Welfare
24	Cwmfelinfach (Location to be confirmed)
27	Senghenydd Park
27	Abertridwr Park
27	Alexander Terrace
28	Llanbradach Park
29	Bedwas & Trethomas, The Bryn
30	Ffwrwm Road, Machen
30	Graig y Rhacca
32	Ty Sign Open Space
33	Hendredenny
35	Bartlett Street

Local members will be consulted on the precise siting of these replacement playgrounds. Consideration should be given to siting replacement playgrounds at school sites where possible. Where a site is indicated above, it is a suggestion from the Playgrounds Working Group.

