



Westcroft Green Space Project

Update to Planning and Development Committee

July 2026

Working Group Update

Active Zone – Play/Fitness Provider Engagement

- Initial quotes have now been received from Kompan, Proludic, Online Playgrounds, Playdale, and Rhino Play. These engagements will inform design development and pricing for the next stage of the project.
- A working group meeting is being held w/c 07 July to discuss the initial plans.
- This information will inform the development of the final design which contractors will then formally quote for.
- Final options will then be narrowed down and go out for public consultation.
- The public consultation results will be shared with council to inform the decision-making process.
- Programme timings may need adjustment depending on receipt of the final design proposals.

Relaxation Zone and Imagination Zone

- A letter has been sent to nearby residents to advise of the plans for the relaxation zone - no comments or concerns regarding the zone have been received.
- As a result the Marmax bench has been ordered and received for the area (£440), with grounds or volunteers to install a base.
- A comms update has been shared for the project.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Note the update.

Funding position

£37,050	Current budget estimate (£30,000 for active zone, £1,500 relaxation zone, £2,000 picnic benches, £2,000 imagination zone, contingency £3,550) – this is likely to increase as the imagination zone is costed, and excludes contingency)
-£24,667	Projected funding shortfall at start of project

4480 Play Area Costs - Westcroft Transactions

Saxilby with Ingleby Parish Council

For the period 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027

EMR is 336 - RFF Westcroft Project.

Account Name	336 - RFF Westcroft Project
Opening balance	12,383.07
Income	
Total Income	0.00
Expenses	
4480 Play Area Costs – Westcroft	(440.00)
Total Expenses	(440.00)
Income/expenditure for the year	(440.00)
Closing balance	11,943.07

Date	Description	Net
4480 Play Area Costs - Westcroft		
16 Jun 2026	MGD Products - BLACK 3 SEAT TRADITIONAL SEAT	380.00
16 Jun 2026	MGD Products - CARRIAGE/PACKAGING/WAREHOUSE	60.00
Total 4480 Play Area Costs - Westcroft		440.00
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Potential Funding sources

- [One Earth](#) – Grant application submitted for active zone £1,000 max
- West Lindsey District Council Communities Funding – pending fund opening
- Tesco – no longer eligible as now for fruits and veg. Closed.
- National Lottery Awards for All? (may be more appropriate for Community Centre Refurb Funding)

Background

Westcroft Greenspace is a council owned (LL187285), well-used greenspace within a residential area that currently offers limited recreational provision. Public consultation for the Neighbourhood Plan identified the redevelopment of this space as an important project for the area.

A former small wooden play area reached the end of its life and was removed a number of years ago. This left a largely open green area with benches, mature planting, and a single football goal.

While the space is valued for its natural character, there is an opportunity to enhance its usability and appeal.

Initial public consultation identified a strong desire to improve the site in a way that retains its green, informal feel while introducing thoughtful, and engaging features—particularly for those living in close proximity.

Although the village already benefits from a range of recreational facilities, these are located some distance from Westcroft Greenspace. With continued housing growth in the area, there is a clear need for accessible, local provision that complements—not duplicates—existing offer.

Initial Consultation

The council secured some funding from West Lindsey District Council for a consultant to carry out initial public consultation on what residents and users would like to see at Westcroft Greenspace.

The consultant's report recommends that Westcroft Greenspace re-development should be delivered using a carefully planned zoned approach, rather than as a single traditional playground or, conversely, leaving the site largely unchanged to meet the needs of different user types.

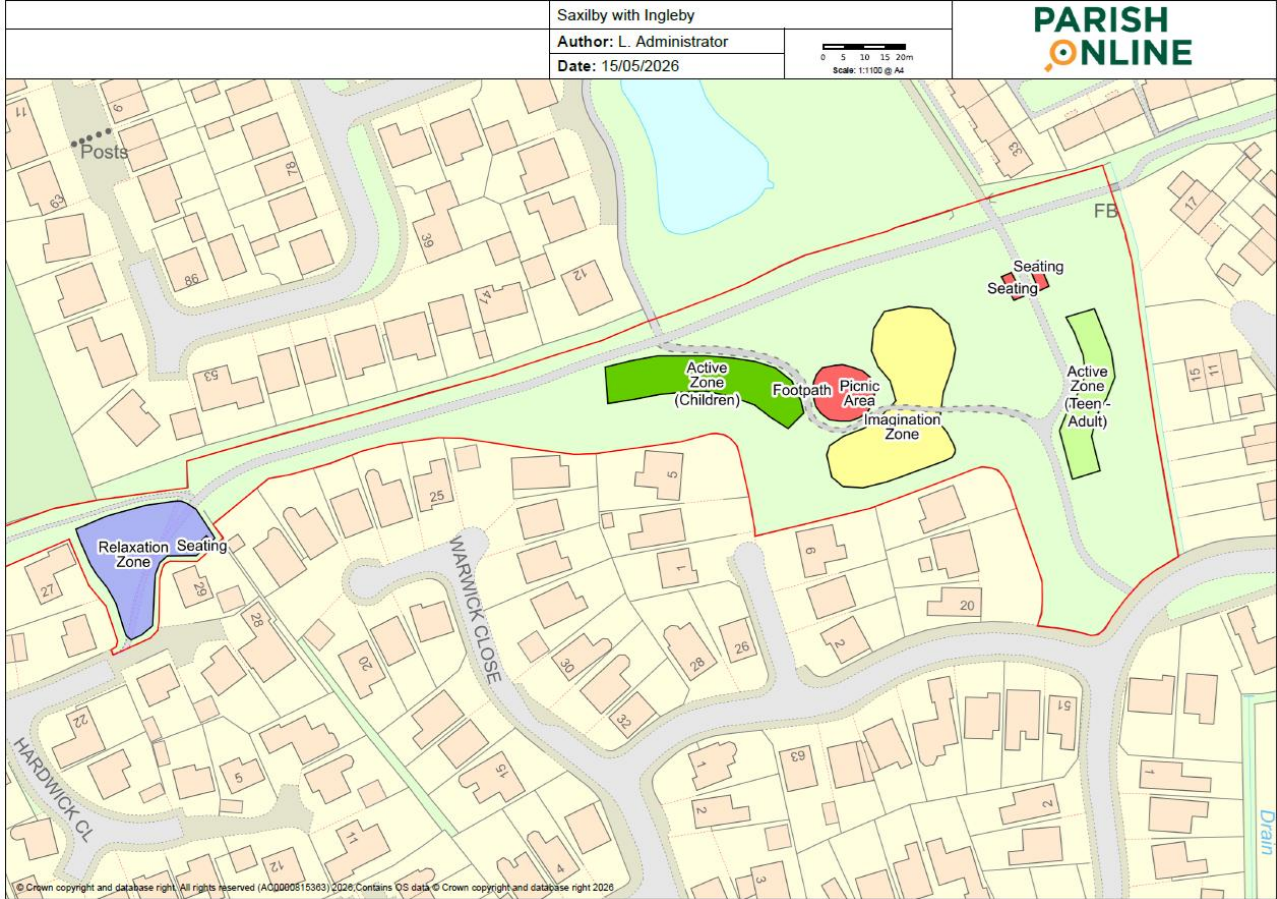
The consultation demonstrated strong support for providing more opportunities for children's play and fitness and for preserving the natural and peaceful character of the green space. The recommended approach is therefore to divide the site into complementary linked areas, each designed for a different purpose, so that a range of users can enjoy the space without one use dominating another or creating conflict.

The zones are:

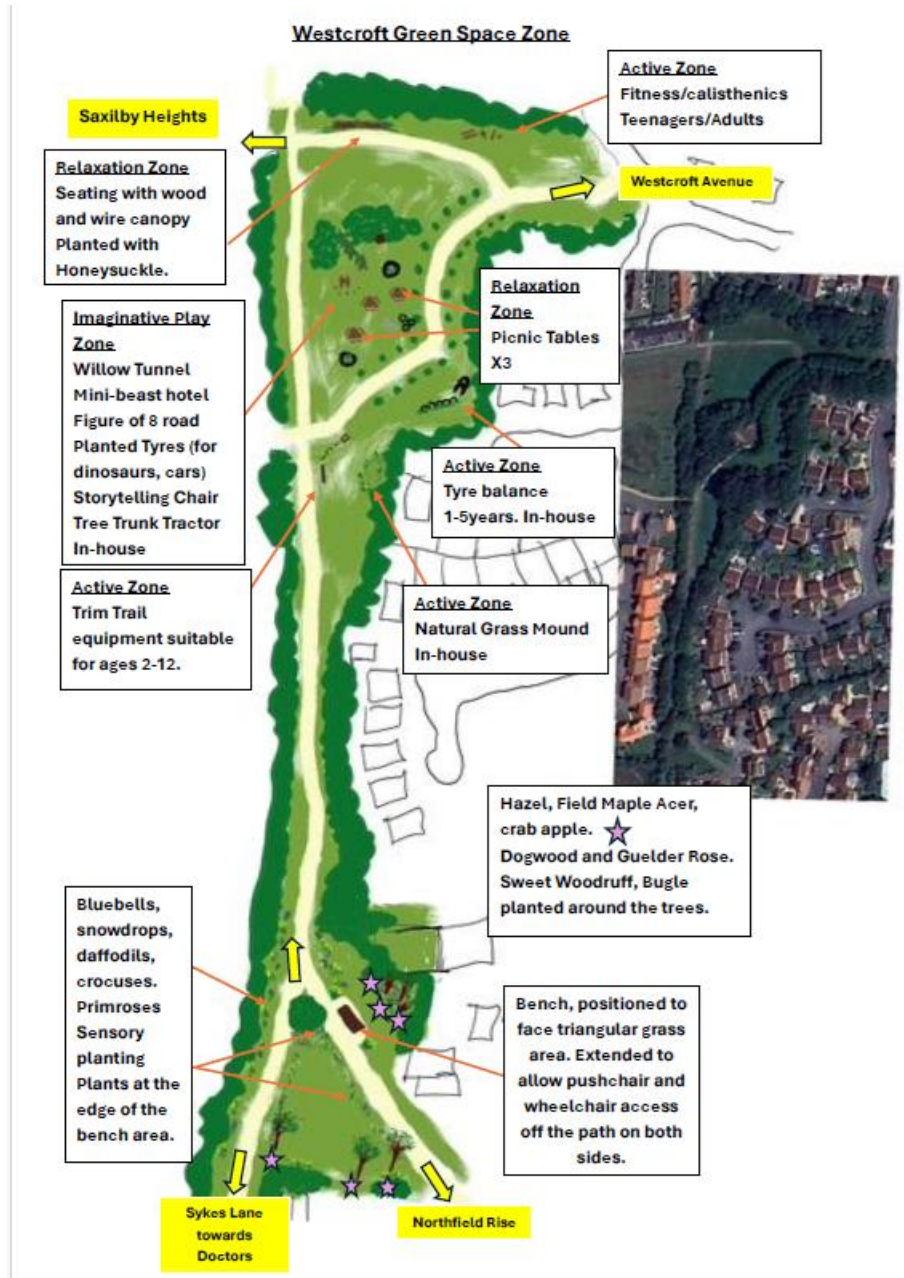
1. Active Zones (for play and fitness)
2. A Relaxation Zone (including seating and sensory planting)
3. An Imaginative Play Zone

The Active Zone would be designed and installed by a contractor, whilst the council would develop the relaxation and imaginative play areas directly, alongside community volunteers.

Overall Site Zone Indicative Sketch of Areas



Site Sketch with further details



Relaxation Zone Visual

Westcroft Green – Relaxation Zone 1

