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# Improvements to West Molesey, Grovelands and Molesey Hurst Play Areas Survey Results

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Survey ran from 4 December 2023 to Sunday 7 January 2024. 231 Responses were received.

## 1. Improvements to West Molesey Play Area

### 1.1 Preferred age group for the new equipment:

6 to 8	46%
9 to 10	31%
11 to 12	23%

224 responses

### 1.2 What the new equipment should enable children to do:

Climbing	81%
Balancing	45%
Swinging	43%
Sliding	40%
Jumping	38%
Imagining and pretending	29%
Being high up	27%
Resting, laying, talking and sitting with friends	17%
Spinning	15%
Hiding	14%
Rolling	8%
Crawling	7%

Total: 223 responses

### 1.3 Comments regarding the new play equipment for West Molesey recreation ground

102 responses (full comments in Appendix 1 – pages 7 to 11))

Insights:



## 2. Grovelands Recreation Ground Trim Trail

### 2.1 Preferred replacement for trim trail

New trim trail (similar to existing)	53%
Teen equipment	22%
Calisthenics equipment	21%
Other*	5%
Removed and not replaced	1%

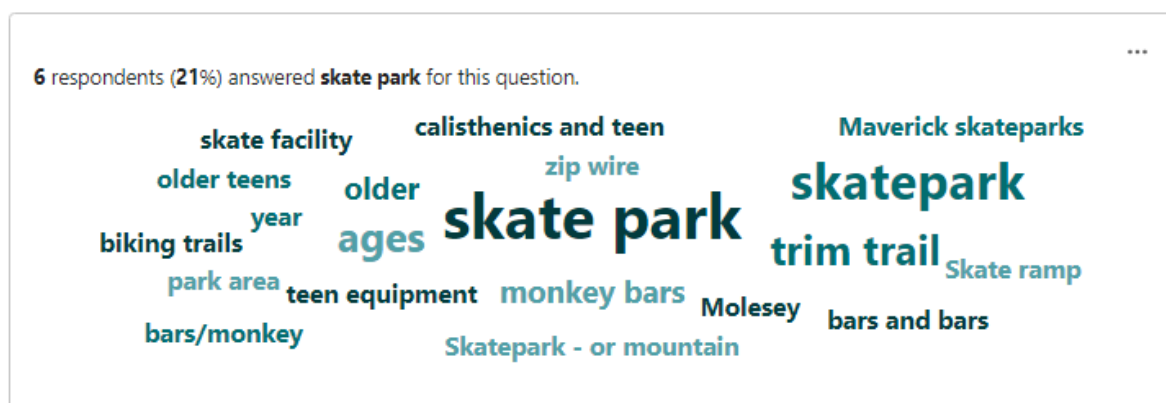
200 responses

### \*2.2 comments regarding the equipment replacement for Grovelands Recreation Ground

28 responses (full comments in Appendix 2 – pages 11 and 12))

Skateparks: 6 Responses

Equipment for teenagers: 5 Responses



### 2.2 Preferred age group for the new equipment:

214 responses

6 to 8	31%
9 to 10	30%
11 to 17	29%
18+	10%

## 3. Grovelands Play Area Tower Units

### 3.1 Tower unit to upgrade

Junior tower unit	72%
Infant tower unit	28%

(217 responses)

### 3.1 Preferred age group for new tower unit

6 to 8	32%
9 to 10	26%
2 to 5	23%
11 to 12	18%

(217 responses)

### 3.2 What the new equipment should enable children to do

Climbing	90%
Balancing	59%
Swinging	47%
Imagining and pretending	45%
Crawling	29%
Hiding	26%
Spinning	23%
Resting, laying, talking and sitting with friends	20%
Rolling	14%

216 responses

### 3.3 Comments about the new equipment in Grovelands recreation ground or play area

42 responses (full comments in Appendix 3 – pages 12 and 13)

Insights:



## 4. Molesey Recreation Ground

### 4.1 Preferred Replacement for the seesaw (to be in the same space)

125 responses (full comments in Appendix 4 – pages 13 to 16))

Insights:



#### 4.2 Preferred age group for new tower unit

6 to 8	36%
2 to 5	27%
9 to 10	21%
11 to 12	16%

241 responses

#### 4.3 What the new equipment should enable children to do:

Climbing	56%
Balancing	54%
Sliding	38%
Swinging	35%
Jumping	35%
Imagining and pretending	32%
Spinning	22%
Being high up	18%
Resting, laying, siting with friends	14%
Crawling	13%
Hiding	12%
Rolling	10%

Total: 207 responses

#### 4.4 Comments about new play equipment for Molesey Hurst recreation ground

52 responses (full comments in Appendix 5 – pages 16 to 18)

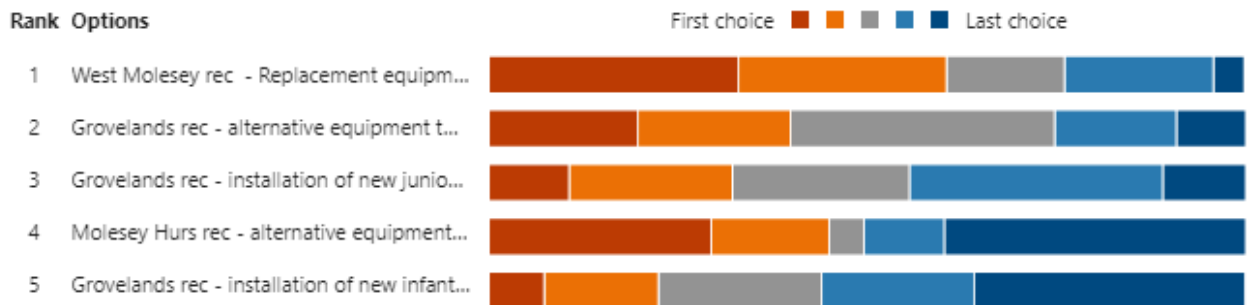
Insights:

11 respondents (21%) answered **park** for this question.



## 5. Installation of new equipment in the recreation grounds

### 5.1 Order in which respondents would like the new equipment to be installed



#### 1. West Molesey rec - Replacement equipment for junior tower unit and overhead spinner

1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	33%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	27.5%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	15.6%
4 <sup>th</sup> Choice	19.7%
5 <sup>th</sup> Choice	4.1%

#### 2. Molesey Hurs rec - alternative equipment to replace seesaw

1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	29.4%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	15.6%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	4.6%
4 <sup>th</sup> Choice	33.5%
5 <sup>th</sup> Choice	11%

#### 3. Grovelands – alternative equipment to replace trim trail

1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	19.7%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	20.2%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	34.9%

4 <sup>th</sup> Choice	16.1%
5 <sup>th</sup> Choice	9.2%

**4. Grovelands – installation of new junior tower unit**

1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	10.6%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	21.6%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	23.4%
4 <sup>th</sup> Choice	33.5%
5 <sup>th</sup> Choice	11%

**5. Grovelands – installation of new infant tower unit**

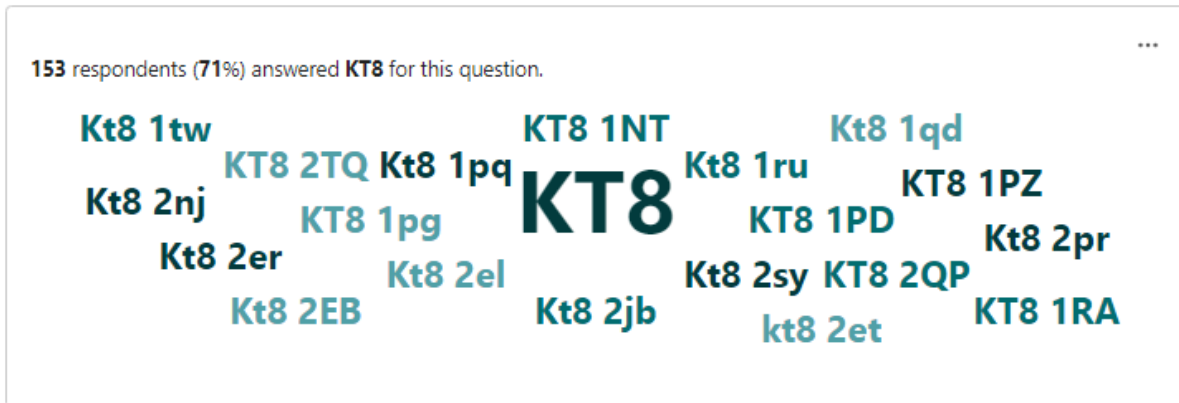
1 <sup>st</sup> Choice	7.3%
2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice	15.1%
3 <sup>rd</sup> Choice	21.6%
4 <sup>th</sup> Choice	20.2%
5 <sup>th</sup> Choice	35.8%

## 6. About respondents

### 6.1 Postcodes

215 responses

Insights:



### 6.2 Number of children cared for

225 responses

1	18%
2	57%
3	15%
4	7%
5+	3%

## 6.3 Age groups of cared for children

Age 225 responses

6 to 8	44%
9 to 12	41%
4 to 6	40%
1 to 3	31%
Under 12 months	12%
13 to 16	12%
17+	6%

## Appendix 1

### Comments regarding the new play equipment for West Molesey Recreation Ground

102 responses:

Should be for toddlers

Dangling, using upper body, taking age appropriate risks

Could also do with something more suitable for under 2's

With the exception of the swings there is no play equipment suitable for older children at this park except for the 2 pieces of equipment you're planning on removing. Either remove the older equipment and make this into a younger children's park with a separate area for older children or replace with suitably difficult equipment for the older ones. I personally have a 4 year age gap between my 2 children and find it tricky to accommodate both in this park currently.

We need physical challenges the over 5's and an area for older kids to hang out. More bins, more benches.

Should be for older children and include items like monkey bars, higher climbing areas

Still nothing at all for teens

Open ended equipment

There should be much more equipment, the playground is no comparison to say the outdoor playground in Farnham or the playground in Reigate at Priory park! It's sad that children in this area are subject to the poor equipment that the council have neglected over all these years.

There needs to be more equipment for all age ranges. The parks in Molesey have been neglected by the council for years. Inspiration for Molesey parks should be sought from priory park in Reigate, Borden natural play area, jungle park in Woking park playground, Lammas Park Staines, Churchfields recreation ground Weybridge.

Toilets would be amazing to have, cafeteria would be nice

It's embarrassing; so many kids in Molesey and the most pathetic playgrounds for miles. The older kids need a football cage, skate park or at least some decent equipment.

Equipment for older children is really needed.

No

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I really like the proposed plan my children's are 6 and 8 and will use the bars for gymnastics, jumping and hanging from the monkey bars

Need toilets

Looks great

Different areas for different age groups. So not mixing smaller children equipment with bigger kids as they can be rough. Also having the bigger kids equipment in a way that's open so no bullying or antisocial behaviour can be seen from the road.

Toilets would be really useful.

It is a great play area for pre and primary school age children due to its smaller size and the sandpit. I would urge you not to include equipment for older children. They have the whole Rec to play sports/run around etc and it only encourages them to come in and sit on the swings for hours whilst little ones can't play. We live opposite the Rec and see this happening daily and for some families it makes the park unuseable.

Keep what is there and add to it

I'm looking forward to taking my Granddaughter there next year ! Having upto date equipment is desperately needed !

Even though this is pitched for older kids, please make it accessible for aged 2+ who frequently use the tower unit to climb and play underneath.

It would be great to have multipurpose play equipment that could interest more than one age range with more than 3 activity approaches.

Please can we have all inclusive equipment

My kids were very sad when the last set of monkey bars went at Hurst Pool and we are very glad they have been reinstated! Something challenging like monkey bars is what's needed in Molesey. I would also love to see a proper bouldering wall, bit just one on a 2x2m board but a real bouldering wall (like I have seen on playgrounds in Germany) would be fantastic. Done right a bouldering wall can serve people of all ages, even adults!

Provision for less able people, there seems to be nothing in Molesey. Current equipment only for able-bodied.

I wanted to suggest considering the creation of a simple gym CALISTHENICS STATION WITH MONKEY BARS specifically for teenagers. I believe that if they had a designated space to engage in physical activities, it could potentially reduce incidents of vandalism and misuse of the facilities.

This is so positive! Great news.

There are not enough seating areas for families with kids to stay and sit while watching kids play.

Skate Park, Bike park, Dirt Jumps, Singletrack, flowtrail, pump track.

What about catering for younger children?

More benches could be installed as there's plenty of space

Skateboard/bmx ramps, adventurous climbing frames and unusual/challenging swings as well as the traditional swings.

Skate park would be amazing! There is nowhere for youth in Molesey!!

We'd love a skate park!

The equipment in west Molesey is aimed at very young, preschool age. There is not enough for over 6s. There should be more challenging, fun spaces. West Molesey has the poorest children in Elmbridge and they need this chance for free, fun, safe play places.

Just something for the older kids to do on summer days

We desperately need frames that are challenging for older children. And/or a skate and scooter park, we currently have to travel miles for the nearest one.

Please get it quick! Thanks!

A sandpit would be fabulous, also all weather flooring so it doesn't flood or get too muddy in winter and children can use it all year long.

This park has so much potential to be expanded with opportunities to become more engaging for both younger children and older. The space could be expanded beyond the fences to include new areas of play and divided to suit both younger and older children, especially older children as my 10 year old son craves more complex play areas. Thank you.

Skate Park type ramps and such would be fantastic for all ages on bikes or scooters.

The park should cater for all ages



A place to roller skate would be much appreciated!

Something comparable to Weybridge pirate cove playground or the Coronation recreation ground in Hersham.

More for older children.

Would be fantastic to have a skate park

A skate park would be a very welcome addition to Molesey

Really think we need a skate park. Also, would be good to look at the play park in Brooklands. Seems to be something for everyone there.

A cycle pump track or skate park would suit all age groups and promotes healthy outside exercise..

Molesey desperately needs a skate park/ramps.

The benefits to many age groups (and older generations) would be invaluable.

A skateboarding/scooting area would be amazing, there aren't any in the local area.

Skateboard ramp. With benches to promote children having activities to keep them out of trouble

I think the age group is so wrong what about the younger ones that are not at school and access the parks often, the new one at hurst pool is awful for the small ones now they took little climbing frame away

Skate ramps would be a great idea or the kids good for all ages. There is a great example of this in Selsey if looking for inspiration

A bike pump track and skate board ramp area would work for all ages (scooters, bikes, and skateboards)

Please make sure the fences are well painted.

Gates need to be easy to close as they are often left open with the obvious inconvenience caused by dogs. Cameras should be installed to monitor any illegal activities and antisocial behaviour (there have been cases of religious hate in Grovelands). Daily litter picking.

A new pavement that doesn't turn into mud is needed !

I know it's out door play but being the uk we have a lot of rain. And when it is raining these nothing to play on unless equipment has a roof.

Also the water park in Walton is great and the kids love it but gets packed and no parking would be lovely to have something near

Molesey needs and would benefit from having an Olympic grade skatepark. Kingston skatepark is already popular with individuals of all ages but not a viable option for children with busy parents that have to pay to get there. Skateboarding takes dedication to achieve success. You need to skate as much as possible and to do so at Kingston is expensive.

Update it for 9-13 year olds. Zip wire, large round swing etc... Add a nice splash park area! Perfect 👍

It's currently for very small children. Needs to be challenging. Maybe even a splash pad! Get some ideas from the Staines one we go there all the time as it's amazing two different parks for different ages, splash pad, cafe it's a great day out in the summer! This is a great space in molesey and needs to be utilised

There is plenty of play equipment locally for younger kids. However there is NOTHING for older children and teenagers. I have to drive my 12 year old to Hersham or even further afield simply for him to climb/hang upside down/use monkey bars. Please install equipment that older children can use so they can get their energy out too - they don't stop wanting to do that when they hit 12, but there's simply nothing available locally.

I think equipment for hiding and resting/laying etc that is for older children will encourage antisocial behaviour

Is that it?

Something big and amazing like the coronation recreation ground large things. Plus a water spray or small paddling pool.

Calisthenics promotes overall physical development in kids, enhancing strength, flexibility, and coordination.

Is it possible to utilise the big hill in the park further so it's not just used for the slide?

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Please make sure it is landscaped beautifully-

There are so many good examples of playgrounds that blend in beautifully and where the equipment is made from wood and is not an eyesore. Look at Wisley, Kew Gardens for examples.

Hi renew the park and add toilets

I would request something for older children (end of primary/beginning secondary). Not a lot for any of that age in any parks.

Yes why does it start at 6plus why not 18 months when they really need to be able to develop! You taken down the small climbing frame for the early years age group and not replaced it

Most playgrounds are aimed at pre-school children or those of younger age range. It would be great to have some more challenging playgrounds for older kids who enjoy playing outdoors.

Anyway to prevent anti social behaviour from older children.

The current equipment is currently targeted at younger children, while this is great, it would also be good to have somewhere for the other children to use instead of them damaging the existing equipment. Large flood lights would deter crime.

I do not like the proposal. Please remember youths may collect there. The hurdles are a trip hazard. Why not have a sensory garden; one that is wheelchair accessible. I do not like the planting; it is not safe for walkers and it takes away open safety. Why were the basket ball courts fencing removed? It looks shambolic. Also dog walkers on leads, with older folk exercising should be considered. The parks should be for everyone. The bench by the Walton Road seems to be used as a drug dealers meeting point. Please could we have some herbs and colours for visual impact. Why not use the design in Coronation Rex, Hershaw. The design offered here looks like a glorified hamster wheel with its circuits.

Molesey needs okay areas for ages from 2-16. Areas they can play, sit & chat, exercise, have fun in general.

Would be nice to have some more challenging equipment for the older kids

Apart of equipment it would be good to have more picnic benches, some of the playground covered for sunny/rainy day and maybe a path for kids to practise riding their bikes ect

Should be child friendly

Lots of facilities are for younger children, could do with something for the older ones

no

Skatepark, Skatepark, Skatepark, Skatepark,

Quite a lot of things for little ones to do - not much in molesey for older children

It should be for all age ranges.

A decent skatepark and pump track would be good

Opportunities to use energy and also to inspire imagination through play

Needs to be a range of equipment for all ages from toddlers to pre teens

Avoid contrasting equipment where you might have small toddlers on a swing next to a group of boisterous kids on a large dish swing. Make spaces which encourages safe playing for those age groups.

You need to make easy access for toddlers to crawl on to and play! The one you have done at Hurst pool is not suitable for toddlers any more the one before was perfect!

Colourful, wooden, no dogs sign,

Wooden structures preferable. Appealing to the imagination.

A lot of local playground equipment caters for little children, but children 8+ still play if the equipment is suitable. I work in a school and there were a lot of disappointed children (in Years 3/4 and 5) after the playground next to Hurst Pool was refurbished. It is a nice playground for children under 5, but there is nothing there for older children. My son was gutted the monkey bars were removed.

Adding some modern stuff

As a mother of a 4.5&2 year old who both love the outdoors I think all ages should be included not just the older children

Monkey frame would be the best, the kids used to love that by the pool, so many came from other areas specially for that and now it's gone. Since then, my kids haven't been to that playground

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Currently the play equipment is used by older teenagers, which can be intimidating for little ones. Perhaps something solely for them would help this (super high up etc)

At the end of the survey it mentions replacing the spinner. Not sure why this is necessary. It is a great addition to the playground

The play equipment is Molesey is currently in an appalling state. It's old, out of date and boring. This is such an essential resource, especially for this generation of children who are developmentally so behind due to Covid. They didn't develop those early gross motor and sensory milestones that then enable them to access education. I could have ticked so many more than 3 above as they are all such important skills to develop. If this goes ahead, developers should look at other LAs and the quality of their playgrounds - there is an excellent one on Clapham Common, suitable for a wide age range.

A woodland style play trail would be interesting, and provide a more 'upmarket' feel to the offering

Needs to be fun

This playground is quite good in comparison to the one near Molesey boat club. Could you please direct your funds appropriately.

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## Appendix 2 – comments regarding the equipment replacement for Grovelands Recreation Ground

28 Responses

We LOVE the trim trail so would rather it not be replaced. Molesey is screaming out for a skatepark somewhere. This isn't the right place for it as too close to the houses that back on to this part of Grovelands park.

A half pipe for older teens to skate and hang out.

Why is there an option for removed and not replaced and why are you consulting on an option for 18+ when we are discussing children's play equipment

The trim trail is pretty good, challenging, not very Difficult, I would just repair and improve it (extend it) and I am speaking about the one in the park, outside the playground fence

N/a

I also think there should be something else for teenagers to do other than the youth club !

Our 2+ old loves this wooden trim trail. There is nothing like it in the area. He can only do up to the monkey bars by himself which is fine. He loves the wooden troll bridge!

Inclusive zip wire

The wind gets very slippery, but this trail is a fun activity for all ages.

Skatepark - or mountain biking trails.

I think teen equipment, callisthenics or a combination of both would be good. Even something exciting like a skate park or chance to climb.

Tie between calisthenics and teen, as teens could use the equipment?

Skate park

Skate park

Skate ramp please!

Skate park / ramps

Skate park

See the company 'Maverick skateparks'. They have built a quality, compact skate facility in Chobham that service's individuals of all ages. Molesey would benefit from having similar.

Splash park area and update an area for 9-13 year olds. Zip wire / large round swings etc...

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Teen equipment - for example witches hat (a high one similar to one in Brooklands), climbing bars/monkey bars, etc.

Equipment for all age groups

Trim trail but some more advanced elements including monkey bars and bars to swing and spin from

Climbing frame for the early years age as they now have absolutely nothing it ridiculous

Sensory garden with wheelchair access

Skatepark, Skatepark,

Skatepark or pump track

Skate park

I don't know this playground so cannot comment

## Appendix 3 - Comments about the new equipment in Grovelands recreation ground or play area

42 responses:

We need to include sensory or fine motor skills equipment here. There is nothing written or to improve speech and language, and nothing inclusive for SEN or disabled children.

More for teens

Open ended and to help older children stay out of antisocial behaviour

This playground like the rest in Molesey are long over due decent equipment. Inoffensive take my children to better playgrounds out of Elmbridge such as Jungle Park in Woking which really shows what can be done. The trim trail is the best thing at Grovelands for my two children aged 4 and 5. For such a big area with such a small amount of equipment, I really do not understand why more money hasn't been spent? The playground doesn't offer enough (much like the rest of the parks in Molesey) Lammas Park in Staines is far better than any of the parks here in Molesey!

There needs to be more equipment for all age ranges. The parks in Molesey have been neglected by the council for years. Inspiration for Molesey parks should be sought from priory park in Reigate, Borden natural play area, jungle park in Woking park playground, Lammas Park Staines, Churchfields recreation ground Weybridge.

Please don't get rid of the infant unit, it's so nice having something that crawling babies can use and enjoy or toddler new to walking

There's need for more sitting for the carers( benches, tables) For the kids would be very nice a long tiroliana, perhaps a trampoline, little den in the hill(hidding place)

I would like toilets at this park

The plan looks great

It all needs updating and the new round about is dangerous little kids foot can get caught which has done. The one before was flat a wheelchair could go on it without any issues

I just can't wait to see it finished !

Important that 2+ year old can crawl over walkways and bridges and pull themselves up. It would be nice to have moving parts E.g a steering wheel that actually moves.

Inclusive

Depending on what the trim trail will be replaced by, it would be nice if the playing equipment wouldn't "double up" on skills and things to do but complement it.

As previous, anything for those with disabilities who want to exercise?

On the playground, there is already space to design a calisthenics station with monkey bars between the tennis court and a basketball court at no extra cost.

There should also have more swings added and an better roundabout. Also extra seating is definitely needed

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Skatepark, mountain bike trails, bike park

The new equipment there is good but aimed at younger children

A place to roller skate or skateboard

Skate park

Yes! Skate park please

Build a specific skate park /ramps

Keep the trim trail!!!

Fences to be painted.

Please make something suitable for over 12s. They are currently excluded from all the play areas locally.

Is that it?

The trim trail area is clearly going to be focused on older children so the younger tower should be upgraded to improve things across a range of ages. From my experience in schools, gym equipment is very under used and often a waste of money. Trim trails are much better value for money and are always popular

It would be great if there was a much wider variety of things to play on, that could provoke the imagination too. Similar to Hersham coronation rec.

Playground also needs more lights

Renew the toys and add toikets

I would appreciate something for older children (9-13).

the younger tower needs a replacement

Please could we have an Elmbridge common brand; stop giving all the premium equipment to Cobham Downside and Weybridge and provide it across the board in Elmbridge to Grovelands too.

Plenty for younger children, engagement for older ones would be good

Make a skatepark (please)

It should all be gradually replaced

More challenge

Wooden structures preferable. Appealing to the imagination.

Adding modern stuff

I like the benches for grown-ups. Pls don't remove these!!!

No

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## Appendix 4 Replacement of seesaw to be replaced at Molesey Hurst Recreation Ground (to go in the same place

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Another group seesaw

Something spinny? Definitely for older children as this side of the park in our opinion is for older children whereas the other side has younger equipment

Seesaw equilant

Something for older children, a net to climb high, or something the can swing on and get dizzy

Another seesaw

Balance beams

Balance equipment

Toddler friendly equipment

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Diggers and sandpits that kids could practice imaginary play. Sound/musical toys

A new seesaw

Something that is much better than what is there. The parks all need redevelopment not just remove one thing and replace it with something else that we have been given no idea what the options are. The playgrounds are boring, uninspiring and an embarrassment to the residents of Molesey who have children.

Anything that all age ranges can utilize

A climbing frame/slide that 2-5 age group can use. There's nothing there at the moment that they can climb on.

A bigger seesaw

My nephew loves the seesaw

Climbing wall

Similar see saw

Climbing wall

A better seesaw

A small climbing frame/slide set for young toddlers. At the moment none of the equipment (apart from the swings) are suitable for young children who are just starting to walk and climb

Another seesaw

A new seesaw

Monkey bars and rotation bars

Climbing frame

Another seesaw or a roundabout

A seesaw for 2 people is perfect.

It would be fantastic to have another piece of equipment aimed at younger age range

Trampoline

Spinning wheel of sorts

The kids seem to like the seesaw. I would quite like to see a seesaw there again.

Spring thing

Something similar

No opinion on this one.

A train or vehicle pretend play equipment..

Skate ramp

No

Small jungle gym.

Sunken trampoline

Another seesaw

Spinners

Roundabout

Climbing frame

An adventurous swing/ spin/ jumping station

Skate slide, zip wire or monkey bars

Something to balance on

Equipment that is challenging for older children

The mini built in trampolines

A climbing frame for younger children the park is now not suitable for toddlers

Seesaw

Another seesaw

Another seesaw

Spinning thing

Large nest type swing or spinning swing like the ones at Coronation Recreation Ground  
Hersham/Bushey Park

Not sure but something to capture the imagination and interest of older children

Equipment to stand on, hold onto and spin around

Spinning equipment

Skate ramp

See saw

Monkey bars

A climbing frame for the 18 months - 5 years

New see saw with better shock absorbers.

The net swing. It's a round basket you lay in these one at busy park

New seesaw

Zip wire / splash park area. Widen the area, it's big enough!!

IF need replacing I would like a little ground trampoline for the older children. As not much for them.

A castle with hiding bits, ropes so they can climb up and a slide, monkey bars

N/A

We like the seesaw currently

Nothing I'd like to see more equipment added in the available space.

Monkey bars / trampolines

More swings

Swings

Maybe mini trampolines

Roundabout

If this is the shark seesaw then something similar as the kids love

Climbing frame for early years ages under 5 as you took their one away and haven't replaced it now they have absolutely nothing to play on and their development is most important at their age

Boulders for climbing (like in Bushy Park) - High swing bars (these were removed by Hurst Pool and should be replaced for older kids)

something musical, possibly play shops or locations like doctors, pirate ship etc

New seesaw

Climbing cage bars, ropes, slides on it, climbing wall on one side

Something that requires teamwork but isn't as heavy as the old see saw

Monkey bars or climbing wall

Trim trail

A swing which parent and child can use together

Yes

Climbing frame

Like for like

A skate Park

A better seesaw

Seesaw

Another see saw

Spinning cup or a climbing tower

A seesaw that can be used by one or two children, kids can bounce up and down in the seat as well as the whole bar being able to rotate.

A roundabout

Same

Seesaw

Something made of wood that's multifunctional

Monkey bars

Trampoline

Similar seesaw

Playhouse

Older seesaw

Monkey bars and slide

A better seating area for families.

Another seesaw

Train, fire engine, something for imagination

Sunken trampoline

A new seesaw

Something for toddlers, all the current equipment is too hard for toddlers

Balancing equipment

Bucket swing

A spinning swing

Monkey bars / sandpit or wooden kitchen / pretend boat to stir / trampoline

The same one

Something for older children eg climbing tower with monkey bars.

Some modern swings

A new seesaw

Monkey bars/climbing like the old one used to be. But monkey bars for sure

Something that needs children to use core stability

Tunnel

Roundabout

Climbing frame

Climbing tower

We are not playground planners - this is a terrible question. Speak to a consultant and get the appropriate advice.

Monkey Bars

## Appendix 5 Comments about the new play equipment for Molesey Hurst recreation ground

The ground/drainage should be the priority here please. This park is not usable in winter/wet conditions as the ground gets water logged/flooded.

Need more danger for big kids, something innovative and different.

Teen equipment added

I'm amazed at just one thing being replaced at this playground. This here is a fine example of a vast open space that could have had the most amazing adventure playground and what has been put in the middle of the field is a tired, boring, uninspiring playground! Priory park in Reigate is 100 times better, Pirate Park in Weybridge... the list goes on. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to look at other playgrounds and see how bad this one is! It should hold the attention of children who visit and it



simply doesn't. My 4 and 5 year old girls are bored within 10 minutes... they should want to stay there for an hour or longer. Why couldn't the playground have been bigger with a sand play, water play, a huge pirate ship, monkey bars, balance beams... its really not difficult to think of fun and exciting apparatus to put in these playgrounds. Rather than it being a tick box exercise, please look at other playgrounds that I have mentioned and see where the council have desperately gone wrong in building these poorly designed playgrounds!

This is such a big park with such a small limited amount of play equipment. The parks in Molesey are a disgrace. There needs to be more equipment for all age ranges. The parks in Molesey have been neglected by the council for years. Inspiration for Molesey parks should be sought from priory park in Reigate, Borden natural play area, jungle park in Woking park playground, Lammas Park Staines, Churchfields recreation ground Weybridge.

There's nothing there at the moment that 2-5 can use independently

Depending on the budget, would be great to have a larger equipment (like a castle) to enable kids to do all above mentioned, otherwise....at least a tiroliana would make a change

Some serious funding needed, so much space and pathetic play area for kids. Football goals, basketball hoops etc needed for older kids.

None

Would love to see something for 8 year and upwards

None of the equipment at the moment is suitable for toddlers who are just starting to walk. The current equipment is too tall or too hard for them to climb. The old small slides and climbing frame (now removed) was great for this age group. It would be good to have something similar installed for young children or toddlers.

The old climbing frames the bigger one with monkey bars and the toddler one were absolutely amazing and well loved by children if all ages - please can there be something very similar! (The new slides are rubbish and really dangerous especially the bigger one, with massive gaps etc

Since the renovation it feels that its aimed at older children and would be nice to see some softer more imaginative equipment for the littlest people

All inclusive

Not invested in this one

BTW, it's 'lying', not 'laying'

The Hurst Park (beside Hurst pool) junior frame has been a downgrade; the new climbing frame half the size initially, and still 1/4 less than what was originally there.

For the infant frame, previously I would see infants (<1-3 years old) using the old younger kids frame with multiple small slides, steps, hiding places and bridges. It has been replaced by something far inferior, for 3-4+ which is a massive oversight.

My children visit multiple times per week and I use the outdoor gym most days adjacent to the park and have seen a huge drop off in infants using it.

Skatepark, bike park

Shade. For adults watching kids and kids to take a break

It would be amazing if Molesey had something similar to Weybridge or Hershams

Would love a skate park!

It needs upgrading for older than 5 . Maybe a large circular swing and a large slide?

Made for young children

Need to be more appealing to older kids. It's the most boring playground in the area at the moment so we don't use it.

A skate park - somewhere

A cycle pump track or skate park would be a great addition which promotes outdoor exercise..

Build a skate park / ramps.

It would be greatly beneficial to all age groups.

You took the little ones play equipment away and haven't replaced it

Cameras and litter picking daily.

More a comment on the whole play area in that the grass becomes very cut up and boggy in the rain making the whole area inaccessible and all the play equipment muddy.

Just that the grass needs to be kept short the nettles and thistles got very high this year.

Zip wire / large round swing / splash park area.

Shame your getting rid of the seasaw and not other things in the park as my parents like to play on the seasaw with their grandson and my parents are in their 40s.

Is that it?

More equipment and add toilets

Needs to be more to suit the verity of ages

The new one is completely rubbish and nowhere near as good as the old one waste of money

Again, something for older children - challenging their physical skills.

Please make it premium, nautical themed, horse racing themed with heritage of the area. Make it wheel chair accessible and give seating for retired and disabled, accompanying children, as family carers. Please be inclusive to families with dogs on leads, well behaved family pets. Thank you.

As with my previous answer we need more areas for all ages & space to sit & chat safely.

More picnic benches around, some area to be covered/shade

Make it more child friendly

No

A skatepark or pump track

Plant more young trees around the perimeter. Repair the rubber flooring with something more natural. Include wildlife spotting resources.

Need more equipment for toddlers

Add one or two benches and tables for families

Wooden structures preferable. Appealing to the imagination.

Please put something in for older children as currently the playground very much caters for really young children. My son was gutted when the monkey bars were taken out. Please put them back!!!

Adding new style entertaining equipment

Same as the comment for West Molesey - it's too aimed at younger children.

No

Please invest in the play equipment on Graburn way between the Cricket Club and the Boat club. It needs investment rather than these 3 other playgrounds.