

Highcliffe play area questionnaire analysis

Questionnaires returned: 34

Ages	
1-3	14
4-7	25
8-10	12
11-13	11
13+	7

Do you use these play areas?	Yes	No
KGV	27	
Gordon Avenue	16	1
Abbey Gardens	21	
Stanmore Rec	1	
Dean Park	2	
Olivers Battery	2	
Southampton Common	1	
Skate Park	1	
Walpole Park Gosport	1	
Winnall	2	
Friary Gardens	1	
River park	4	
Orams arbour	1	

Reasons for not using play areas	
Wrong Equipment	5
Too far away	5
Fear of other users	2
Not overlooked	2
Stranger Danger	0
Other comments:	2
Drug users in North Walls all the time	
Fear of local teens/our own neighbours	

Desired age range for Gordon Avenue	
No specific age range	1
Younger children	2
0-8	2
0-10	1
0-12	6
3-12	4
8-15	1
All ages	8

Type of equipment to be installed at Gordon Avenue

Equipment	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	Total
Slide	7	3	2	1	5	18
Flat seat swings	6	4	1	2	1	14
Vehicles	6	1	3	1	2	13
Climbing frame	8	1	1	1	2	13
Trampoline	3	2	3	1	3	12
Basket swing	6	2	2	2		12
Balance trail	3		2	3	4	12
Roundabout	4	3		2	2	11
Cradle swings	6	1	3	1		11
Multiplay unit	5	1	1	3		10
Climbing wall	5	1	1	1	1	9
Rope net	5		1		2	8
Football goal	3	2		2	1	8
Basketball hoop	2				2	4
Springy animals			1	1		2

Equipment seen at other sites	
Something imaginative	2 pirate ship, aeroplane, rocket, submarine
Tunnels	2
Forts	
Bridges	
Towers to climb	
Monkey bars	
Zip wire	4
Dam	
Natural play equipment	
Metal structure with diagonal ropes	large enough for 11 children to play on
Climbing equipment	2
Scooter track like Orams Arbour	3
Train from Abbey Gardens	
Gym area	3
Twirling tea cups	
Sand pit	
Fire engine	
Water play	
Spider web climbing frame	
Pivot swing with 4 hanging tyre seats	
Cantilever basket swing	
Spica / spinning pole	
Spinning bowl	
Twin fly	
Log climber	
Cone climber	
Space net	
Snake swing	

Gordon Avenue existing issues
Too much concrete
Grass is uneven so children struggle to play games
Old rusty and dangerous
Lack of variety and amount of equipment
Needs rubber buffer on gates
Basketball hoop a waste of time
Long grass
Play area too small
Antisocial behaviour from older children
Litter
Balance trail needs oil on pivots
Tarmac area around basketball / football completely unsuitable surface causing nasty injuries
Area not safe for children
Very tucked away not on main thoroughfare
Not attractive for older children

Desired age range for KGV	
0-10	1
0-12	3
3-12	3
11+	
5-15	2
teenage	3
all ages	13

Desired KGV facilities	
Ramps	5
Basketball area	3
Small climbing frames	1
Zip wire	6
Water park	6
Large quantity of items	3
New skate park like river park	
Field space for general games	
Bigger equipment for climbing	4
Games for imagination	
Refurbish multiuse games area	1
Wooden climbing equipment	2
Seating with wild flowers	
Picnic area	
Same as existing range	3
Table tennis	
Climbing wall	2
Sand pit	2

forts, bridges, tunnels, assault course, climbing nets, monkey bars

appropriate risk for age 8-12

with buckets, spades and cups

Desired KGV facilities cont.d	
Vehicle to play in	
Somewhere to hide	2 very important
Slides	2
Ropes	
Hopscotch	
Obstacle course	4
Trampoline	2
Themed play	
Toilet	
Shop for snacks	
Drinking fountain	
Gym	
Traditional play with safety surface for ages 1-8	
Ages 9-4 climbing frame, basketball hoops, meeting seating area	
Large multiplay	
Adventure play area with rocks, mounds and trees	
Tennis	
Bowls	
Putting green	
Bandstand with regular brass bands	

KGV existing issues
People driving to the sports pitches x 3
Skate park is rusty and dangerous
Lack of variety
Old and worn out
Table tennis not used - no bats and balls
No toilets
Skate ramps old fashioned
Very exposed x 2
Intimidating behaviour by bored teens who are too old for the park and don't skate or scoot
Business dog walkers - too many dogs off lead and no
Always being damaged by older kids
Access too narrow
Footpath overgrown
Consider setting for new play area with landscaping

What makes a good play area?	
Diversity of equipment	16
Fenced	3
Clean	5
Safe	9
Space	4
Natural play	2
Imaginative play	5
Picnic area	2
Attractive rest areas	1
Bushes and trees to hide in	1
Safety surface	1
Shady areas	3
Well maintained	3
Lots of equipment	1
Fun equipment	3
Big range of ages can play	2
Busy	1
Benches	2
Shelter from rain	1
Café	1
Toilets	1