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**19 September 2016**

Dear Chris,

### **Request for Information: Playgrounds**

I write in response to your request for information set out in your email received on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2016. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You have asked for the following information relating to playgrounds:

### **Response**

A 2012 Cabinet report is attached to the response email – it was circulated to all parishes at the time. Most of the information you have requested is contained within the report, especially regarding the planned refurbishment and associated closures. The programme has been revised (in terms of timings) in line with available resources and work is ongoing.

The only play area which has been adopted by a Parish (over and above the existing ones which Parishes were already managing and maintaining) was St Catherine's Close in East Hanningfield. This was proposed to be closed in accordance with the 2012 Equipped Play Development Plan but the Parish Council asked to adopt it.

In terms of the budget, the maintenance and management budget is on the Council's website at: <http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/budgets>.

### **Right to Internal Review**

If you are dissatisfied with this response or with the way your request has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act, you have the right to ask for your request to be independently reviewed by the Director of Corporate Services. You should set out your representations in writing explaining why you are dissatisfied with this response or the way your request has been handled and send to [IR@chelmsford.gov.uk](mailto:IR@chelmsford.gov.uk). The review will be conducted in accordance with the Council's internal review procedure which is published on its website at <http://www.chelmsford.gov.uk/node/33297>. You will be notified of the outcome of the review as soon as possible and in any event within 20 working days from receipt of your representations.



## **CORPORATE SERVICES**

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### **Appeal**

If you should still remain dissatisfied following the outcome of the review, you may apply to the Information Commissioner for a decision by writing to:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF  
Tel: 0303 1231113 or 01625 545745

Yours sincerely,



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