

TARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

File note 19 AUG 26

POUND CLOSE PLAY AREA

Visit with Greg Mowbray 10 AUG 26

Background

Herefordshire Council have offered to transfer ownership of the play area in Pound Close to Tarrington Parish Council (TPC). The annual inspection completed by ROSPA Play Safety on 17 March 2026 (their report attached as annex A.) found all the elements they inspected to be of low risk, but noted that the slide did not comply with the current safety standards, but also noted that there is no requirement to retrospectively change, as the equipment was installed prior to the publication of the current standards. The rocking car does meet current safety standards. Whilst there is no requirement to retrospectively improve the slide, this does present a risk that should be considered by TPC when considering an asset transfer.

Work required:

1. New signage.
2. Overgrown vegetation needs removing from the fence and the hedges need trimming.
3. Gate to be repaired so that it opens and closes easily.
4. Post & rail fencing estimated to last for a further 3 to 5 years if renovated. A number of posts and rails need replacing and the internal wire fence needs to be made taut. Re-staining/treating the wood will tidy the fencing aesthetically.
5. There is a bench that requires cleaning and renovation.
6. The litter bin need cleared of overgrowing vegetation and renovation.
7. Moss needs removing from the protective ground surfaces of the slide and rocker car.
8. There is decayed timber present on the slide platform which will need replacing.
9. The edges of the slide platform need to be chamfered.
10. The seat of the rocking car will need replacing.

Renovation cost

Greg Mowbray is able to complete required work 1 to 9, and estimates that 6 days will be required at £200 per day. Materials will cost £250 (excluding the rocker car seat). Should he complete the work faster, he will only charge for the days used.

Materials	£ 250.00
Labour	£ 1,200.00
Total cost	£ 1,450.00

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