

Rushton Recreation Ground

Report for RPC Meeting on the 21st May 2025 prepared by Mike Brightman Agenda Item 16/25



1- General

Weekly inspections continue to take place to check the equipment and clearing up litter. With all the recent weather the park has been very busy. The Children from Rushton Primary School visited the park last week and had all had great time.

2- Grass Cutting

The first grass cut of the year has been carried out, we will need to keep on top of this to ensure that the grass doesn't become overgrown creating lots of surplus cutting when it is cut.

The council operatives also commented that the gate into the park is in a poor condition making difficult to open.

3- Maintenance Works

The Annual inspection report details a number of items which need attention.

The grass matting around a number of landing areas needs replacing.

Two of the benches need new slats

The three picnic benches need to be secured to the ground to stop them been moved into the falling area of the equipment.

Two of the benches stand directly onto the ground, this in its itself has created a problem with the benches sinking into the ground twisting and distorting them. Paving slabs have now been installed under each of the legs to provide a solid base for the benches in the grassed area. When we have some volunteers available, the benches will be chained and fixed into position.

The report comments on the painting of the equipment which we are aware of , but the alternative is that we look for volunteers or the RPC covers the cost of getting this work done by a contractor.

Note the double gate into the recreation ground needs urgent repair or replacement.

4- Moles

In the last report of the 19th March there had been some new mole activity, Currently there has been not further activity.

5-Dogs

There have been incidents over the last month of inconsiderate dog owners not cleaning up after their dogs.