

Report Purpose:

To update members on leisure and outdoor activity projects

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7.1 Parks and Play Areas

Windmill Park:

Clark and Kent have been awarded the contract, community consultation is due to take place 18th Nov at the park.

West Park

The fully accessible gate has been installed and the accessible roundabout and have been received extremely positively. Thankyou ANSA.

South Park

Funding toward trim trail, parkrun route and orienteering equipment has been approved for ANSA and this will go with S106 funding they have (this is still waiting to be signed off by CEC).

Weston Park

Goal post and netball post have been fitted at Weston Park.

Ash Grove Park

At Full Council it was approved for Ash Grove Park to have funding of £60,000. This will include a zip wire, benches and a play/tree house. ANSA are working on a proposal for the rest of the funding.

7.2 South Park Pavilion

We now have planning permission. We have engaged a VAT specialist to look at the VAT situation and await his report. Full updates will be on Full Council.

7.3 Playing Out

The Town Council supported Cre8 to hold a Playing Out session on Lyme Avenue on 27th July.

It was well attended by members of the community and was fantastic to see so many people of all ages interacting while the children enjoyed the freedom of playing in the street.

In February, an email was sent to local schools, groups and charities asking them to express their interest in being part of launching Playing Out in their area. No response was received. A reminder was sent out in early September. The email asks groups to let us know if they would like to find out more. We will hold individual meetings with groups to support them through the process. It requires a level of

commitment as volunteers must be trained in staffing road closures. St Paul's Church have said they are interested in being involved a meeting is being set up.

7.4 Allotments

A report is attached to review the allotment costs.

ACTION – To consider the review of the allotment charges.

Knowsley Road:

The water pressure issue has now been resolved.

We are keeping a close eye on plots to ensure they are being cultivated. A number of warnings have been issued. There are issues with keys not working properly so we will be looking at moving to a combination lock for the access gates.

Springfield Road:

There has been some fly tipping on the access road. This has been reported to Cheshire East Council and the Community Enforcement Officer has inspected the area.

Park Grove:

No update

7.5 Street sports

Basketball sessions have been paused for the winter.

Following a conversation with the street sports providers and also Councillors, the decision was made to continue with the most popular session (Hurdsfield) on a Wednesday and pause the other sessions throughout the winter due to lower attendance figures.

A street sports brief is being put together so we can look at how the 2024/2025 provision will be delivered.

Week 133 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|--------------|---------------|---------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Wed 25/10/23 | Banbury Close | Kyle & Arthur | | 18 | |

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| | Playing Fields | | | | |
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Week 132 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
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| Wed 18/10/23 | Banbury Close Playing Fields | Kyle & Arthur | | 26 | |

Week 131 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|----------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Tues 10/10/23 | Becks Lane Playing Fields | kyle & Tom | | 4 | |
| Wed 11/10/23 | Banbury Close Playing Fields | Kyle & Arthur | | 19 | |
| Thurs 12/10/23 | South Park MUGA | Kyle & Mackenzie | | 21 | |

Week 130 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|--------------|---------------------------|--------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Tues 3/10/23 | Becks Lane Playing Fields | kyle & Tom | | 3 | |
| Wed 4/10/23 | Banbury Close | Jamie & Mark | | 14 | |

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| | Playing Fields | | | | |
| Thurs 5/10/23 | South Park MUGA | Kyle & Mackenzie | | 13 | |

Week 129 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|---------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Tues 26/9/23 | Becks Lane Playing Fields | kyle & Tom | | 1 | |
| Wed 27/9/23 | Banbury Close Playing Fields | Jamie & Mark | | 8 | |
| Thurs 28/9/23 | South Park MUGA | Kyle & Mackenzie | | 9 | |

Week 128 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|---------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Tues 19/9/23 | Becks Lane Playing Fields | kyle & Tom | | 2 | |
| Wed 20/9/23 | Banbury Close Playing Fields | Jamie & Mark | | 7 | |
| Thurs 21/9/23 | South Park MUGA | Kyle & Mackenzie | | 10 | |

Week 127 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|---------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Tues 12/9/23 | Becks Lane Playing Fields | kyle & Tom | | 3 | |
| Wed 13/9/23 | Banbury Close Playing Fields | Jamie & Mark | | 19 | |
| Thurs 14/9/23 | South Park MUGA | Kyle & Mackenzie | | 7 | |

Week 126 -

| Date | Location | Coaches | Sports | Numbers | Weather |
|--------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|--------|---------|---------|
| Tues 5/9/23 | Becks Lane Playing Fields | kyle & Tom | | 2 | |
| Wed 6/9/23 | Banbury Close Playing Fields | Jamie & Mark | | 12 | |
| Thurs 7/9/23 | South Park MUGA | Kyle & Mackenzie | | 10 | |

7.6 Summer Schools

The summer schools programme ran again with the Town Council funding a number of places at summer clubs for children who wouldn't usually be able to take part. 28 children took part in week long activities.

Referrals came from schools and social services.

7.7 Park Fit

Park fit continued to take place in South Park until the end of September when it moved to All Hallows sports hall.

Numbers in the park averaged around 22.

Numbers in the sports hall for the first few weeks of October averaged around 18.

The usual activity is a range of bodyweight workouts that differ every week, some sessions include a bit of jogging/running and Matt has been bringing some of his own personal equipment to All Hallows to enable circuit style sessions.

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