

Chiseldon Parish Council

RECREATIONAL GROUND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

The responsibility of the Recreational Ground Improvement Committee is to investigate the viability of updating and improving the current Rec Ground, along with obtaining additional land for said improvements.

Discussions with the Langton estate to discuss obtaining further land at the current location is still ongoing, with delays encountered due to the previous point of contact leaving and the newly appointed individual taking time to get acclimated to the job.

Following a tender, the committee has commissioned SWA (Stanhope Wolstenholme Architects) to complete drawings for the proposed design and provide cost estimates. This was seen as a prerequisite to meeting with the estate, showing intent in pursuing the expansion.

The committee has also sought pre-planning advice from Swindon Borough Council to determine the likelihood of planning approval down the line, should other requirements be met.

As always, the committee will adhere to the principles set out not long after the committee formed, with steps to ensure the local population are consulted at the correct times.

Resident turnout at the meetings has been sparse, but will likely increase in due course as the stages of the principles are met.

While overall progress may have been slow at times, we still continue towards the goal of improving the facilities for the parish. I would like to thank the Clerk and RFO for their work during the year in supporting the Committee's efforts.

Chaydon Ford Parish Councillor and Vice Chairman of the Rec Ground Improvement Committee Chiseldon Parish Council