

Title of Report: Coshquin Play Provision	Officer Presenting: Head of Environment Author: Parks Development Manager
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1 Purpose of Report/Recommendations

- 1.1 To seek Council authority to approve the Coshquin Play Provision subject to the outcome of achieving Full Planning Approval. See Appendix 1. Design of Play Area.

2 Background

- 2.1 Members may be aware that Council supported the development of new play provision at Coshquin through the Capital Review Group and Governance & Strategic Planning approval process.
- 2.2 MWA Partnership were appointed by Council, to develop plans suitable for community consultation, costing and for submission to Planning to secure Full Planning Permission.
- 2.3 A community consultation exercise was held on the 12th March 2019 (6-8pm). Residents were notified of this event through the press and by way of a mail drop. Feedback received from local residents was very supportive, however, the event was not that well attended by local residents.
- 2.4 A Full Planning Permission application was submitted in June 2019 to secure the necessary statutory approvals.
- 2.5 The cost of the project is estimated to be circa £300,000. This cost estimate has been prepared by McCauley QS. The cost is inflated as a number of services need to be relocated.

3 Key Issues

- 3.1 Full Planning Permission needs to be obtained and lands acquired from the NIHE. In addition capital funding needs to be identified and secured to develop the project.

- 3.2 Council Legal's Services will also need to be instructed to initiate lands transfers between NIHE and Council with LPS appointed to assess any premium that may arise.

4 Equality, Legal, HR, Improvement, Rural Needs and other Implications

- 4.1 There are no Equality, Legal, HR, Improvement, Rural Needs or Other Implications associated with this item at this time.

5 Recommendations

- 5.1 Members are therefore asked to endorse the designs and further community consultation exercise subject to the successful outcome of the Planning Application and instruct Council's Legal Services and LPS to initiate land transfer arrangements.

Background Papers

Appendix 1. Design of Play Area