
PARISH COUNCIL – INVITATION TO TENDER (ITT)

Children’s Playground Revamp Project

1. Introduction

Thurcroft Parish Council invites suitably qualified and experienced playground design and installation companies to submit a tender for the **design, supply, and installation of a revitalised children’s playground** at:

Location:

Gordon Bennett Memorial Hall, Green Arbour Rd, Thurcroft, Rotherham, S66 9DD.

The Council wishes to create a **safe, inclusive, and engaging play environment** with clearly defined areas for **younger and older children**, and to **relocate an existing teenage hut** to a more appropriate area of the site or nearby land.

2. Client Details

- **Client:** Thurcroft Parish Council
- **Contact Officer:** Sarah Wilkinson
- **Email:** Clerk@thurcroftparishcouncil.gov.uk
- **Telephone:** 07462671978

3. Project Background

The current playground no longer adequately meets the needs of all age groups. In particular:

- There is **insufficient separation between younger children and older users**
- Existing equipment lacks progression and challenge
- The current location of the **teenage hut** impacts the enjoyment and safety of younger children

The Parish Council seeks innovative proposals that address these issues while remaining sympathetic to the surrounding community.

4. Project Objectives

Tenderers should demonstrate how their proposals will:

- Provide **distinct play zones** for:
 - Younger children (approx. ages 2–6)
 - Older children (approx. ages 7–12+)
 - Improve safety, supervision, and accessibility
 - Encourage active, imaginative, and social play
 - Reduce conflict between different age groups
 - Relocate the existing teenage hut to a more suitable location (specified by the council)
 - Deliver a durable, low-maintenance solution
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5. Scope of Works

The scope includes, but is not limited to:

5.1 Design

- A full playground layout plan
- Clear zoning for younger and older children
- Consideration of natural or physical separation (e.g. planting, fencing, surfacing, pathways)
- Integration of the relocated teenage hut into an appropriate area

5.2 Equipment & Installation

- Supply and installation of age-appropriate play equipment
 - Removal and relocation of the teenage hut to include any necessary groundwork, bases, or minor modifications
 - Groundworks and surfacing
 - Compliance with all relevant safety standards (e.g. EN 1176 / 1177)
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6. Design Requirements

Younger Children's Area (Indicative)

- Low-level equipment suitable for early years
- Inclusive and sensory play elements
- Safer surfacing
- Good visibility for parents and carers

Older Children's Area (Indicative)

- More challenging and adventurous equipment
- Opportunities for physical activity and social interaction
- Equipment that discourages misuse of younger play areas

7. Budget

Budget spend in the region of 125k -150k

Tenderers should provide:

- A **fully itemised cost breakdown**
- Optional items or phased delivery options if appropriate
- Confirmation of any ongoing maintenance costs

8. Programme

Please confirm:

- Lead time from award to commencement
- Installation duration
- Any site constraints or requirements

9. Tender Submission Requirements

Submissions must include:

1. Company profile and relevant experience
2. Examples of similar playground projects (preferably Parish or Town Councils)
3. Proposed design concept (sketches or visuals encouraged)
4. Explanation of how age separation will be achieved
5. Details of teenage hut relocation proposal
6. Full cost breakdown
7. Warranty and maintenance details
8. Health & Safety policy
9. Insurance certificates

10. Evaluation Criteria

Tenders will be assessed on:

- Quality and suitability of design proposal
- Understanding of age-appropriate play and zoning
- Approach to teenage hut relocation
- Value for money
- Experience and track record

- Compliance with safety and accessibility standards
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11. Submission Details

- **Closing Date: 10th April 2026**
 - **Submission Method:** email: clerk@thurcroftparishcouncil.gov.uk
 - **Late submissions will not be considered**
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12. Site Visit

Tenderers are:

Required

(Please state dates and booking arrangements)

13. Additional Information

The Parish Council does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.