



Guilden Sutton Green Space

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Summary of Launch Event

A drop-in evening to launch Guilden Sutton Green Space was held on Thursday 8th November, from 6.30 to 9.00 pm, at Guilden Sutton village hall.

Approximately 110 people of all ages visited the event, representing 55 separate households, and in total 178 residents.

Visitors viewed maps showing possible locations for the proposed green space together with the winning design ideas from children at Guilden Sutton Primary School, talked to members of the Green Space steering group, and shared their ideas.

The general feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

Individual questions were mostly about the possible location, the current financial position, how more money could be raised in the future, the potential uses of the green space, and how ongoing management could be covered.

One or two visitors raised concerns. These related to additional on-road parking which could be a nuisance to other residents, and the possibility of individually rented allotments becoming unsightly and detracting from the communal nature of the green space.

A small number of written comments were given. These are detailed below

Visitors were asked to participate in an 'exit poll', answering two questions, with the following results:

I/we support the idea of a new community green space in Guilden Sutton

YES = 55 households (one of which specified a preference for one location over the other)

NO = 0 households

I/we would like Guilden Sutton Parish Council to make a contribution, from parish funds, towards the project on behalf of the village

YES = 54 households (1 household gave no response)

NO = 0 households

Following the event there are now a total of 100 households (out of 660) on the project mailing list. These households represent approximately 300 residents.

The following pages contain photographs, feedback, and input from the children at Guilden Sutton Primary School.

Launch Event Photographs



Steering group members Matthew Jessop and Derek Hughes discuss the project with local MP Chris Matheson



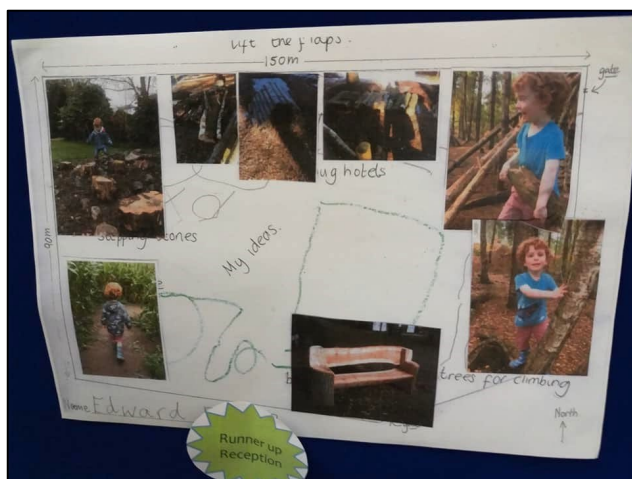
Winning designers from Guilden Sutton Primary School receive their prizes



Local ward Councillor Margaret Parker with steering group member Sarah Jessop



Primary School Green Space Designs and Ideas



Our ideas for Gudden Sutton Green space

- Walking and bike paths
- Cafe
- Running track
- Slide and swings
- Climbing net
- Pergola
- Stage
- Stone BBQ
- Owl box
- Bee friendly flowers
- Exotic plants
- Vegetable patch
- Climbing frame
- Strawberry picking
- Croquet
- Pirate ship
- Benches for old people
- Vegetable patch
- An allotment for everyone
- Skate park
- Wood sculpting area
- Toddling area
- Open air theatre
- Stick village
- Relax area
- Wooden train track
- Race track
- Gravel paths
- Goats
- Butterfly garden
- Treasure map
- Balancing beam
- BMX circuit
- Wheelchair park
- Wishing tree
- Long grass
- Monkey bars
- Log cabin
- Solar lights
- Teepee
- Assault course
- Drinking fountain
- Teenager area
- Donation cafe
- Zip line
- Palm trees
- Hammocks
- Wooden playground
- Forest
- Bee hives
- A woodland walk
- Picnic areas
- Toddler playground
- Bug hotels
- Sandpit
- Stepping stones
- Flower beds
- Bat hotel
- Maze
- Tree house
- A love tree
- Trees to climb
- Hedgehog home
- Ponds
- Benches
- A wicker play village
- Wild flowers
- A friendship area (for when you are alone)
- Playhouse
- Dens
- Greenhouse
- Bird feeders
- Toilets
- Bins
- Flower path
- Lake
- Cows
- Rabbits
- Pigs
- Snack bar
- Dog field
- Japanese garden
- Obstacle course
- Log cabin
- Eco play area
- Camp fire
- Pipes-for rabbits and fun!
- A calm bridge (for wildlife)
- Natural materials
- Bowling green
- Mud play patch
- Chess boards
- Wishing well
- Hollow wood tunnels
- Stream
- Orchard
- Allotments
- Recycling bins
- Outdoor movie screen
- Basketball
- Fire pit
- Water to wash your feet in!

Written Feedback

I/we would love an enclosed dog-walking area. This would prevent people letting dogs off the lead in areas used by children and reduce fouling problems.

Also there is currently nowhere safe to let dogs off the lead with no risk from traffic.

Love the idea of community allotments – great for physical and mental health. Definitely a need for a play area for older children to play in.

Concern about traffic and child safety going to Belle Vue Lane fields. Even Guilden Sutton bus goes down the lane sometimes.

[School Lane] an ideal location for a 'wild community space' – pond, bat/bird boxes, climbing/play space using wood? Maybe access via marked footpath [marked on map using existing track]

If there was a childrens' play area could we make it out of old cut logs – similar to Wolf's Den at Erddig? Would fit with the green space ethos.

This location [Belle Vue Lane] close to the highways depot might face a lot of air pollution?

Suggestions made via the 'doodle board'

Pond
Wildlife
Benches
Swings
Bonfire
Fireworks
Bird-boxes
Hedgehog houses

