

## **WEST MERSEA PARK – SCHOOL GARDENS**

- Wooden climbing frame is 20 years old and needs updating due to wood rot.
- Wooden twin swing frame is 20 years old and needs updating due to wood rot [possibly replace it with the basket swing from the Youth Field].  
Swing seats require changing.
- Seesaw main pivot is worn. Contractor due May 2023.  
[Head Groundsman had concerns about this equipment since installation].
- Ladybird, adjustment required. [Awaiting contractors' advice].
- Large roundabout. Needs to be disassembled and runners cleaned.
- North/South path replacement. Two quotes received; a third quote required.

## **WEST MERSEA PARK – YOUTH FIELD**

- Skatepark requires attention. 3x corners eroded and 2x grind rails loose. Surface pitted and cracking in places. [Ongoing problem for 6+ years].
- Sling Rotator. Replace seat, and all chains and fittings. Update all 16 fixing bolts [to be replaced every 12 months].
- Zip Wire. Recommend new wire and all parts, trolley, chain and seat in 2024 [add to budget].
- Basket swing to be moved as it's situated too close to the hedge [which has a TPO].
- Drainage system to be installed at the southern end of the field. Quotes to be obtained.

## **GLEBE 2 – BIKE HUMPS**

- This area requires new fencing and gate [fence rotting and nails sticking out – unsafe boundary].
- The work to the humps needs to be completed to a safe standard [back to original humps].
- All rubble to be removed.
- Spoil pile to be removed.

## **GLEBE 2 – WELLHOUSE PARK**

- Safety surface requires replacing [15+ years old]. Surface shrinkage in places, compacted and not to current safety standards [ongoing problem for 6+ years].
- 2x gates require alterations.
- Twin Swing and Climbing Frame. Require new chains and fixings.
- Twin Swing frame to be repainted.
- Path needs replacing [ongoing problem for 6+ years].
- The park requires a total overhaul.

The play equipment is examined by qualified Park Inspectors on a weekly basis [Groundstaff], a quarterly basis [Colchester City Council] and annually by RoSPA.

The park equipment requires regular maintenance, and this can be quarterly, six monthly or annually [depends on the item of equipment].