

**MINUTES of the Play Area Working Party of Melksham Without Parish Council held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014 at Crown Chambers at 12.30pm**

**Present:** Cllrs. Richard Wood (Chair), John Glover (Vice-chair), Terry Chivers, Ian Tait, Greg Coombes.

Cllr Paul Carter attended as an observer

**Apologies:** Cllr Jan Chivers & Pat Nicol

- 255/14 **Declarations of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest made.
- 256/14 **Shaw Play Area:** The Group considered and discussed the report prepared by the Finance Assistant with options available for the repair, refurbishment and replacement of equipment and surfacing, following the ROSPA report and Site Meeting (6<sup>th</sup> October).  
**Recommended:** *The Council hold a consultation event at the Shaw Play area during the half term holiday on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October from 10am to 12pm. The Play Area Working Party to meet again on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November to review the residents' views.*
- 257/14 **Beanacre Play Area:** The Group discussed the options available to fill the expansion gaps between the outer edge of the Safety Surfacing and the grass area.  
**Recommended:** *The Parish Caretaker continue to fill the gaps with soil and grass seed.*
- 25814 **Health & Safety issues:** The Clerk advised on a couple of Health & Safety aspects following HR training recently attended.  
**Recommended:** *The Council conduct a DBS (previously known as CRB) check for the Parish Caretaker as he regularly works in the play area. The Clerk to reiterate how to safely work at height to the Parish Caretaker as the main cause of accidents in the workplace.*

Meeting closed at 1.30 pm

Chairman, 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2014