



Kings Worthy Parish Council

Eversley Park play area tender –

Further clarificatory questions/queries

Questions/queries and their corresponding answers will be added as in order of receipt.

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Question 1 – Have you got a material preference?

Answer: The Parish Council does not have a preference for any particular material but ask that tenderers take into account both maintenance and management considerations when recommending a material. Particularly, as the park is very well used due to both the adjacent primary school and its location within a recreation ground.

The Parish Council will also be giving consideration to the sustainability of the materials used, including but not limited to sourcing, manufacturing and transportation.

Question 2 – Are you arranging site visits with the play companies?

Answer: As stated in the tender document, tenderers are advised to visit the location and this can be accompanied by representatives of the Parish Council at request.

Query 1 – Standalone surfacing company asked if the Council wish to consider their surfacing as an option, or to be included in an amended specification.

Answer: The Parish Council are tendering for the renewal of equipment at our play area at Eversley Park. The surfacing specification will form part of this tender and the Parish Council do not wish to pre-select any particular type of surfacing for this tender. The surfacing solutions will be based on what has been recommended by tenderers.

Question 3 – Do you have a preference for the surfacing colour?

Answer: The current surfacing is a mix of coloured and black surfacing (both rubber mulch, wet pour and grass mat). We do not have a requirement for any particular colour(s) and this design decision is up to the tenderer.

Question 4,5 & 6 – Can the new surfacing be laid on top of the existing? Do we require edging for the surfacing? Can grass matting be used on some of the equipment?

Answer: The suitability of the surfacing type, edging and fitment is up to the tenderer to advise in-line with the requirements of the tender document including maintenance.

Question 7 – What is the required mix of equipment for different age groups including toddler?

Answer: The play area is currently a mix of equipment for different age groups, and we are not specifying any additional equipment for any particular age group.

Question 7 – What is the maximum height permitted for the park?

Answer: The Parish Council does not have any maximum height limit but ask that consideration is given to the impact on surrounding properties, particularly in relation to overlooking and visual impact. Tenderers must also ensure that the equipment, and related surfacing, meets all relevant safety legislation including BS EN 1176.

Question 8 – Your tendering instructions and list of what the tender must include does not mention anything about case studies or references, yet your tender evaluation assesses tenderers on 'Experience of similar works, case studies provided'

Please can you advise your requirements for this?

Answer: Tenderers must submit up to 3 examples of play area works undertaken of a similar value and/or size, preferably with references. Tenderers can also provide case studies of similar work undertaken. Please note that the Parish Council reserves the right to contact you for additional clarification.

IMPORTANT - Given the timing of this update in relation to the submission deadline, an extension has been granted until 6th January 2023 (4 pm) for the submission of this additional information only.

All other tender documentation must still be submitted by the 23rd December 2022 (5pm).