



AGENDA ITEM NO: 10

DUNDY VIEW NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

29th June 2015

Report of: Emily Smith
Title: Headley Park Play area
Officer presenting report: Emily Smith

Recommendation:

- a) To **decide** whether and in what way support can be given to the Headley Parkers to complete the work on the new park.

1. Background

- a. The Headley Parkers were successful in a Lottery Bid and won £50,000 from the People's Millions to invest in improving the local play park. After community consultations and voting a contractor was chosen.
- b. Working with the Senior Play Officer work was contracted and payment was originally intended to go through Bristol City Council systems thus avoiding payment of VAT.
- c. The funders decided that payment could not be made this way and that the contractor would have to be paid directly increasing the build cost by 20%.
- d. The Headley Parkers have sought support to cover this shortfall but to date have been unsuccessful.
- e. A consequence could be a park with reduced facilities

2. **Proposal Options**

- a. The Neighbourhood Partnership is asked if they can support the group and the work to ensure that the park that local residents chose and voted on is implemented on it is entirety.
- b. The Neighbourhood Plan has prioritised play parks, accessibility, increasing physical activity and improved facilities which the new park helps to deliver.
- c. Options
 - i. Neighbourhood Partnership contributes towards the cost of the outstanding VAT.
 - ii. Neighbourhood Partnership delivers elements of the work such as new paths, (accessibility), gateways (accessibility) this could be possibly achieved with the help of Parks Department and their accessibility fund.
 - iii. Fund the opening ceremony, cost of licenses and refreshment expenses.
 - iv. Neighbourhood Partnership unable to help at this time.