

<b>1.</b>	<b>LEYBOURNE LAKES COUNTRY PARK – PROVISION OF CHILDREN’S PLAY FACILITIES</b>		
	<b>1.</b>	<b>Specification:</b>	
	(i)	<b>Purpose of the scheme:</b>	To improve and enhance facilities at Leybourne Lakes Country Park for young people, in response to identified customer needs.
	(ii)	<b>Relevance to National / Council Strategic Objectives:</b>	<p>a) <u>National</u> – Promoting healthier communities          Creating safer and stronger communities          Working towards the Green Flag Award scheme</p> <p>b) <u>Council</u> – Encourage developer contributions in support of community leisure facilities – <b>3e</b>.          Enable the whole community, including those most in need, to more fully enjoy leisure and cultural activities – <b>7a</b>          Operate the Council’s leisure facilities/services more effectively, efficiently and economically, within approved levels of resources, to meet identified needs – <b>7c</b>.          Give priority to involving and meeting the needs of young people – <b>7g (key priority)</b>.          Promote, encourage and provide opportunities for healthy living – <b>10a (key priority)</b>          Reduce anti-social behaviour – <b>11a (key priority)</b>.          The need for additional activities/facilities for young people at Leybourne Lakes Country Park has been identified within the Local Play Strategy and the draft Leisure &amp; Arts Strategy.</p>
	(iii)	<b>Targets for Judging Success:</b>	<p>Children’s play areas have proved to be popular amongst young people and the scheme will be judged against</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improved facilities for young people</li> <li>• Improved feedback from onsite market surveys</li> <li>• Successful Green Flag Award application</li> </ul>

2	<p><b>Design Issues:</b>  The new children's play facility will be designed to fit in with the natural surroundings and will encourage natural play. The new facility will also have a small picnic area and will include pieces of interactive sculpture. The final design will take into consideration the outcome of consultation including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All play equipment will be wooden or wooden effect to fit in with the natural surroundings</li> <li>• There will be an adventure trail and other active play opportunities.</li> <li>• CCTV will be installed to cover the play area to discourage anti-social behaviour (a planning application will be required).</li> <li>• Tube slides and enclosed seating areas will be excluded to discourage anti-social behaviour</li> </ul>			
3	<p><b>Consultation:</b>  Consultation with users of the Country Park has previously taken place through a market survey which highlighted the need for children's play facilities. Further consultation has also been carried out with the Country Park's User Panel and during the Park's Wildlife Activity Days.</p> <p>Snodland Town Council and East Malling &amp; Larkfield Parish Council have been made aware of the proposals through regular liaison meetings.</p>			
4	<p><b>Capital Costs:</b>  £100,000 – Full funding has been secured and received from developer contributions.</p>			
5.	<p><b>Profiling of Expenditure</b></p>			
	<b>2008/09 (£'000)</b>	<b>2009/10 (£'000)</b>	<b>2010/11 (£'000)</b>	<b>2011/12 (£'000)</b>
	£100,000	-		-
6	<p><b>Revenue Impact:</b>  Any additional revenue costs will be met by existing budgets.</p>			
7	<p><b>Partnership Funding:</b> Developer Contributions (100% of funding)</p>			
8	<p><b>Post-Implementation Review:</b> 12 months from completion</p>			
9	<p><b>Recommendation:</b> Transfer to List A for implementation in 2008/09.</p>			