

In the Parish

	Do you support Groombridge having a new playground?	Do you support the Parish Council applying for a Public Works Load in the amount of £50,000 to fund this project? This will NOT increase your Council Tax.
YES	605	602
NO	2	5
TOTAL	607	607

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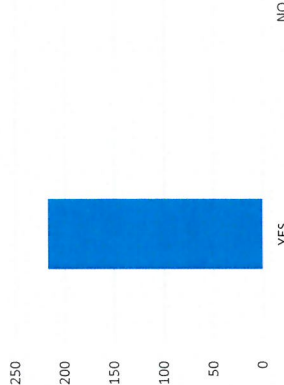
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Outside The Parish

	Do you support Groombridge having a new playground?	Do you support the Parish Council applying for a Public Works Load in the amount of £50,000 to fund this project? This will NOT increase your Council Tax.
YES	217	217
NO	0	0
TOTAL	217	217

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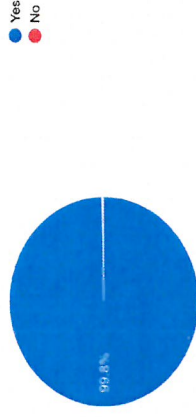


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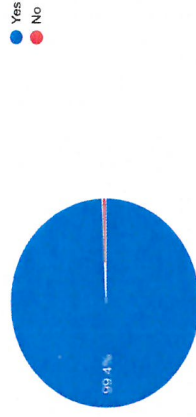


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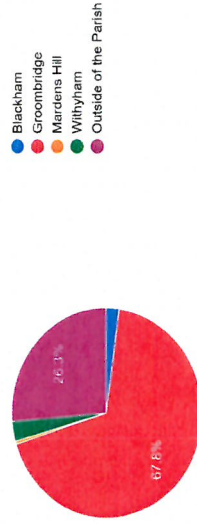
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824 responses



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Where do live in the Parish
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All Comments Provided

i have a small child and there are not many places i can take her to, so having a new local playground will be a massive bonus for her to have fun/ socialise with other local kids and for me to meet local mums too

Much needed

So important to have an inspirational and safe place for children to play for their creative nourishment and wholesome play. Less screens more outside fresh air!

Long overdue

We desperately need a new playground...if you compare us to all of the other local villages it really is shameful!

Really needed! Good on the council for taking this step.

We need this playground ASAP!

It's been a long time coming. A big thank you!

This initiative is an essential part of our community. Parents and grandparents need a safe secure place to take children. After the couple of years our children have had they deserve to have this space.

The current playground has very limited play equipment that has aged and is in need of a makeover.

This playground is very much needed!

The playground is desperately needed for the children in the local area. With the past couple of years, it has been really noticeable how little the children have locally to play on!

Our girls love the existing playground although it's very long in the tooth. Having the new playground would encourage them to get out and play more, helping with their health both mental and physical. A great upgrade for the parish

It would be brilliant to improve the playground, really glad to see this happening

This is brilliant and just what the village needs

I worked on getting the playground fenced and dog safe quite a few years ago for my daughters , and would so appreciate the work continuing for my grandchildren who all live in Groombridge

About time!!!

The village will benefit from such investment as the current facilities are not fit for purpose

Since the selling off of the school fields for development there is less recreational area for children.

Fully support

This is very much needed

The current playground is from a different era and not fit for purpose.

This is great for the community.

Children in Groombridge (and everywhere) have endured so much in the pandemic. This playground improvement work is vital for helping with their social, physical and emotional development and well being.

Groombridge is a village with many young children and I think the development of safe community outdoor spaces is important for children, their families and a sense of community.

The village is in desperate need of the playground being updated. There is a lot to draw visitors to Groombridge with the Spa Valley railway and Groombridge place, but not so much for families to do once here. I think a new playground will be a great asset to the local community and encourage more visitors too which will be a boost for local businesses
This is well needed and we are very grateful as parents to a young child in the village
Amazing scheme and long overdue
Very important for the community to have a decent and safe place for our children to play.
Children should have a place to play.
Our kids should have a place to go to to have fun and be safe.
I think it's an exciting and much needed project.
This is fantastic news and is long overdue for children in the Parish.
This will be a wonderful amenity for the village.
Desperately needed and well overdue ðŸ’ðŸ™
A new playground will be a real asset to Groombridge and the rest of the Parish
I worked hard as a Parish Councillor some time back(30 years or so ago!)to secure the funds to refurbish the playground. I am so pleased that this facility will give all the children in the Parish and beyond the chance to keep enjoying it!
A much needed project for local children - well done!
The playground is a vital part of the community and a must.
This is a MUCH needed community space for the youngsters of Groombridge and beyond. These children need a safe and uplifting place to be able to play to keep them fit, active and healthy mentally and physically. I can't support this venture enough!
It's high time that children had a safe playground to play in, like all the other surrounding villages seem to
Great initiative and long overdue!
Groombridge is in desperate need on having a new playground
The present playground is not fit for purpose. new one would be well used by local children and grandchildren of residents. An asset to the village.
Great idea. Play creates happiness
The new playground will be a great benefit for the health and well-being of all children in the village.
The money would be better spent making the playing field drain properly during the wet months. This would have a bigger impact on the village and benefit more than the early years members of the village
The new playground is sorely needed and will be very much appreciated by all in the local area. There is a pre-school and primary school close-by the area.
Our playground is so depleted and sad. It is still used in its current state by the large number of young families and by grandparents with their grandchildren. A new safe facility is so long overdue and and a fresh, up-to-date playground would be such a benefit to our children and for those in surrounding areas. There is a huge need and huge support!
Needed for our children after 2 years of disruption.
Upgrade of the play equipment is long overdue
My children have grown up in the village but we have often travelled to Hartfield to use the playground because Groombridge facilities were outdated and dangerous. All the kids in the village will really benefit from a new, safe playground. I am definitely supportive of a loan that will facilitate these changes.
Brilliant for the children of Groombridge

This has been a very long time coming.... The playground is a hub for children and parents and much needed
Should have been done years ago! My wife already supported through Parish Council.
I wholeheartedly support everything to do with the new playground. It is very much needed!
The village:community is in desperate need of a playground and it will really add value to the village
The work is much needed and will be valued within the village. The current offering is disappointing and not fit for purpose
It is certainly in need of upgrading not much has been done since I was a kid and I'm 33 now
We need to provide this facility for future generations in order to maintain and support young families living in the village
Need to do this to support family life in the village
Great idea!
Sooner the better
The playground is in desperate need of updating. My grandchildren would love it.
The village is crying out for this, would be great for the children to have such a wonderful playground i fully support this.
It is needed!
The new playground would be a definite asset.
This new playground will be an enormous asset to the village which will be enjoyed by many children who not only live here but also visiting Groombridge.
It would be even better if WPC covered 100% of the cost which would require only a small increase in the precept.
I believe it is very important to keep children occupied within an exciting and safe area. It also build happy memories and community action.
It would obviously be a valuable facility for families with young kids!!
The updated playground will be extensively used by the community
The playground will be a much needed project to support the community and children of the village
This is a very exciting and much needed project that as a parent of three young children I am very keen to support as much as possible
The playground is well used but is very tired and in need of investment so that it doesn't become dangerous.
My own children enjoyed the playarea in safety as did my grandchildren.a boon to grandparents
A new playground for young children is very much needed in Groombridge
The playground will meet the needs of a wide range of children and be an asset to the community.
This is an excellent & much needed project to improve village facilities for our children
Sounds a lovely project to me
I support this loan applications
This playground will completely revitalise the community and offerings for young families around the area. A much needed project.
Let's invest in our children, can't think of a better way to spend money ðŹŒ^
Playgrounds are essential in a community
The children need this
For the community

The village needs somewhere for the children to play. There is no green area at the school so this is really important
Children needs lots of outside playing opportunities
This would be a great addition to the area!
The playground really needs updating. My grandchildren told me so!
This is such a valuable assets for the young community. It would be great to see it restored.
My grandson would love this playground to be updated for when he comes to visit.
Can't wait to see the new playground
A new playground in the village would be beneficial for giving small children a safe place to play free from bigger kids and dogs. The old playground is pretty crude the seesaw should be in a museum.
This will be a massive boost for the community and the area as a whole. I wholeheartedly support it.
This will make so much difference to so many children lives. This is a much needed playground as ours is not really fit for purpose.
Please make this happen! So needed
This is vey needed!
The children have needed this for a long time for play and to make friendships very important
I think the new playground should be enclosed for the safety of the younger children especially as older children often play football on the rec. There should also be seating areas for parents/guardians and those with babies who may want to feed them.
It is important to have a playground for children..a good place for people to meet and encourage outdoor play
Looking forward to taking my Grandchildren to this great looking playground
So excited for this project the village is desperate for a new play space for children
I feel it is very important for young children and their parents to have access to a safe playground, this not only supports children's development and is also a very social environment for parents building long term bond way into their future.
Very important that young children have activities that both stimulate them physically and mentally to enable their healthy growth. Whilst some individuals might look at this as just a fun activity they are not seeing the bigger picture as this is how healthy children have developed over the years. For a lot of children this physical activity/play is the best they will get - parents at work, school activities reducing, lack of safe play areas. My experience with education welfare has shown me that there is often a clear divide between those children who have this opportunity to learn/express their physical energy/explore their surroundings in a constructive way and how they develop. The cost is minimal in relation to the long term benefits for children. This is without the benefit to those parents who may not have have the opportunity for positive interaction with other adults until the children play together - parents will then talk and friendships develop. From my own experience, I am still friends after 35 yrs with people I met through school/play areas. It is probably the most positive of interactions that certainly has served the test of time. This project needs the backing required from the local council. When looking at the longer term picture there could be an opportunity also for teenagers to become wardens for the site and have a personal connection which gives them some responsibility which they can use on their CV.

This is a much needed facility for the children and families of all the villages within the parish and the wider community
Good for the children of Groombridge and the wider community.
Looking forward to having a new playground for the kids to enjoy.
New playground desperately required
Kids need new facilities
Ideal place to take my grandchildren but badly in need of updating.
Lots of children in Groombridge. Playgrounds great for socialising for children and parents grandparents and carers.
This is much needed in the village
The current equipment is old and worn out . Safety for children has to be a priority and a pleasure . Give the kids a new playground
I feel this is long overdue. It was needed when my children were small - they're now 18 and 20!
The old one is out dated, now difficult and costly to maintain, need a fresh start
Excellent for the younger generation
Much needed
And about time - the playground has been a disgrace for too long.
Fantastic just what the village need
This is a much needed facility in groombridge
I'd like to withdraw my support for this scheme - the suggestion that there is £4800 p.a. available from the precept without any future recourse to council tax payers and with no impact on other projects is unrealistic.
It would be lovely for my child to have somewhere to play locally. The playground needs updating
Absolutely essential, I support this wholeheartedly
This is a necessity for the children of the village.
fully support this proposal
When will it start?
I'd love to have a new playground for the children.
The village very much needs an updated playground for our young people.
A new playground is long overdue and would be a great central asset to the village!
A great community project. Kids and families will love it!
Response from Neighbour Pauline
Response on behalf of neighbour Enid 7 wallis field
Response on behalf or Neighbour Tamkin Wallis field
Response on behalf or neighbour 1 wallis field Pauline
response on behalf of Neighbour School House
Response on behalf or neighbour 2 wallis field
Response on behalf of neighbour 6 wallis field
Response on behalf of neighbour 2 wallis field
The village desperately needs it!
We have grandchildren in Groombridge and Rusthall. The current facilities are very unsuitable. The new plans would be very welcome.
For the children
A vital resource for local children
An updated and safe play area is a key facility for our community

This needs to happen! What a wonderful and much needed boost for families in and around Groombridge!
Great idea. Fully support it
New playground needed for local children
The existing playground is not fit for purpose. A new playground is long overdue and will be an essential 'hub' for families in the village.
My children are too old for this: we had to get in the car and go to Rusthall for a decent playground when they needed a fun, safe play area. As a family with autism, it would have helped with friendships if there had been a decent playground in Groombridge.
We desperately need a new playground current equipment out dated & not really safe. This area is used by many parents with visitors to the steam train and Groombridge place plus children from surrounding villages We have lived here over 30yrs and there has been no upgrades in that time , so sad as would like to take our grandchildren to a safe local playground
A safe playground to suit all age ranges with a variety of equipment which provides fun and stimulates balance and confidence is badly needed in the village. It's a great village but sadly lacks this facility for young children.
Having just moved back into the village after an absence of 20 years, somewhat surprised to see the majority of the same climbing frames etc still in place. Well over due an update, health and safety above all is paramount.
The current play area is well overdue an update. We are now in 21st century! ☹️,
The playground is loved by the so many in the village, a very important asset for the young kids (& their parents).
My husband is on the Parish Council, and we fully support your project even though we do not have small children.
The new playground will greatly benefit the village
This would be fantastic. I'm a mum with a toddler and this would really help to get out of the house and meet other parents.
Lets get on with it!!
Essential I think for our children.
The playground is an essential part of the community and its' upgrade is so important. I really hope this goes ahead so all the children nearby can benefit from it.
Great
Id like to see an enjoyable and challenging activity space for the children
How is the loan repaid?
This is a 'must' for a village the size of Groombridge.
My daughter has grown up in Groombridge and we were daily users of the playground. Without it, our lives would have been very different & it was a lifeline as a single mum. I met my (now) best friend at the playground 14 years ago - proving it to be an invaluable space for grownups AND children!
Playground is a meeting point for families and young children, such an important part of their life experience
This is an excellent project, long needed. Care has been taken to design a space to suit all ages of children, to be attractive, fun and safe. I don't live in Groombridge, but have links with the village, and would happily bring my grandchildren to play in the new playground. Groombridge's community spirit is to be admired, and the playground will be a suitable addition to its offer.
Withyham Parish Council has worked hard to achieve this project and I wholeheartedly support it.

The village is desperate for a children's playground in the village and many many people will benefit from this. I hope the funding can come quickly and work can commence soon.
This is well needed by the community especially as the very young people have already had opportunities so limited by lockdowns. They need spaces to meet and make-up for lost time to build their social skills
Very excited for the new playground
We travel to use the playground at Langton currently and would much prefer to use Groombridge. Would buy snacks, coffees etc from the shops if we used the park.
Groombridge already has a playground so I don't know why it needs another one.
A new playground is very much needed
Would be a great place for young families in groombridge to meet.
This is desperately needed for the children of the parish and surrounding areas more so after the last few years.
Eridge children go to Groombridge school so a playground would be very much appreciated
Both my children go to school in Groombridge and would use this playground alot.
Lived & brought up 3children in Withyham for 25yrs. Updated playground would now help grandchildren!
My daughters would both use this facility
Groombridge and surrounding area would really benefit from a dent playground as so many families live in the area.
The current playground is nowhere near fit for purpose so this is essential
Would be brilliant for all the children!
Children have suffered dreadfully during the pandemic and improved facilities for them to come together and play is an important part of safeguarding their mental health.
Environmentally friendly materials used where possible a limit damage to any existing trees.
This is a very much needed project for the children of Groombridge and surrounding areas to be able to have a safe and usable play area is important for the community
Live in Eridge but regularly use the playground as have five grandchildren who come to visit.
The playground would be really valuable addition to the community,
Playground upgrade is desperately needed. Existing equipment I used to play on 40 years ago! Children & grandchildren of the village deserve better.
A playground is an essential part of village life for children and parents.
We reside in Eridge but our children go to school in Groombridge. It would be wonderful to finally have a playground fit for purpose for our children to enjoy.
Current equipment old and in a poor condition.
Reason for voting ,we use the playground when visiting our Granddaughters and know the village needs improved facilities for families
Wonderful idea
Groombridge has been desperately needing an up to date playground for years! This would be incredible!
We used the playground a lot as family grew up in Groombridge. Much needed.
Such a lovely village ðŸŒŸ'
We must do this for the children.
I brought up 3 children in Groombridge, I now have 2 grandchildren who would benefit from a lovely new safe play area
Brilliant idea

Great idea
Having this playground is an ideal source of enrichment for the children of the parish.
Child at school in Groombridge and community would greatly benefit from this for the children after school. We would be more inclined to stay in village after school for children to play.
What a wonderful plan after the few years the children have had!
I live in Eridge, just 5 minutes away from Groombridge. I have a 17 month old son and would love to have a local playground suitable for him to play in. It's such a shame we have to go elsewhere to find appropriate facilities, it would be a real asset to the local area.
The current playground is totally unsuitable for the children to play in, I wholeheartedly support this proposal to enrich the youngsters in the community.
Grew up in the village
It's really, really important to have great leisure spaces for kids (& families). The young have suffered so much through not having a normal start to life...play and socialising are critical to their development.
Current playground is dangerous and needs urgent upgrade
Fantastic idea
This is great for the area. I work for a local primary school and we do a topic about tree sport and like to get the bus to groombridge with a trip to the park at the end before going back to school on the bus. So an exciting new park would be very welcome.
My grandchildren live in Groombridge and the playground is a very important amenity for them
The park desperately needs upgrading to make it enjoyable for the new generations.
We would use the playground regularly as my children are at school in Groombridge
Improvements to this playground would be a great asset to the village.
We live in Eridge green and use the facilities of Groombridge often - a new playground would be amazing.
This will be amazing for all families to enjoy
Our daughter and her friends will spend lots of time in the new playground.
We lived in Groombridge until last year. My daughter would have loved to have a new playground and the children of the village really deserve it - especially after every m thing they've been through over the last 2 years.
We often come from Speldhurst to groombridge and would certainly stay longer if the park facilities were improved . With children having been so restricted over the last couple of years it would be nice to get them back outside playing
Current playground is,old, outdated and barely useable
This is long overdue for a village of Groombridge's size and use.
This area is very important in the life of the village for the children parents and families. It's very important that the village keeps all its facilities.
Anything that encourages children to be active must be a good thing, surely?
I live in Tunbridge Wells, but the more safe facilities for children the better. Good luck with this.
I live in Eridge and would visit the playground with my grandchildren.
We are just outside the parish's but share the need to have a specially dedicated, safe place for children to play and exercise and for young mothers to meet
The children of Groombridge deserve better play facilities.
We are a five minute drive from Groombridge and always appreciate good quality and interesting play areas to visit.

My kids always ask to play on the current playground. It's perfect near the station and bakery which we love to visit on weekends

The playground would be a huge asset for all those living in and near the Groombridge community. It would be a wonderful addition to the area.

My family live in Langton Green and visit Groombridge regularly, we'd love to use this new playground and the local shop more.

Am in Langton and use the facilities in Groombridge a lot and would definitely welcome new playground facilities

Groombridge has such a good community - this playground would be a special project in honour of our Queen. I fully support it.

Use the playground regularly with my grandchildren. It is desperately in need of improvement.