## Parks update

## **Redland Green Play Area**

The design brief has now been completed by the Project Manager and copies of this were made available at the last Redland Neighbourhood Forum. The brief reflects the results and priorities from the consultation carried out earlier this year.

The Project Manager is now working with the Landscape Architect to firm up costs for the refurbishment of the Play Area. Once this has been established, the project team will meet with stakeholders to discuss and agree spend of remaining allocation on other priorities. Separately from this, public consultation can then begin on options for new layout and any necessary equipment replacement and provision.

## **Horfield Common Play Area**

Tenders have now been received and evaluated for the refurbishment of Horfield Common Play Area, with 5 options being selected as suitable for consultation. Public consultation on the designs will begin w/c 30<sup>th</sup> September 2013. As per previous agreement, the new play area will remain in the current location

## **Horfield Common PIP**

Following a meeting between the Area Environment Officer and the Chair of Friends of Horfield Common, work has begun on developing a Parks Investment Plan for the Common. Initial conversation covered various aspects of the Common including wild flower planting on respective borders on Horfield Common, forming a screen/barrier from roads, creation of walking/running route of various distances, planting of fruit trees and providing signage on pathways around the common warning pedestrians of cyclists and cyclists of their obligation to cycle considerately.

It is recognised that Horfield Common spans across the borders of 3 Neighbourhood Partnership areas, so the Area Environment Officer has been working with colleagues for respective NP's to help promote this plan and garner support and input. From this, the Area Environment Officer will formalise this plan to bring to the Neighbourhood Partnership for approval.

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