

Wickhambrook Play Area and Teen Project Report

Safety Reports are complete and will be submitted to the Clerk.

The use of play areas has been low in the last two months until recently, with the change in the weather so bin emptying has minimal.

The loose seat fixings on the Bouncy Snail and the loose sign mountings reported in St Edmundsbury Monthly Report have been secured.

The Play Area bin at the entrance and the one on the Skate Park are increasingly filled with dog poo bags. This is not acceptable practice. Notices on the bins may help but and perhaps a new bin could be appropriately sited.

The servicing and repairs to the Zipwire have been completed and vastly improved its performance.

Skate Park/Games Area

On closer inspection, I have found that the posts on the wooden wall between the Skate Park and Games Area are rotting at the base. They are very thick but have lost about 2.5 cm of their girth. In my opinion they are not unsafe at present and present low risk for the next year or two, but we should plan and budget for replacements. A dual solution may also solve the problem of graffiti. A second opinion by Playforce or others companies would be good and a quotation for whatever they would suggest for a replacement. I have discussed this matter with the Clerk and she has some ideas about a scheme and funding for renovation of the whole area, which is looking very tired.

Roger Merry 26/2/2021