

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 February 2018 08:03
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Sport Waterlow Petanque

That would be excellent. The earlier time the better for me.

[REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

On 16 Feb 2018, at 16:31, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear [REDACTED], and all,

I wondered if you would like to meet next Friday (23/2) as I will be at Waterlow Park then. I could meet you anytime between 10am-12.30

Although I have heard mention of this project I'm not sure what has been worked up in terms of a project plan etc.?

When we are making changes to our parks we do have to engage widely about our plans, and I was wondering whether we have done that yet with Park Friends group members, park users and local residents?

We share the Friends group's aim to get more people participating in a wider range of sports at Waterlow Park, but I am also aware that changes to our parks can be viewed differently by different user groups.

Do you have any drawings, specification or plans of what you'd like to achieve?

If the above time is not convenient I'm happy to arrange another and/or speak by phone.

Yours [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 February 2018 16:17
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Sport Waterlow Petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for your email.

In terms of my role, I support community organisations with their sport development, in terms of getting more participants taking part, marketing, fundraising etc. Therefore my meeting with you would be in that remit – looking at how you can make best use of the pitch once it has been built.

In terms of structurally installing the pitch, permissions, the requirements etc. this sits with the Green Spaces team, they will get back to you shortly regarding this.

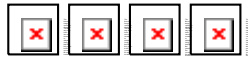
Thanks,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Community Sport and Physical Activity Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 12 February 2018 15:46

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Sport Waterlow Petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

please excuse my frustration but it's over 3 years since I put forward my suggestion for petanque pitch. The committee thinks that the cost is not too bad and so it's only the site meeting to clarify what is required that needs to happen. After looking at the place I will be asking what use can be made of the beautiful turf and about 8 inches of topsoil and can the Camden staff do this with their tools. After that I expect to be able to mobilise voluntary labour from the membership.

Can we meet soon please.

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 February 2018 13:33
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: developing a petanque site at Waterlow Park

Hi [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Below is the latest correspondence I have in my inbox. And:

In general,

Happy to support as long as have a budget for maintenance or volunteers who have capacity to maintain regularly throughout whole year and not just the summer and that commitment is evidenced. There should be a contingency plan in place in case the group cannot manage it.

Design

We very much should ensure we have the best materials used that are designed to have a minimum life span rather than reused materials

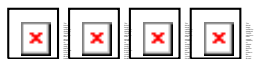
I am sure we could ask idverde to quote for the works but we would need a more detailed specification to quote to.

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]
Grounds Maintenance Monitoring Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 August 2016 12:38
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: developiing a petanque site at Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

I am not sure who this falls to but I am trying to move forward the petanque idea . We know we need to cover all the costs and have begun to itemise the work as the email below shows. We have told [REDACTED] the proposer, that we do not assume the *excavation and tools would be supplied by Park Estates* or if they were the costs of this would need to be borne by the petanque project . FoWP would like to know therefore

- If you are happy for the petanque plan to go ahead
- Whether the excavation could be undertaken by the garden team as extra work and if so how much it would cost

- What would be the maintenance implications.

I would be grateful for your input on this as until we know some of these points we cannot go forward

Best wishes

[REDACTED]

CO-chair FoWP

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Wednesday, August 3, 2016 8:28 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: : petanque

I have done some costing. The site needs to be cleared of turf. The overall size is 4metres by 15 metres. Topsoil to a depth of 100 mm needs to be excavated and a few drainage pipes laid. 2 bags (0.6 cu. m) of scalpings need to be bought, laid, raked and impacted. 1 bag pea shingle and 1 bag fine grit. That's 4 bags at £39.50 each; reach one raked and impacted. There would be no charge for delivery and they'd bring an impactor with them as well as 16 scaffold planks for the edging, each costing £14.

I assume the lorry would deliver to the bandstand site and taken from there to the pitch. The hire of the impactor would be about £45 per day. A few drainage pipes would not be expensive and so the whole thing would cost less than £500 assuming that the excavation and tools would be supplied by Park Estates.

I cannot be at the meeting but please indicate that my commitment is long term and I would be able to supervise the construction if needed, provide the game equipment, and teach the game.

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: : petanque

Date: Mon, 3 Aug 2015 17:02:37 +0100

[REDACTED]

All the committee have now responded on your proposal with the exception of [REDACTED] who is not a great email user. Even so I thought I should send you a summary of their points. I think we are going to have to consider these quite carefully and try and take it forward. There is nothing in principal against the idea just lots of practical concerns and suggestions of alternate locations. Let's talk soon

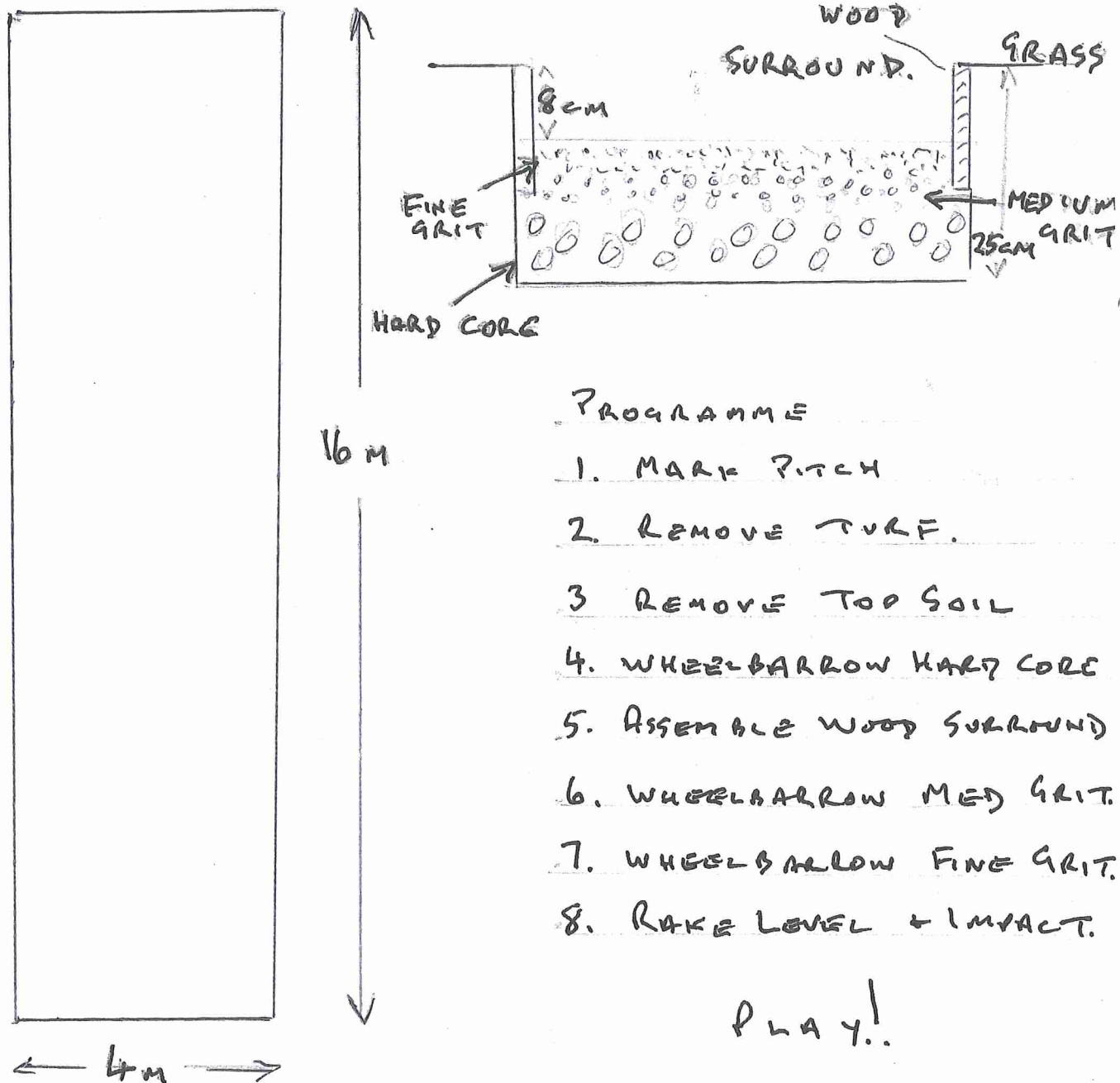
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Waterlow Park.

Petanque Pitch Proposal.



9. WEEKLY REMOVAL OF LEAVES, PAPER ETC

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 March 2018 09:24
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: Petanque in Waterlow Park
Attachments: Petanque mock up.jpg; petanque site plan.JPG; Petanque plan.pdf

For some time we have thought that we would like to be able to play Petanque (Boules) in Waterlow Park. There is limited flat space in The Park and much of that gets boggy. After lots of consideration we have decided that the best place to put a decent standard, reasonably sized pitch, is on the narrow strip of grass just below the tennis courts. Subject to Health and Safety checks, Camden seem willing to go ahead but they would like positive confirmation that a Petanque Pitch is wanted and that there won't be great objections.

I have tried to draw a plan, roughly to scale, and done my best at a mock up. I have attached both along with the plan, cross section and method. We would be very grateful if you could look at these and let us know what you think.

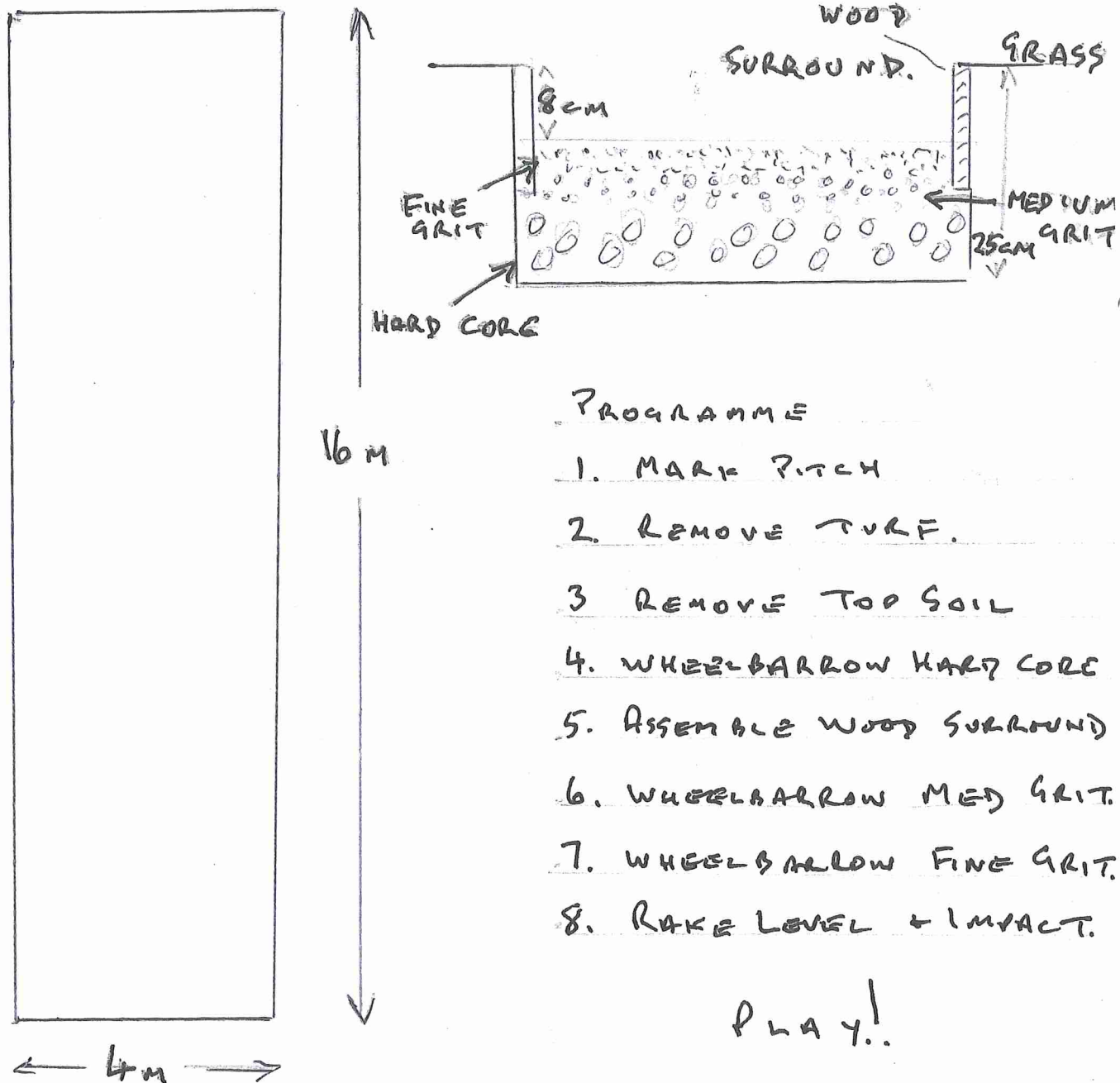
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[REDACTED]
(Friends of Waterlow Park)



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Petanque Pitch Proposal.



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site map of
petanque pitch

to Swains Lane
entrance

path

Lower
tennis court

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Petanque tree

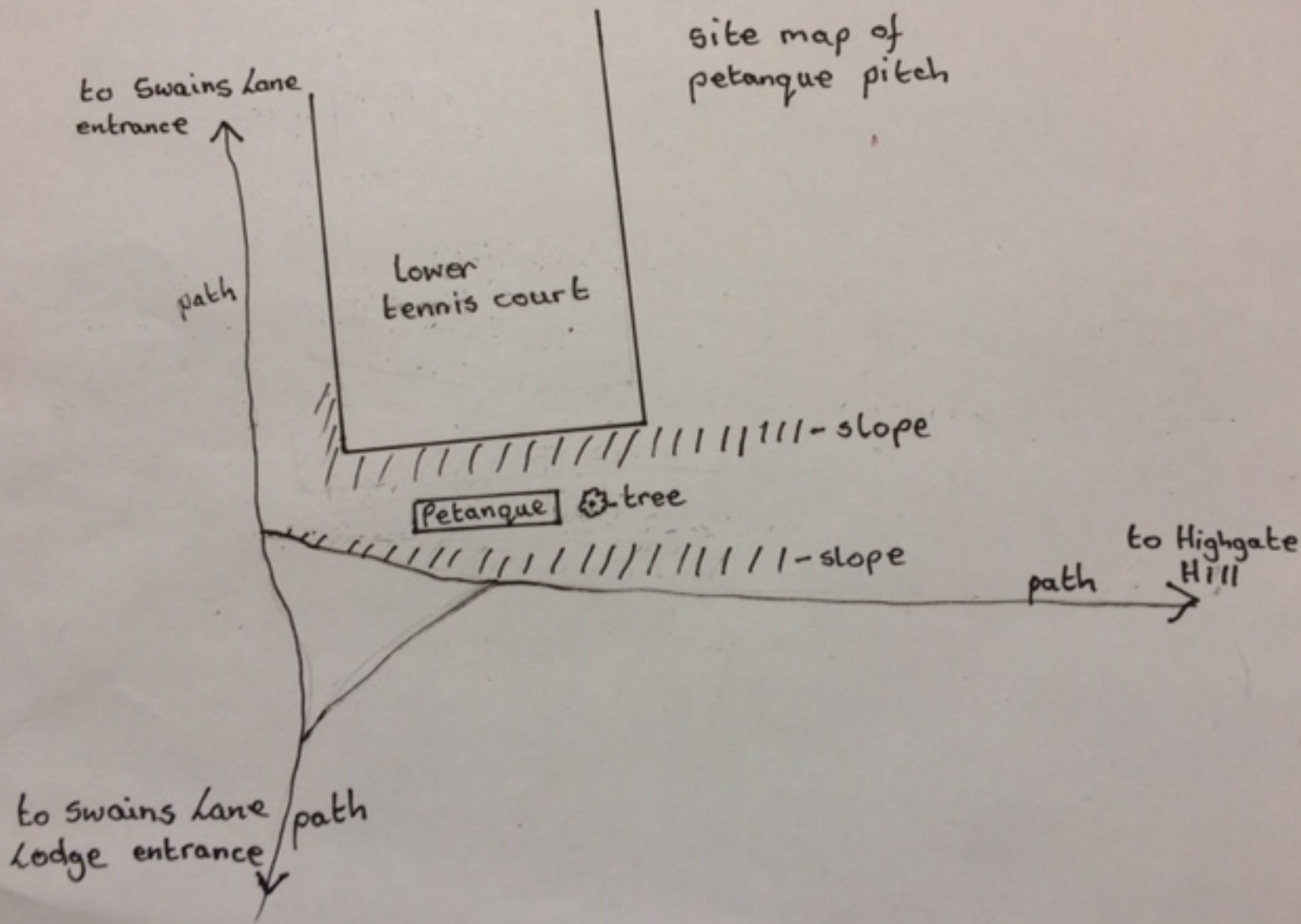
||||| - slope

to Highgate
Hill

path

to Swains Lane
Lodge entrance

path



Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 March 2018 22:08
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Welcome back to the office ;-)

I have just sent out the consultation and have overwhelmingly positive supportive responses. Of 42 responses, only 1 was against. 34 were extraordinarily enthusiastic, I can give you quotes if you want, and the other 7 were broadly supportive but wanted to be sure it was free and open to everyone. One or two questioned the site.

that in just 12 to 24 hours (I had to send it out in two tranches)

best

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 March 2018 12:03:07
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Automatic reply: Petanque in Waterlow Park

I am next in the office on the 13 March 2018. Please contact our Parks Rangers on 020 7974 4444, xxxxx@xxxxxx.xxx.xx for anything urgent. Thank you.

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 March 2018 17:35
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Waterlow Park. Petanque
Attachments: 20180305113053500.pdf



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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 March 2018 13:18
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque consultation response

Dear [REDACTED]

I sent out e-mails to 600 people. 40 people responded by e-mail (which is apparently a very good response rate) of whom only two were against, both on the grounds that it used up part of a small park to the detriment of other users. Overwhelmingly the response was very positive. Some people expressed concerns about maintenance, I responded saying that the Friends would make sure it was maintained. There were concerns about balls going astray, but I pointed out that there would be a lip around the pitch, and some people felt there might be too many people. I replied to that sort of worry by saying that Camden H&S would be looking into those aspects. People wanted to be assured it would be free and open access. I was able to reassure them on those points.

In addition I think we can assume all the FoWP committee are for the project, as we have put it forward and there has been no objection at any committee meetings. That is another 9 people none of whom responded to the mail out! As well as that there another 5-10 people who didn't respond but when I bumped into them and asked, agreed it was a good idea and had no objection.

How are you getting on with Camden officials? We have had such support for the idea, I hope that, if they have problems, we can think it through to make it work.

[REDACTED]

Plus, as you yourself saw, if you randomly ask people in the park, they are very enthusiastic.



Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 01 August 2018 11:52
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park
Attachments: Petanque court area.pdf

Hi [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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Sent: 28 July 2018 10:41
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

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Sent: Wednesday, July 25, 2018 2:37:50 PM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Apologies. 9am as [REDACTED] had previously requested.

Kind regards

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 25 July 2018 13:00

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Fine,

On 25 Jul 2018, at 11:59, [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi

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I think better to have everyone together. Wednesday 1st August is free for me. Say 10am?

Is that alright with you [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 25 July 2018 11:54

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

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Apologies for changing.

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Sent: 25 July 2018 10:01
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

See you there, [REDACTED]

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See you at 10.00 by the Lauderdale House sundial on Friday

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 July 2018 08:34:16
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Thanks [REDACTED]

What is your availability [REDACTED] Can you make 10am on Friday?

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 July 2018 17:11
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Sounds perfect. What time? 9.00 ? 10.00?

[REDACTED]

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Thanks

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

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From: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent: 19 July 2018 17:06

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Thank you very much for getting me in the loop.
Would it be possible for us to meet up next week?
At the moment, I'm free on Monday afternoon,
Wednesday, Thursday afternoon and Friday.

Look forward to seeing you

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 19 July 2018 08:36

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Hello [REDACTED]

I had left [REDACTED] out of the email accidentally.
[REDACTED] – Please see the below email for reference.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 July 2018 14:03
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Hi [REDACTED]

I have recently spoken to [REDACTED] about the proposed Petanque area at Waterlow Park. I am from the Green Space projects team at Camden and have been asked to offer support in getting the project off the ground.

It sounds like you have already done a good amount of work gaining support and looking into possible approaches to delivering the work. I have been up to the court earlier today to look at the proposed area.

I have a few questions for you, so would welcome either a phone call or a site meeting at time that is convenient for you.

Let me know what works best.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer
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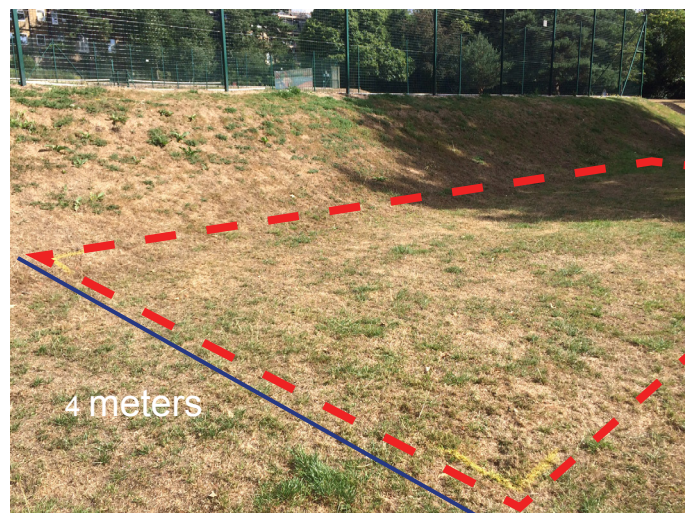
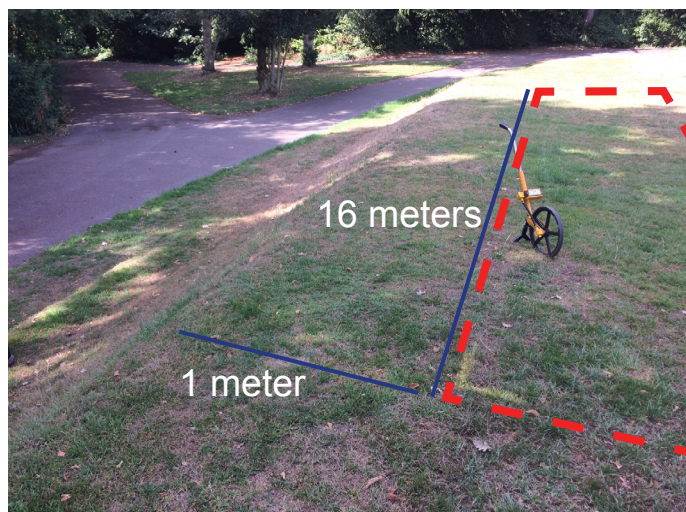
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Petanque at Waterlow Park - marking out survey



Not enough space to safely accommodate the pitch on the terrace at 4 meters wide

Bank is too close and would not allow people to pass safely if a game was being played, especially if the match had spectators

Only 1 game at a time so can only be used by small groups

Petanque at Waterlow Park - marking out survey



Safe access around the pitch for pedestrians, wheelchairs, dog walkers

Allows more than one petanque game at a time so that the space is not exclusive

Natural setting for active use in the park with tennis courts and surveillance from the park keepers hut

More favourable social space which is more conducive with the game of petanque

Better for spectators and can allow groups to stand safely whilst not being on the court

Will promote the use of the area and get more people involved in the game of petanque

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 August 2018 12:48
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park
Attachments: Petanque court surveys.pdf

Dear [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

I visited the site yesterday with [REDACTED] to measure the court and discuss implementation. Upon marking the dimensions accurately it became obvious that the area we had initially discussed is inappropriate for the petanque pitch. I attach a document that makes the findings more explicit. If the pitch is to be 4 meters wide which is the minimum width for a single pitch, it would sit into the base of the grass bank at the back of the tennis court. This would also leave a maximum of 1 meter between edge of the pitch and the steep bank, which does not allow enough room to pass freely or safely, especially if the court becomes crowded. Because of this we do not support the petanque court in that location. That said, we absolutely support the idea and think that this project should be pursued in an appropriate area that is safe and encourages participation from a wider group.

I have included an image showing the area that we think is the best location for the petanque pitch, shown on page 2 of the attached. We have considered the current use of this area and think that the petanque pitch would make a very positive contribution to the parks facilities and activities, without creating a conflict with any current park users. It would complement the tennis courts and would allow spectators to watch, something that the other site would not allow comfortably.

You made it very clear that the consultation you carried out was for the smaller area and I don't want to give the impression that I am overlooking the work you have already carried out. This is obviously a gear change from what we had previously discussed, but this is the right approach given the limitations of the initial location. You hinted that there may be some resistance to positioning the pitch on the lower terrace location. Further public engagement would be needed, but Camden would be happy to lead on this and cover any of the additional costs associated with the construction in the new area.

This is great opportunity to create a space and facility that can be used by various ages and abilities free of charge, something that should be embraced. It would not limit other uses from taking place in the area as the upper terrace provides a large open flat area that can still be used for informal activities, exercise, ball games, picnics etc.

This does require further discussion, but proposal is based on a solid justification and I think it is important to get this right the first time round. The yellow spray painted setting outlines are on site currently, so please feel free to visit and assess the dimensions for yourself. I would be happy to meet on site again to explain the rationale and discuss next steps.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 03 August 2018 11:20

To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Thank you very much for this [REDACTED] I really feel we are getting somewhere

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 03 August 2018 09:40:01

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Thanks [REDACTED]

If you could provide a breakdown of the tasks that you think can realistically be completed by volunteers that would be appreciated. Can you also name who the volunteers will be (organisation rather than individuals) so that we can factor this into the proposals.

Providing suitable quotes are submitted, [REDACTED] will be able to lead on the organisation and instruction of the volunteers. He may require additional information for health and safety purposes, but he will be able to advise on that in due course.

I'll wait to hear from you about construction plan and list of tasks with volunteers.

Request was submitted to Planning, although not heard back yet. I will chase them on Tuesday if I don't hear anything by then.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED] [uk](#)>

Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 8:05:14 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]

Lovely photo.

Remembering that we are aiming for a single pitch which will be all weather and suitable for serious petanque as well as the social user. I am happy to teach and can supply equipment.

I attach design and am looking for my construction plan.

[REDACTED]

Please forward to [REDACTED]

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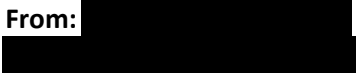
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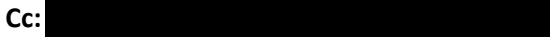
Look forward to seeing you



From: 



Sent: 19 July 2018 08:36

To: 

Cc: 

Subject: RE: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Hello 

I had left  out of the email accidentally.
 – Please see the below email for
reference.

Kind regards


Green Space Project Officer

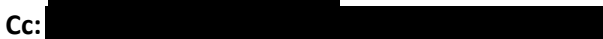
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From: 

Sent: 18 July 2018 14:03

To: 

Cc: 

Subject: Petanque area - Waterlow Park

Hi 

I have recently spoken to [REDACTED] about the proposed Petanque area at Waterlow Park. I am from the Green Space projects team at Camden and have been asked to offer support in getting the project off the ground.

It sounds like you have already done a good amount of work gaining support and looking into possible approaches to delivering the work. I have been up to the court earlier today to look at the proposed area.

I have a few questions for you, so would welcome either a phone call or a site meeting at time that is convenient for you.

Let me know what works best.

Kind regards

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 August 2018 13:44
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque Court

Hi [REDACTED]

Just to follow up on the liability of petanque being played in a public park. Please see the response below:

'I share your views but would also consider the setting to be important. If, say, a decision was made to install this within a play area (given the increased risk of children running and being hit by a ball) then the risk of injury would be higher and may cause more difficulty in trying to defend any claims brought by users of the play area if injury occurs.

By way of a further brief note, should a member of public get injured, I suspect Camden's arguments in response would include:

1. Occupiers Liability Act 1957:
 - a. "...take such care as in all the circumstances of the case is reasonable to see that the visitor will be reasonably safe in using the premises..."
 - b. The test of 'double-reasonableness' is applicable to almost all PL incidents. Whilst cases turn on their individual facts, matters such as having the pitch in a suitable area, notices of the pitch etc. will all be taken into consideration if a claim is intimated.
2. *Bolton and Others v Stone [1951]* would apply:
 - a. Claimant injured when standing on a highway outside her house. Ball hit out of the cricket ground during a match. The ground was fenced.
 - b. It is not enough that there is a remote possibility that injury may occur: the question is - would a reasonable man anticipate it?
 - c. Favourably to Camden in these circumstances, and was a claim to be intimated following a member of public sustaining injury, one can compare the aim in cricket to hit the ball as far as possible in contradiction to that in boules, to throw the ball at a specified target.
3. S.1 Compensation Act [2006]:
 - a. *A court considering a claim in negligence or breach of statutory duty may, in determining whether the defendant should have taken particular steps to meet a standard of care (whether by taking precautions against a risk or otherwise), have regard to whether a requirement to take those steps might—*
 - (a) prevent a desirable activity from being undertaken at all, to a particular extent or in a particular way, or
 - (b) discourage persons from undertaking functions in connection with a desirable activity.

There are many decisions where the Judges have relied upon s.1 Compensation Act [2006] in finding for the Defendant as to find for the Claimant in those circumstances might prevent a desirable activity from being undertaken.'

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 10 August 2018 11:10

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Petanque Court

Hi [REDACTED]

Thank you for the email. I will wait to hear back from yourself and [REDACTED] in due course after the various September committee meetings. I would be very happy to meet in the meantime if further discussion is needed.

I will request a response from Camden Legal regarding the liability as I want to make sure that response is completely accurate.

We would ensure that the pitch is inspected and maintained to a safe standard. The positioning and design of the pitch would also be Camden's responsibility.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 10 August 2018 10:21

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Petanque Court

Dear [REDACTED]

Many thanks for all your work on exploring the possibilities for this initiative. This will be very helpful in the decision making process which we will need to follow. As you will be aware, there is limited flat space in the park and that near the tennis courts is regularly used by young people for football and cricket etc. as they have no where else.

As Waterlow Park is a 'Trust' park any proposals for change need to go via the Friends of Waterlow Park Committee and the Waterlow Park Trustee Advisory Group (TAG). The latter, which I am Chair of, was set up by, and reports directly to, Camden Council (with Camden Council membership). I note that [REDACTED] the Camden appointed rep. has already been copied in to the correspondence but is away on holiday at present.

TAG has its first AGM in October and usage of the park and facilities is something that will be on the agenda. Both TAG and FOWP have committee meetings set for early Sept. It would be good to have a separate, specific 'meeting' on this proposal at some point soon (probably will be September now) with representatives from the various parties concerned. At present, the new Trustee (Camden appointed) has not been named, and we will need to ensure he/she is also on board.

On a related note, do we know the liability situation should someone be accidentally hit by a ball?

Once again, many thanks for your work on this and we will, obviously, explore various locations.

Yours



Chair, Waterlow Park Trustee Advisory Group

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 29 October 2018 14:50
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for this clarification. The information you have provided is both helpful but also important regarding Health & Safety.

The Trust Advisory Group has been happy to support this proposal as long as an appropriate location could be found.

So, do go ahead.

Best wishes,

[REDACTED]
Chair, Waterlow Park Trust Advisory Group

On Tue, Oct 23, 2018 at 3:37 PM [REDACTED] wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

Just following up on this email you sent to [REDACTED]

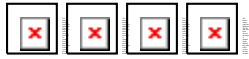
The positioning of the Petanque pitch would be centred in the lower terrace and so there would be no risk of park visitors falling down the sloped bank, beyond what is currently on site ie. the risk will not increase. There would be a minimum of 3 meters gap between the bank and the pitch to allow people to pass safely. LB Camden Legal gave us a formal response about the sport of Petanque being covered under the existing liability within the Camden managed park. It is Camden's responsibility to provide a safe facility in an appropriate location, which this location will accommodate comfortably.

The Friends are keen to have the project agreed. Would you mind confirming that Waterlow Park TAG are happy for the project to progress?

Many thanks

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, 12 October, 16:29

Subject: Re: Petanque in Waterlow Park

To: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Thank you [REDACTED] for attending; especially as you had to make alternate arrangements.

Thank you also, for picking up on this point. As you know, I spoke with [REDACTED] about this early on (when he came to the Park to look at signage) and I was showing him possible alternative sites after it became clear that [REDACTED] original location was not suitable.

Whilst the new site has much more space around and the slopes are different, the same health and safety issue obtain. Have we done a risk assessment? Having been hit by a petanque boule in France once I know that it is dangerous!

Looking at the map it would be extremely unlikely to hit anyone in the area above (as the petanque boule would have to be thrown very high in the air). However, on the south side of the court the situation is potentially more 'dangerous'. Also that footpath is used a lot especially by people pushing prams (as it is a nice, relatively flat bit!!).

Looking at the plan, there is a space between the end of the court and the beginning of the slope down to the footpath. This should mean that it is likely that the boule would hit the grass outside the court (before it got to the slope). and would just roll onto the footpath.

However, we would not want to discourage football and cricket players, nor to discourage people to walk along that bottom path for concerns about being hit by a boule. Likewise, we want to ensure that all is safe, so that, should the highly unlikely happen, we are 'covered'.

Do we have any assessment that will 'cover us'?

On a different note, many thanks for all your support.

Very best wishes,

[REDACTED]

On Fri, Oct 12, 2018 at 2:50 PM [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear all

Well done on the AGM last night.

I wanted to email the TAG group to say, we are ready to take this project forward, [REDACTED] has given a helpful summary of the positive consultation feedback. I attach a remainder of the new location.

[REDACTED] is looking at securing some further funding and will discuss with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] about perhaps a mixed model of delivery – using some professional workforce alongside the volunteers.

However, in the meantime can I ask you to confirm that we are all happy for this project to progress now?

Many thanks and kind regards

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 12 October 2018 11:14

To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Here are the results of the consultation on installing a Petanque Pitch in Waterlow Park

I have attached the design but I cannot find the cost estimate. I suspect that depends on [REDACTED] meeting with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and other interested parties to work out who does what. The more done by volunteers, the lower the cost.

The Friends of Waterlow Park Committee believe the cost for materials is approximately £300 (November 2017 Committee Meeting) which the committee would pay for. The Committee is in a position to spend more if necessary.

The new proposals for the Petanque Pitch were put to The Committee before the consultation. The Committee backed the proposal unanimously (September 2018 committee Meeting)

Results of the Consultation on Petanque September/October 2018

E-mail

An e-mail was sent to over 500 people. We do not know how many people opened it but our open rate on mailchimp, when we use that, is about 45% and the click rate is less than 10%. We had 49 responses (in marketing terms this is an extremely high response rate) of whom only one was against.

The responses included such comments as,

"a lovely addition to the park's facilities"

"Fabulous plan. Really looking forward to playing."

" an excellent use of the space"

Posters

Posters were put up round the park with an invitation to respond through the Friends of Waterlow Park. We had 3 responses, all of which were positive, and equally enthusiastic.

"I think it's a genius idea. The whole family would use it"

Face to Face

I talked to 15 people who were using the flat area above the proposed site and the adjacent rose garden. It was a sunny afternoon after school, so they were mostly families. 2 people, didn't live in the area, were non-committal. The other 13 were all in favour.

General Summary

There was overwhelming support for the proposal. Any concerns revealed in the previous consultation have been allayed. many people said they were looking forward to using the pitch and, indeed, [REDACTED] of Camden, said he had seen pitches been used in other parks.

A couple of people suggested that we put in a few benches for spectators. I think that's an idea for another time but we should be mindful when we actually place the pitch and start digging.

I think we should organise a meeting between [REDACTED] and other interested parties, to work out the logistics and cost as soon as possible.

[REDACTED]

PS please forward this e-mail to anyone else you feel should be 'in the loop'

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 May 2019 08:58
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park Petanque

Dear all

I've reviewed my emails and TAG minutes to find out what has happened. I was not aware that TAG considered this project on hold, there has been community engagement with park users, and I understood the project was well supported by park users and the stakeholder groups.

The proposed location – is the revised location, taking into account health and safety concerns. TAG have been briefed about this and [REDACTED] did extensive work on this.

We did discuss the revised project budget, at the last TAG meeting

FOWP report tabled. Original estimate for petanque court was £800 but IDVERDE price £11,000 - £12000. Awaiting return of lead person.

ACTION: FOWP to get a further quote from petanque association.

[REDACTED] and a representative from the Friends group did some bench marking with other facilities. Some examples from other boroughs were delivered by volunteers constructing the assets themselves. It was also noted that volunteer involvement is key to a successful facility – and keeping maintenance costs down in the future. Out Project team's conclusion was that the current proposal would deliver a high quality pitch that will last a long time. The budget was made up on labour costs, as well as plant hire and materials. The s106 funding was then applied for.

I am sorry that the discussion I reference above wasn't escalated to the Chair of the Friends and Trust Advisory Group for information at the time, before [REDACTED] email below. [REDACTED] has handover the project to [REDACTED] as he is on paternity leave.

Perhaps we could have an agenda item at the next TAG meeting about communication of live projects, and how the stakeholder groups feed upwards to TAG on project progress also.

Saima is fully briefed about the structure and function of TAG, hence the correct protocol of her email, below.

Kind regards [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 02 May 2019 23:04
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Waterlow Park Petanque

I am extremely surprised that this is going ahead in the area identified on the image.

I understood very clearly from a previous discussion many months ago that this site was not deemed ideal for H&S reasons in case the booles/bowls rolled off, or were launched off in the direction of the path immediately below where people walk.

I thought that this was why the project was on hold while a more suitable site was identified. TAG was also informed that the cost of installation and maintenance was well beyond the original estimate, specification and costings.

I must put on record that communication between Camden officers and TAG and other groups has not been satisfactory in this regard.(TAG and other interested parties have not received updates from Camden Council or FOWP

Let me be clear: I am a Camden resident and I vote for my 3 ward councillors. I am on the Dartmouth Park Neighbourhood Forum (DPNF) and as such try to ensure that Camden residents- especially those south of Waterlow park who live in Camden and pay rates here have a voice in the decision making process.

Please clarify as a matter of urgency: the total cost, the maintenance implications, the H&S aspects, the feasibility plan and how this will operate on a day to day basis.

Many thanks
Best [REDACTED]

On 1 May 2019, at 13:21, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear all

I can ask a colleague to confirm the specifics of the funding, but my understanding from memory is that we were successful in applying for some Camden S106 "community facilities" funding. This allocation was specific to the local area and had to be spent on a community facility so was a good fit for the project.

My understanding was that Camden and TAG concerns about this project was that the original proposal was not realistic in its budget and scope. I think [REDACTED] did a great job moving this on with the Friends group. The Friends group did quite a lot of engagement on the project, and we'll do some communication on site about next steps to park users.

I'm sorry if there was a breakdown in communication, but I wasn't aware there was concern about this project , provided the budget and project management was secured?

Saima would be very happy to meet any of you going forward.

Kind regards [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 30 April 2019 22:22

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Waterlow Park Petanque

My understanding of S106 funds as allocated to projects in neighbourhood forum areas is that they are generated by developments taking place within each Councils part of the forum area only, rather than apportioned from a central pot. [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] should be able to confirm this if you want me to check with the HNF?

On 30/04/2019 18:43, [REDACTED] wrote:

Rather confused that if Section 106. Camden funds. Dartmouth Park
Neighbourhood Forum not consulted

Best [REDACTED]

On 30 Apr 2019, at 17:38, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] wrote:

And I know nothing about FoWP funding, other than initial
commitment of about £1000 which was the original estimate

[REDACTED]

On 30 Apr 2019, at 15:50, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] wrote:

FYI. This is a surprise to me. I did not know that having a
petanque had been formally agreed. The last communication I
had was one where the cost was being researched. There was a
considerable rise in the cost from the IdVerde quote -
presumably they have reduced that price.

[REDACTED]

----- Forwarded message -----

From: [REDACTED]

Date: Tue, Apr 30, 2019 at 12:31 PM

Subject: Waterlow Park Petanque

To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

I wanted to inform the Waterlow Trust Advisory Group that work to install a petanque court will begin week commencing 3rd June 2019. The work will take 7-10 days and will be completed by 12th June. Idverde have been appointed to carry out this work and it is to be funded by Section 106 combined with funding raised by the Friends of Waterlow Park. The petanque court is to be located south of the tennis courts, please see attached image.

I will notify local Councillors shortly and site work notices will be displayed at the park two weeks before the work starts.

Please do let me know if you have any questions.

Kind Regards
[REDACTED]

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<Proposed area - Petanque.pdf>

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2019 14:31
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Thanks very much [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2019 14:28
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]

I did give your update to the FOWP meeting last week but it was a bit rushed as fair in the square took priority.

I saw [REDACTED] this morning and went through the reasons for the delay again and I think [REDACTED] is now fully in the picture.

On behalf of the FOWP committee we are fully behind the Pétanque project and look forward to seeing it installed this summer

Many thanks

[REDACTED]
Chair FoWP

On Wed, 19 Jun 2019 at 14:19, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Please see below. The email from [REDACTED] came into our generic "parks" email box and then reached me.

I just wanted to use the below email trail to try and confirm the status of the Petanque project – I am aware of the email exchange you had with [REDACTED] last week. I hope the below confirms what you thought to be the case – 1 court, (that allows 2 games to be played) in the location suggested following [REDACTED] survey work.

[REDACTED] are you able to confirm TAG is happy for the project to progress or would you rather put it out to the TAG committee group email address?

[REDACTED] – likewise could you please confirm the Friends Group position?

I've copied in [REDACTED] who is the project officer for this project.

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2019 14:06
To:

Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]

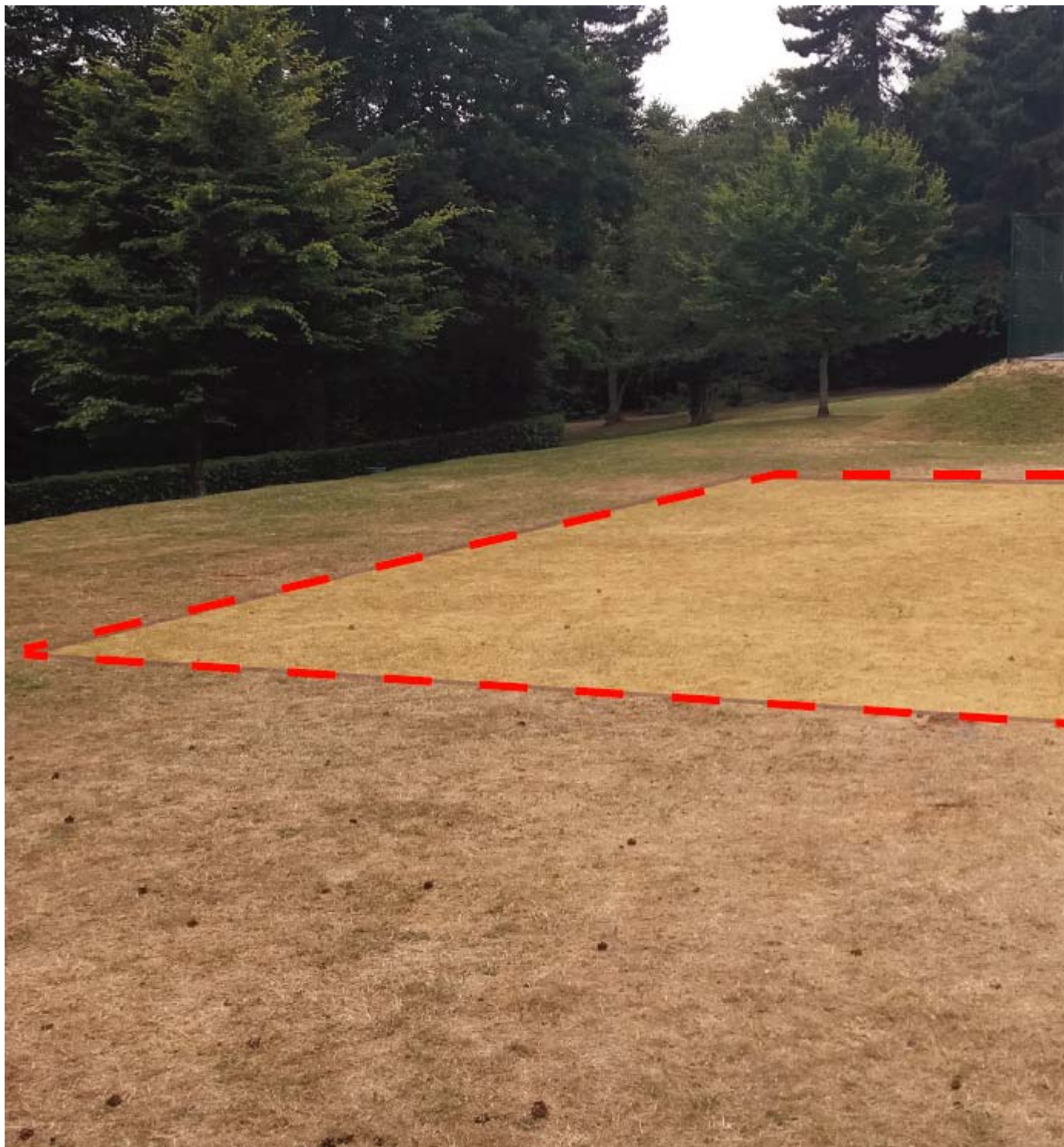
There were some concerns raised at a Trust Advisory Group meeting that I attended, although I think some of this was a misunderstanding about funding sources. We have clarified these issues now. There were then some concerns about whether we were proposing more than one court, which we weren't.

We have confirmed the specification of the court: The court would be 16m x 8m – this will allow two games to be played but it is just one court. The proposed location is below.

I will use this email chain to check with [REDACTED], chair of Trust Advisory Group and [REDACTED] (chair of Friends Group) to confirm what the consensus is now. As this is a community led project we wanted to make sure all the community support was in place before we ask the contractors to take it forward.

I will ask the operations team to give you an idea of timescale for the playground repair.

Kind regards [REDACTED]



From:

Sent: 19 June 2019 10:31

To:



Subject: Petanque in Waterlow Park

I would like someone to contact me to tell what is happening about installing the Petanque at Waterlow Park. I left UK in May with the assurance that it would be installed on June 3rd and be installed ready for the Highgate Festival. I returned last week to find nothing had happened and that there was a 'glitch'. I cannot find out whether the 'glitch' comes from funding, from TAG or what. Please could someone contact me to let me know.

While I'm about it, can anyone tell me what is happening about the 'Wobbly Walk' in the children's playground?

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2019 12:06
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

Thank you for your responses.

We will collate some information and come back to you next week

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2019 15:55
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for this. From TAG's perspective the situation is as follows:
TAG approved One Petanque Court being located where your picture shows. The proposal put to TAG by FOWP cited only one court.

The picture that you have sent is where we expected the location to be.
The difference is, I assume, that the outlined area in red is larger than it would be for one court only.
Is there a separation between the courts themselves?

We were not aware that a Petanque Court might house several courts. The footprint photo does not clarify where the actual petanque courts are going. Are they North-South, or East-West. Where are the entry points?

This is important as there are few flat areas in the park for ball games and the area above is used to play football and, sometimes, cricket - usually just a batsman, bowler and 1/2 others! I assume that the court fencing is sufficiently far back from the slope above and robust enough to ensure that footballs ('cricket balls' used are usually ordinary balls) will not damage the fencing .

Some questions:

a) is there evidence to indicate that two courts would be used? The previous work by FOWP would indicate that one court is sufficient.

b) Which direction are the courts actually set: north/south or east/west?

c) If there are two courts, where are the access points etc?

d) I understand that Camden are funding this. Will this be offset/counted within the Waterlow Park running costs? What is the difference between one court and two?

TAG's main concern is to ensure that the Park reflects the needs and also safety of park users: and that any new addition does not affect the appearance of the park and especially the views.

The funding strategy has not been presented to TAG. We are very grateful to Camden to agreeing to fund this work but recognise that there are potential ongoing costs which Camden & TAG need to take into account. I assume that there are no associated insurance issues if players injure themselves? That might affect decision making regarding whether there is more than one court.

We are certainly keeping you busy, [REDACTED]

I hope this is helpful

Best regards,

[REDACTED]

Chair, Waterlow Park Trust Advisory Group

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 20 June 2019 10:26
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

That's really helpful thanks [REDACTED]

I think it would be a good idea to get a quote for a single court thank you I don't think it will be much cheaper though.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2019 19:58
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Hi [REDACTED]

Some comments from me in blue below. I've got a call with idverde tomorrow morning to discuss another project but I'm happy to ask them to quote for a smaller court.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 June 2019 15:55
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: FW: Petanque in Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]

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The picture that you have sent is where we expected the location to be.

The difference is, I assume, that the outlined area in red is larger than it would be for one court only.

Is there a separation between the courts themselves? [It is one court that can accommodate two games side by side. There are no line markings or other separation listed in the specification. I can confirm this with Idverde tomorrow.](#)

We were not aware that a Petanque Court might house several courts. The footprint photo does not clarify where the actual petanque courts are going. Are they North-South, or East-West. Where are the entry points? [I'm not sure what this means. There is no fence around it or gate so you could enter it from any direction. In terms of direction for the games, this has not been fixed and I don't think we need to formalise it with markings or signage. Of course this could be added later if any issues arise. The photo of a petanque court in Hurst might help. Idverde installed this and have based quotation for Waterlow on this. This court is smaller 12mx6m.](#)

This is important as there are few flat areas in the park for ball games and the area above is used to play football and, sometimes, cricket - usually just a batsman, bowler and 1/2 others! I assume that the court fencing is sufficiently far back from the slope above and robust enough to ensure that footballs ('cricket balls' used are usually ordinary balls) will not damage the fencing . [as above](#)

Some questions:

a) is there evidence to indicate that two courts would be used? The previous work by FOWP would indicate that one court is sufficient.[if they would like one lane, I would suggest that this is discussed and confirmed to Camden by the Friends Group in particular \[REDACTED\] who has been leading the project. It will reduce the size probably to 16m x 4 – but I will need to check the exact measurements with Idverde.](#)

b) Which direction are the courts actually set: north/south or east/west? [As above](#)

c) If there are two courts, where are the access points etc? [as above](#)

d) I understand that Camden are funding this. Will this be offset/counted within the Waterlow Park running costs? What is the difference between one court and two? [I'll need to ask idverde to price for a one smaller court that accommodates one game.](#)

TAG's main concern is to ensure that the Park reflects the needs and also safety of park users: and that any new addition does not affect the appearance of the park and especially the views.

The funding strategy has not been presented to TAG. We are very grateful to Camden to agreeing to fund this work but recognise that there are potential ongoing costs which Camden & TAG need to take into account. I assume that there are no associated insurance issues if players injure themselves? That might affect decision making regarding whether there is more than one court. [Attached is \[REDACTED\] email to \[REDACTED\] about insurance](#)

We are certainly keeping you busy, [REDACTED]

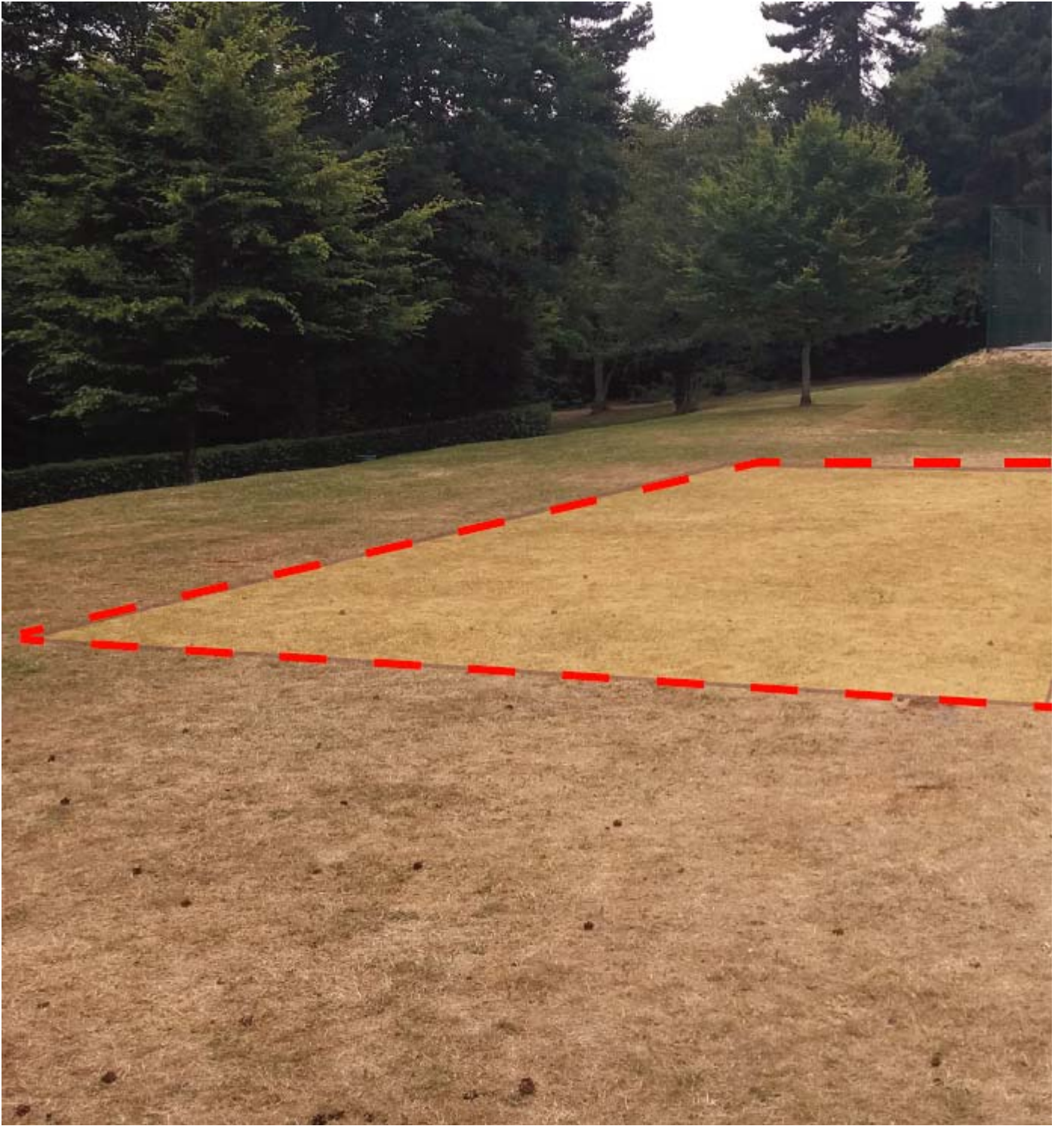
I hope this is helpful

Best regards,

[REDACTED]

Chair, Waterlow Park Trust Advisory Group





Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 June 2019 09:05
To: Downes, Saima
Subject: FW: Petanque Court

Not sure you've seen these? [REDACTED] is effectively surveying the TAG committee members

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 June 2019 18:47
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque Court

[REDACTED]

FROM [REDACTED] CHAIR FRIENDS WATERLOW PARK.

RESPONSES BELOW

On 26 Jun 2019, at 16:52, [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Colleagues,

You will have received an email from [REDACTED] with an attachment showing the court(s) moved so that they are nearer to the tennis courts. For me this makes it much less obtrusive and keeps it away from the Path.

There are still some outstanding issues that need to be clarified. I will check with Camden separately on that and keep you updated.

In your capacity as a TAG member, please can you indicate your views on the following:

- a) I support the establishment of a Petanque court; YES/NO. **YES**
- b) I support the proposed revised positioning of the court away from the path. YES/NO. **YES**
- c) I support having: ONE COURT **TWO**. FOWP WILL MAKE UP THE £500. SHORTFALL WHICH CAMDEN KNOWS now and a set of boules to be kept in the tennis hut.

TWO COURTS

It's not really two courts it's I think they call them lanes, it's two lanes, an extra 4m which the space allows.

Many thanks,

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 July 2019 16:54
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Petanque Court Funding

[REDACTED]

Just to come back on this issue. The funding for the Petanque court has been identified from a section 106 community facilities contribution. It seemed a good fit as the Petanque court was a community driven, community facility for the park. This is a fairly unusual situation for Waterlow Park, as there is less development in the surrounding area of the park within Camden – than say our more central wards where there is lots of development going on whereby developers have to contribute to green open space provision and or enhancement.

As for repairs to park assets, these are managed by our operations team and dealt with by a risk based approach. If we were unable to repair or replace a specific piece of equipment or asset due to funding issues we would discuss this with you.

Future projects for the park would need be worked up through TAG and then we could look for some funding opportunities.

Kind regards [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 June 2019 14:56
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque Court Funding

Thank you for all the work you have done on this project.

TAG is supporting it but is concerned that a substantial sum of Camden monies is being spent on this project. The original proposal was for 1 court which Camden would fund. FOWP are keen to have two courts and in earlier emails FOWP indicated that they had the monies to fund the difference.

I understand now that the suggestion is that Camden are prepared to fund up to £12,000 leaving only £500 to paid by FOWP.

Please could you clarify the import of Camden providing this funding. Will Camden still be in the position to support other Waterlow Park developments/repairs during this financial year?

Many thanks,

[REDACTED]
Chair, Waterlow Park Trust Advisory Group

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 July 2019 14:21
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Notice of Works - Waterlow Park Petanque 22nd July

Thanks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 July 2019 13:03
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Notice of Works - Waterlow Park Petanque 22nd July

Dear All,

This email notification is to highlight that construction works are going to be taking place at Waterlow Park. The works may affect your service or your responsibilities. Please take note of the duration of works and action as appropriate.

Project summary

Green Space Site	Waterlow Park – petanque court installation
Duration of works	Start date – 22nd July 2019 Completion date – Approx 29th July 2019
Project lead	[REDACTED]
Contractor	Idverde
Is the site closed during construction?	No, just the area around the petanque court location which is at the bottom of the tennis courts (near Highgate Hill gate). This area will be cordoned off as necessary
Other information	

If you have any questions about the works then get in contact with the project lead.

Kind regards

Camden Green Space Team

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 July 2019 08:50
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Urgent re Petanque Court

[REDACTED]

I'll talk to [REDACTED] this morning and one of us will get back to you asap.

Best wishes

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, July 24, 2019 5:03:01 PM
To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Urgent re Petanque Court

I have been to look at the Petanque Court works. The agreement was for the court to be as close as possible to the tennis courts. This was an agreed change to ensure as much space as possible between the court and the path going north and will also positively impact on the space above.

The area being dug out does not comply with this. It is virtually in the middle of the space.

Please can you contact IdVerde immediately to get this changed. I will also go to the park early tomorrow and speak with the workman. Do you have a copy of the plan that IdVerde were given? TAG & FOWP should have been sent copies.

I do hope that IdVerde has the plan that we all agreed upon.

When are you on holiday [REDACTED] as it would be good to meet up sometime.

Best wishes,

[REDACTED]

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 26 March 2020 08:34
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque Waterlow

[REDACTED]

Could we add Petanque to the list of facilities to be closed down and have a poster.

Many thanks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 March 2020 16:20
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Friends of Waterlow Park Answers if you can

Word from VP Pétanque England. *Our advice at the moment is to suspend all play including social play.*

Regretfully,

[REDACTED]

On 25 Mar 2020, at 13:51, [REDACTED] wrote:

That should not be an issue to 'tape off the area'. Or, perhaps, cover it with canvas. In all my visits I have only seen it used once so I don't think that usage is going to be a key issue.

What I have noticed though is that it is used by dogs Not seen any doing their business but they have moved the pebbles around.

On Wed, Mar 25, 2020 at 12:27 PM [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear [REDACTED]

We haven't specifically discussed it. We will, if we close it down, we will use a poster and a type of tape or fencing

Best wishes [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 25 March 2020 11:59
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Friends of Waterlow Park Answers if you can

[REDACTED]

Forgive another question. Is Boules still allowed for twosomes or families?

On 24 Mar 2020, at 16:00, [REDACTED]
wrote:

Hi [REDACTED]

The decision taken to leave parks open was for a number of reasons, namely to extend the time people can seek to use them beyond our opening/ closing times to aid social distancing as well as to minimise the operational burden – the team are currently around 20% down on staffing due to self-isolation or actual symptoms.

The Council is in emergency management mode and thus the decision was taken at highest (Gold) level in the Council. We will review this decision as events unfold, but please be assured this decision wasn't taken lightly and certainly not something we would extend beyond the minimum period.

It is worth noting that similar situations other Councils have sought to close their parks – something we will try to avoid.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Head of Green Spaces

Telephone: [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 24 March 2020 14:48
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Friends of Waterlow Park Answers if you can

Thanks [REDACTED] Will await your thoughts on overnite closure. [REDACTED]

> On 24 Mar 2020, at 12:34, [REDACTED]
> wrote:
>
> Hi [REDACTED]
> We appreciate your support. These are difficult times and we are plotting a
course as best as we can.
> Government advice very clearly prohibits any gatherings outside of
individual households, and I hope you will have noticed we took down the
BBQ materials, but whisl this is the case we don't see any need or evidence
to specifically ban BBQs at this time.

>
> If issues begin to arise, we will review our position, but at present we don't
have resources to actively monitor or to enforce and certainly would not
support anyone approaching someone in these times on our behalf.

>
> Thanks

>
> [REDACTED]
>
> [REDACTED]
> Head of Green Spaces

>
> Telephone: [REDACTED]


>
> -----Original Message-----

> From: [REDACTED]
> Sent: 24 March 2020 12:14
> To: [REDACTED]
> Cc: [REDACTED]
> Subject: Friends of Waterlow Park Answers if you can

>
> Dear [REDACTED]

>
> We have useful communications lines , website, mailings and twitter to
reach members and beyond so it would be great to be up to speed.

>
> I see from the head of Camden Council's video that new signage is
planned.

>
> Are two people allowed to barbecue? Or are BBQs now banned? Can't see that anywhere on website.
>
> Have you given any more thought to whether keeping Waterlow Park open 24/7 is wise? It may cause more mess for park attendants to clean up and police time wasted with Highgate residents reporting gatherings of more than two.
>
> Realise very hectic for you but look forward to just resolving these questions. Have put Camden coronavirus link on today's Tweet. Just waiting now to put news item on our website.
>
> 
> Chair Friends of Waterlow Park
>
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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 June 2020 10:29
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque

FYI

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 June 2020 15:24
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Subject: RE: MUGA posters

Hi [REDACTED]

Its programmed to be opened tomorrow Tue 16th.

[REDACTED] please can you let [REDACTED] know if it is **not** opened.

thanks

[REDACTED]
Green Space Operations Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 June 2020 12:22
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: MUGA posters

[REDACTED]

Could you let us know when the Petanque is re-opened

Many thanks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 June 2020 11:54
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: MUGA posters

Will the WP Petanque pitch open at the same time as [REDACTED] has asked?
[REDACTED]

Sent from [Outlook Mobile](#)

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, June 12, 2020 11:51:41 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: MUGA posters

Just to let you know we're getting re-opening MUGA posters delivered to you on Wednesday along with the banners.

After that there will be posters for the skatepark and hopefully that will be the last!

Park Services Manager
Place Management
Supporting Communities
London Borough of Camden

Telephone: [REDACTED]
Mobile: [REDACTED]
Web: camden.gov.uk
4th Floor
5 Pancras Square
5 Pancras Square
London N1C 4AG



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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2020 10:56
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque

[REDACTED]

Did the Petanque court open?

Thank you [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Park Services Manager
Place Management
Supporting Communities
London Borough of Camden

Telephone: [REDACTED]
Mobile: [REDACTED]
Web: camden.gov.uk

4th Floor
5 Pancras Square
5 Pancras Square
London N1C 4AG



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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2020 16:11
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Pétanque in Waterlow

Dear all

I understood that the Petanque court would be re-opened at the end of last week. I have asked a colleague to confirm

Best wishes [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]

-----Original Message-----

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 June 2020 10:01

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Pétanque in Waterlow

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Hi there

Is Pétanque now officially restored? Obviously we can't lend out the boules [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPhone

Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 August 2020 13:38
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: petanque

[REDACTED]

Could you make contact with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to see if we could start off volunteer management of the petanque court. [REDACTED]

Could you discuss whether a rake would suffice, then depending on equipment and tasks required could you draft a risk assessment for them to consider and own, please include COVID considerations in this too.

Parks for London has a checklist for volunteering in parks

Many thanks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 August 2020 12:36
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

Thanks for raising.

[REDACTED] – are you aware of what issue they are referring to?

It looked fine last time I saw it. I'd be keen to facilitate the keen petanque players helping to look after it. I'm sure a rake could be provided with ease.

Thanks

[REDACTED]

Green Space Development Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 06 August 2020 11:02

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: FW: petanque

Hi hope all is well. Please see below. If you check my handover notes, the outstanding issue was agreeing ongoing maintenance with GM team. Idverde did top it up back in Feb/March.

[REDACTED]

Senior Policy and Project officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 05 August 2020 11:33

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: petanque

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Dear [REDACTED]

What a lifetime since this e-mail exchange! I hope you and your family have kept well. Although it seems easier now, it really was a nightmare at the beginning.

Of course the Petanque pitch has opened up again, and I have already had a complaint about the state of the surface, with someone claiming that the keen petanque players are having to go to Parliament Hill and Caledonian Park. Apparently she has also contacted [REDACTED].

Can you let me know what is happening?

Thanks a lot

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 March 2020 17:33
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

It is really good of you to keep on at this. I know how busy you all are.
To be honest, I'm not really the expert on Petanque. The idea, and the person who really was committed, was [REDACTED]. I think he tends to [REDACTED], but hopefully he's back now. If you don't mind, I shall forward your e-mail to him.

I was hoping that he would be organising the raking and rolling etc of the court, he is a 'Friend', but If he doesn't, I shall see what I can do to sort it out.

The roller could be kept in one of the stores in the park.

best wishes

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 March 2020 17:20
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

I hope all is well. I'm so sorry this has taken so long to resolve. I have been working on it in the background and finally got a result!

Idverde are intending to top up the petanque court as per our discussions. This should take place next week.

Following this can we discuss ongoing maintenance tasks that the Friends can support?
We discussed the Friends raking the court but unsure if it would be possible to roll it . Apparently it is a straightforward task using a small roller such as this

https://www.amazon.co.uk/Garden-Roller-Galvanised-Rolling-Gear/dp/B00J2A5TYG/ref=asc_df_B00J2A5TYG/?tag=googshopuk-21&linkCode=df0&hvadid=265495279369&hvpos=&hvnetw=g&hvrnd=14558769812246553106&hvpone=&hvptwo=&hvgmt=&hvdev=c&hvdvcmdl=&hvlocint=&hvlocphy=9045997&hvtargid=pla-732620347861&psc=1

Camden could potentially purchase this for the Friends if that would help. We would need to find an appropriate place to store it. Please let me know what you think.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 November 2019 16:28
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: petanque

Thank you for getting back to me so quickly. I thought the rolling was supposed to be done on completion. I don't think we're capable of doing that.

Would it be possible to find out the grit size for that final layer? or is that asking too much?

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 November 2019 15:55
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

I know that it hasn't been rolled since completion which may be causing a problem.

Could you leave it with me so that I can ask for a quote to get some basic maintenance carried out?

Thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 27 November 2019 18:53
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you so much for getting back to me on this.

The Friends did indeed offer to rake it - I hope I can get the person who offered to do it!

There are three questions that I can see with the top layer:-

1. They say "grit"; does that mean the 4mm to dust the Petanque Association suggest?
2. Have they rolled it?
3. How do they know that an allowance wasn't made for compaction when the English Petanque Association recommend 6mm?

The trouble is that I have now had two complaints about the surface from people should know. It is a pity to spend so much money and not get it right, especially when we are told it was worth paying more for specialists who would know what they were doing!

best wishes

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 November 2019 15:16
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

I'm so sorry I didn't get back to you on this sooner. Idverde did get back to me a couple of weeks ago. Unfortunately, due to limited resources, they are carrying out basic maintenance – litter picking and leaf removal. I was not involved in the early stages of the project but my understanding was that the Friends Group would rake it? I can check if it is possible to provide some equipment for the Friends to use if that would be helpful?

Please see the attached specification that Idverde worked to for installation. This was based on the sketch image that the Friends provided. The top layer was 10mm which is more than recommended by the English Petanque Association but the reason being is that this compacts down to about 40%.

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 November 2019 13:17
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

Did you get further response on maintenance?

I've just been back to the e-mail I got from the English Petanque Association, where they have guidelines on how to build a pitch, including the following :-

4. Top Dressing Once the area has been very well compacted a thin layer of granite dust (4mm to dust) should be spread over the area and rolled. The point about top dressing is that it should be just deep enough to provide the boule with some grip on landing, but not so deep that the boule sinks into it to any extent. When the top surface is too deep it is impossible to play the game properly. The ideal top dressing depth is about 6mm.

It seems to me that they have made the top dressing too deep + not really knowing about these things but looking at it, they have laid down granite dust that is larger than 4 mms. However I don't know what spec you gave them

[REDACTED]

the top surface is too deep it is impossible to play the game properly. The ideal top dressing depth is about 6mm.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 15 October 2019 09:36

To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

I did receive a response (below) but I'm awaiting a further response on the maintenance. I'll chase this up.

“The terrain was constructed as per the drawing and specification provided. This replicated that delivered at Hurst Park where there have been no such issues.

Essentially we add a 10mm thick layer on completion of the build up because there is a 40% compaction factor on the product which migrates into the compacted limestone below.

Can you check that the terrain has been raked, wetted and rolled as per the advice issued. This is incredibly important part of the ongoing maintenance, more so in the early stages”

Kind Regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 October 2019 12:09

To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

Did you hear anything else about IdVerde putting down another layer of finer 'sand' once the pitch has been trodden down?

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 September 2019 09:29
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

I hope you has a good summer.

I'll check the specification again with Idverde. As I understand it, no further works are planned.

I'll get back to you shortly.

Kind Regards

Green Space Project Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 September 2019 17:30
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: petanque

Hi both of you; I'm assuming [REDACTED] is back from parental leave. I'm sure you had a splendid time [REDACTED]

Firstly, I want to say how pleased we all are to have our splendid new Petanque pitch. I'm afraid I'm away for a lot of the summer but, when I've been back, everyone has been very enthusiastic.

Nextly, we have had an enquiry about the 'finish' of the pitch. Apparently the boules are sinking to far into the surface. I checked on the English petanque web site, <http://www.englishpetanque.org.uk/documents/Sec%204PlayingArea.pdf>, where it says :-

Top Dressing: Once the area has been very well compacted a thin layer of granite dust (4mm to dust) should be spread over the area and rolled. The point about top dressing is that it should be just deep enough to provide the boule with some grip on landing, but not so deep that the boule sinks into it to any extent. When the top surface is too deep it is impossible to play the game properly. The ideal top dressing depth is about 6mm

Can you tell me if this is going to happen? are you waiting for it to be compacted? was it part of the spec?

The trouble is that although many of us will just play anywhere, there are Petanque clubs in North London, eg Gospel Oak and U3A, who want a pitch conforming to a certain standard so they can invite other clubs to play and so they can run competitions.

Sorry if I shouldn't be troubling you but I gather officers got a bit irritated by e-mails from all different directions earlier in the year. Just give me a steer on whom I should contact if you want.

Best wishes to both of you and, believe me, i am truly appreciative of all your efforts



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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 June 2021 10:21
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]
Apologies, this is on [REDACTED] work plan and we discussed it when we last caught up. We have been exceptionally busy though.

[REDACTED] is on leave this week, but will update you towards the end of last week.

Best wishes [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 June 2021 10:09
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

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Three weeks later, I have had no response to my e-mail from either of you. I have phoned and phoned and just left messages, again with no response. My understanding was that IdVerde had agreed that the petanque pitch was wrongly installed and was going to relay it correctly. This has not happened. My alternative was to pay for it to be installed correctly, but no progress has been made on that either. I would be grateful if I could have a response informing me of the state of play so that I can report back to the Friends of Waterlow Park Committee.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 May 2021 14:44
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fw: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

Dear [REDACTED]
As you possibly know, we are unhappy with the finish to the Petanque Pitch in Waterlow Park. [REDACTED] (your job share?) said that IdVerde had agreed to make good the surface, see February e-mail below, but

nothing has happened and I can't contact [REDACTED] I have been trying for some time. Is he alright? Do you have any idea what is happening?

best wishes

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 23 February 2021 14:52
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

Hi [REDACTED]

Yes sorry our phone lines are quite unpredictable – I think everyone working from home doesn't help.

The good news is that idverde have said they are willing to apply the top dressing again, I have made sure to send on what you sent me regarding the material being used. So now I just need to ensure the ongoing maintenance is agreed (rolling, raking and wetting as I mentioned on the phone) and I can give them the go ahead.

If you want to chat my mobile number is [REDACTED], I find that's often more reliable than the landline.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Green Space Partnership Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 22 February 2021 15:29
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

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I tried to call you but the telephone system at Camden seems to be down. Can you tell me if we have made any progress with finishing the Petanque Pitch?

Thanks a lot

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 October 2020 15:45
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

Hi [REDACTED]

Sorry I was on another call and just got your message. I haven't gotten an answer yet from idverde, thank you for the reminder though I will chase it up & give you a call back later this week.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Green Space Partnership Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 13 October 2020 16:42

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

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Have you managed to get any further with this?

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 10 September 2020 10:17

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: RE: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

Thanks [REDACTED] – I'll try and find out what was actually used in the end to top up.

I went to Hampstead Heath pitch yesterday and the difference is apparent

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

Green Space Partnership Officer

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 08 September 2020 10:12
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

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I'm afraid I can't find our original specifications, it was all so long ago, but this is the sort of thing:-
https://petanque.files.wordpress.com/2012/08/designing_and_building_a_petanque_terrain_v2.pdf
The point about top dressing is that it should be just deep enough to provide the boule with some grip on landing, but not so deep that the boule sinks into it to any extent. When the top surface is too deep it is impossible to play the game properly. The ideal top dressing depth is about 6mm. So proceed with a fine layer of 4mm Crushed Carboniferous Limestone [Specification: BS EN 13242] and again remembering to keep this layer below 2½ x 3 or 4 MM in depth. Again, it is good technique at this stage to "rough cast" this layer across the area to produce variations in the depth of the material. A Maximum therefore of 2½ x 4mm = 10mm deep and say a Minimum depth of 6mm. Again vibrate this layer down fairly firmly – possibly watering as you do so dependent on how damp the material is. It needs to bind together as the compaction process proceeds. The compacted depth should finish up at between 3mm & 6mm and there should be all sorts of the desirable undulations in the surface. The coverage rate is approx 2.1 Tonnes Per Cubic Metre. Prices will vary across the UK, but can generally be about £15>£19/tonne delivered to site. Again, before you commit yourselves to the purchase of this material, have a sample delivered or go and view the source, to ensure an even distribution of grit to the dust in the mixture. It should be about 60% grit to 40% dust. If the pitch were properly finished, it wouldn't need much maintenance.

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 September 2020 17:38
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Re: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

The trouble is that, if they topped it up, they topped it up with the wrong grade of material. The correct grade, as advised by the English Petanque Association, is finer so the balls can roll. It would be interesting to know when they topped it up as it was closed through most of Covid Lockdown.
I shall talk to FoWP about funding a top up with the correct grade (have you any idea of the cost?) but if the contractors or idverde have not fulfilled the contract, they should do it. If they have installed the pitch to spec, it should not need much maintenance. FoWP have already offered to do what's necessary but our volunteers won't want to put in the time and effort into a substandard pitch.
Thanks a lot for getting back to me

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 September 2020 13:17
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Petanque pitch maintenance at Waterlow Park

Hi both

[REDACTED] passed on your contact info to discuss the petanque pitch at Waterlow.
Me and [REDACTED] have both spoken to our grounds maintenance team, who did get idverde top up the pitch earlier this year, but for ongoing maintenance they want quite a lot of money. I'd ideally like to get the Friends of Waterlow involved, with some help from volunteers we can reduce or even remove the need for idverde to do it.

Is this something you two could help me with? We will need to decide what maintenance jobs are needed (definitive online resources are not easy to find), how often they need to be done. From our side we can easily purchase a rake and keep it in the park.

Kind regards

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 19 January 2022 18:10
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Waterlow Park petanque

Dear [REDACTED]

We are being asked by the park's Trust Advisory Group when this work will take place. Please could you confirm if and when you can complete the works?

Many thanks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 January 2022 11:55
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Waterlow Park petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

Can you provide an update and timescale for completing this job please we need this done ASAP as people will be wanting to play again soon.

Regards

[REDACTED]
Green Space Partnership Officer
Pronouns: He/Him/His

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 12 November 2021 11:37

To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: Waterlow Park petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

Can you respond on the below please? We are now in Winter which would be an ideal time to complete these works.

Thanks

[REDACTED]
Green Space Partnership Officer
Pronouns: He/Him/His

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 07 October 2021 11:35
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

Could you give an update on this job please?

Thanks

[REDACTED]
Green Space Partnership Officer
Pronouns: He/Him/His

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 18 August 2021 07:11
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park petanque

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Hi [REDACTED]

Apologies, I was on leave last week. We will programme this in for the second week in September.

Kind regards


[REDACTED]





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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 August 2021 12:39
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park petanque

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Hi [REDACTED]

Any progress?

Cheers

[REDACTED]

Green Space Partnership Officer
Pronouns: He/Him/His

Telephone: [REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 August 2021 07:47
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park petanque

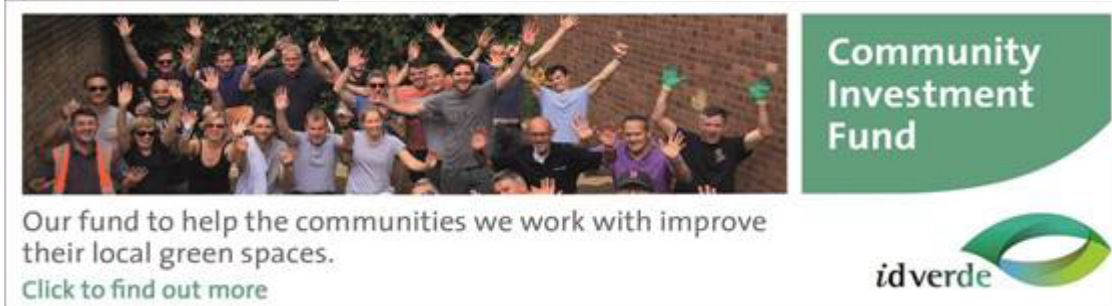
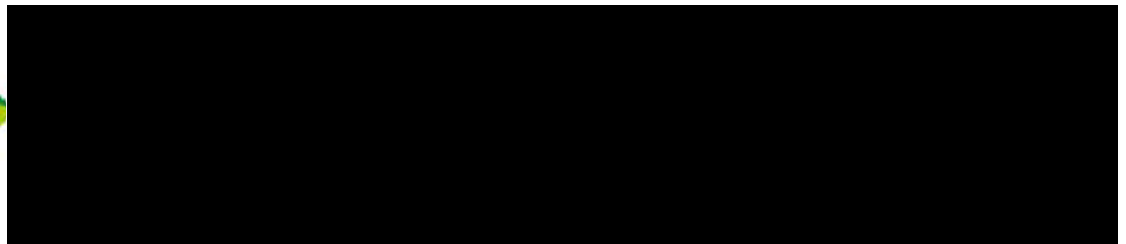
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Morning [REDACTED]

Apologies for the delay in coming back to you. I will need to check availability of materials and labour so leave this with me for this week.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]



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Sent: 23 July 2021 10:14
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park petanque

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Hi [REDACTED]

Could you let me know your availability to do the works discussed below?

[REDACTED] – I'm going to talk with [REDACTED] about adding the ongoing maintenance to the schedule of works.

Thanks

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Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Waterlow Park petanque

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Hi [REDACTED]

Apologies for the delay in coming back to you. I had to wait for the return of the colleague who oversaw the top up back in March. We carried out a top up to the surface layer with the aggregate that was applied originally. This is the same methodology for all our terrains which need an aggregate layer for the balls to land.

In terms of ongoing maintenance, it is crucial that rolling and wetting is completed to keep and after a discussion with [REDACTED] I believe this is yet to pass over to his duties. However cyclical maintenance often doesn't meet the needs of the terrain in use and reliant on users contributing to the process. At Hurst Park in Elmbridge, the users complete raking and rolling to tie in with usage so as the consistency of the playing surface is maintained.

I'm keen to ensure this is right for you and happy to arrange for a further top up/roll of the surface, but onward maintenance needs to be arranged with [REDACTED] so as he can resource it accordingly.

Does this sound ok?

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 21 January 2021 11:20

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Waterlow Park petanque

Hi [REDACTED]

I hope you are well. I have been discussing the Waterlow Park petanque pitch with [REDACTED] and other colleagues, as I've had some complaints that people find it hard to play on.

I was forwarded the attached email where you mention maintenance – it appears that no raking or rolling was carried out on the pitch after installation (the surface was topped up last year, but with gravel opposed to fine dust).

You mention that this is incredibly important in the early stages, so to get the pitch into a playable condition would you recommend redressing the top layer and starting again, or to start raking and rolling now?

Kind regards

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 June 2019 08:13
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Fwd: Petanque

[REDACTED]
I spoke to [REDACTED] about this yesterday and confirmed the below to [REDACTED] Although she has now commented below.

Best [REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 12 June, 18:44
Subject: Re: Petanque
To: [REDACTED]

Interesting I ve just read that 18 x 6m is the space needed for what they call one lane ie one game. Do you think the figures got reversed? Englishpetanque.org.uk

Perhaps that could be checked. But many thanks for the explanation today.

[REDACTED]
On Wed, 12 Jun 2019 at 18:14, [REDACTED] wrote:

Just to confirm pitch detail:

It is just one court 16m x 8m. The size allows for more than one game to be played at a time.

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Philip Lewis

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 06 July 2022 16:52
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: PETANQUE PITCH IN WATERLOW PARK

Dear [REDACTED]

I am sorry for the delay,

I'm afraid, previously I have followed up the specification of the court with the contractors who undertook the work, they returned earlier this year (February), and we are satisfied they have now honoured this.

When we first discussed the petanque court I was under the impression that a group of volunteers might like to help look after the court. We could consider purchasing a roller and or rake if volunteers would like to do this, it's not covered by our general park's horticulture contract and is unique for our parks across Camden.

If there really is a call for some more specialised surface we could consider this, especially if volunteers could help lay it. However, we would like to be reassured that there was consensus amongst players as to what this specification would be and why it was needed. There is a general feeling that court is quite under-used. I think the project should be raised via the friends at the Trust Advisory Group, which [REDACTED] - copied in (chair of friends can arrange). We could support you with developing a risk assessment for any activities.

Best wishes [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Park Services Manager

Telephone: [REDACTED]









From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 16 June 2022 10:29

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: PETANQUE PITCH IN WATERLOW PARK

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Dear [REDACTED]

I was at the Friends of Waterlow Park's AGM last night and supported another member in asking for a final surface to be added to the petanque pitch to make it fully playable. I was given your contact details by a committee member.

In the Friends' 'Summary of 2021-2022' it says 'Idverde has made good the Petanque pitch so people will be able to have a smoother game this year'.

As it is, the surface is too soft and grainy, which means balls can't roll, only stay where they fall. This takes out 2 crucial aspects of the game - judging the roll your own ball might make and nudging an opponent's ball out of the way. What we're left with on the current pitch is basically a surface for practicing shooting.

Waterlow Park's pitch could relatively easily be made fully playable with the addition of a couple of layers of sandy soil with a sprinkling of pebbles, and a really good, heavy-duty roll to impact the ground. We currently play at Caledonian Park and Parliament Hill (by the tennis courts). These 2 surfaces are different but very enjoyable to play on.

This pitch is in a great position and could be used so much more by the growing number of local people interested in the game.

I'd be so grateful if you'd look into this for us, please.

Many thanks in advance.

Kind regards,

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