

ABINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

Report to	Environment, Amenities and Infrastructure committee
Meeting date	17th November 2025
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Cemetery & Outdoor Services Managers Report – Play Area Improvements Update

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To update members on the progress of play area improvements.

2. Summary

2.1 Following a resolution at the September meeting of this committee, orders have been placed for play area improvements.

3. Action required and recommendations

3.1 Members are requested to note the report.

4. Link to strategic plan and objectives

4.1 Play area improvements support the town council's four key objectives.

5. Background

5.1 At the September meeting of this committee it was resolved to undertake play area improvements at Chilton Close, Elizabeth Avenue and Chaunterell Way.

6. Key information and options

6.1 Chaunterell Way – new goalposts have been delivered to the outdoor services depot and will be installed by the team in the coming weeks.

6.2 Elizabeth Avenue – the order for a new toddler play area has been placed, equipment is in manufacture and we are awaiting a start date from the contractor.

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6.3 Chilton Close – replacement equipment for removed/unserviceable items has been ordered. The order for the installation of the Ninja fitness trail has been placed with a start date of early December.

7. **Climate change/green implications**

7.1 Outdoor play encourages interaction with the natural environment.

7.2 Equipment is sourced from environmentally responsible manufacturers and where possible made from sustainable materials.

8. **Financial/budget implications**

8.1 This report has no financial/budget implications.

9. **HR implications**

9.1 No additional HR implications from this report.

10. **Supporting papers and appendices**

None.