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Welsh Government

Appendix 3

Play Sufficiency Action Plan 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

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Date of completion:	April 2021



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Actions to be taken to address the issues / shortcomings recorded in the Play Sufficiency Assessment

Proposed actions for the period of 1 April 2021 – 31 March 2022

Matter	Priorities	Targets	Links to other Matters	Resources, including costs	Funding source (new or existing funding streams)
Statutory Guidance-policy framework	Maintain and review the Play Action Plan	<p>Keep the Play Action Plan under review with reports to Children & Young People’s Select / Cabinet as necessary</p> <p>Recommence the new play strategy group as a sub group of the Children and Young People’s Partnership with a focus on the preparation of the new Play Sufficiency Assessment for submission to WG by June 2022</p>	All matters	Core MCC / partners	Core MCC
Matter A: Population	Using available data to contribute to a better understanding of the demand for, and sufficiency of play opportunities	Maintain progress, including working across services, with schools, town and community councils; sharing existing data, building a fuller picture of existing provision and the play workforce.		Core MCC / partners	Core MCC / partners
Matter B: Providing for diverse needs	Seek to gain a better understanding of the local demand for, and sufficiency of play opportunities for diverse needs groups	Continue to adopt a more integrated approach across the authority to join up provision and ensure the needs of children with disabilities and/or families with diverse needs are better supported to access play opportunities.		Core MCC	Core MCC
Matter C: Space available for children to play	Review our overall approach to fixed play provision and the opportunities for play within open spaces	<p>Implement the pilot fixed play / local places for nature scheme in Monmouth.</p> <p>Consider the extension of this approach to other communities and undertake preliminary work to support it</p> <p>Continue to incorporation play assessments based on the revised approach agreed by Cabinet</p>	Matter F	<p>£87,000</p> <p>Core MCC</p>	<p>WCVA Local Places for Nature Preparatory Grant</p> <p>Core MCC</p>

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		<p>in January 2021 into Green Infrastructure comments on planning applications</p> <p>Deliver the destination play area at Chippenham Fields, Monmouth in 2021</p> <p>Consider and seek funding for further improvement schemes</p> <p>Continue to support Playing Out (encouraging street play in communities) with interested parties; supporting and enabling wider community action.</p>		<p>£141,000</p> <p>Core MCC</p> <p>Core MCC</p>	<p>MCC/Section 106 Funding</p> <p>Core MCC/ Monmouth Town Council and WVAONB SDF Grant</p> <p>Core MCC</p>
Matter D: Supervised provision	Continue to build on the community play framework for open access play provision	<p>Direct delivery of open access playscheme / School Holiday Enrichment Programme (SHEP) in Summer 2022 and Holiday Playworks provision over the school October half term period</p> <p>Continue to promote the importance of participation in play and active sports and continue to develop young people as sports ambassadors through schools and local voluntary clubs (Including links to the Monmouthshire Games, Playmakers and Positive Futures programmes and the wider youth offer)</p> <p>Deliver supervised play opportunities for primary aged children over the other school holidays (Subject to prevailing Covid restrictions)</p>		Core MCC	<p>Core MCC</p> <p>Partnership and external grant bids for 21/22: Town & Community Councils, Families First, SHEP (WLGA) etc.</p> <p>Welsh Govt Holiday Playworks funding</p>
Matter E: Charges for play provision	<p>Enhance our information base, including building a fuller picture of existing provision.</p> <p>Develop the community play framework for free open access play provision</p>	<p>As Matter A above</p> <p>As Matter D above</p>	Matter A & D	Core MCC	Core MCC

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<p>Matter F: Access to space/provision</p>	<p>Improve our information base and fully integrate these measures and to better understand the local barriers to play for children and young people so we can increase access to play opportunities</p> <p>Information, publicity and events</p>	<p>Continue to engage with children, young people and parents to better identify the limiting factors & barriers to accessing play opportunities,</p> <p>Coordinating with promotion of the wider youth offer and the Family Information Service</p>	<p>Matter C</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>
<p>Matter G: Securing and developing the workforce</p>	<p>Enhance our information base, including building a fuller picture of existing provision and the play workforce</p> <p>Develop the community play framework for open access play</p>	<p>To form part of the approach to Matter A above</p> <p>As Matter D above</p>	<p>Matter A & D</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>
<p>Matter H: Community engagement and participation</p>	<p>Develop the community play framework for open access play provision</p> <p>Support and enable wider community action to enhance play opportunities</p>	<p>As Matter D above</p> <p>Consider the options for producing nature-themed play packs in summer or autumn 2021, plus working with Behavioural Change Officer (Resilient Greater Gwent) and liaison with voluntary groups</p> <p>Continue to support Playing Out (encouraging street play in communities) with interested communities; support and enable wider community action to enhance play.</p>	<p>Matter D</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>
<p>Matter I: Play within all relevant policy and implementation agendas</p>	<p>Identify better links and integration with other programmes and partnerships through the Play Strategy Group</p>	<p>Complete the new Play Sufficiency Assessment to allow member consideration in Spring 2022 and submission to WG by the statutory deadline of June 2022</p>	<p>Matter A</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>	<p>Core MCC</p>