Windmill Street Park and Playing Field
Masterplan

Historical Notes:

King George's Playing Field was named and formalised circa 1964 as one of 471 playing fields established to commemorate the reign of King George V (1910 - 1936). The project was stopped during World War II and resumed in the mid-sixties. Up until this point the site had been known as Brick Field or locally as 'the tip'. There is no evidence that the site was ever officially a tip and was likely a nick name.

Early records show the site and wider local area as common land known in Macclesfield as 'the Wild West'. During the 18th century the land began to be developed and exploited for coal, clay and other ores. The area saw a rise in light industry and workers cottages being developed.

Windmill Street gained its name from a Windmill built during this period to grind copper ore mined locally.

Later in this period our site became a clay pit and by 1871 a brick works is shown on OS maps. It is not known when the brick works closed but the buildings were not demolished until between 1955 and 1986. It is believed the demolished buildings were used to infill the clay pits.

The playing fields boundary is largely unchanged from this point and some earlier stone walls can still be seen on Black Road.

The distinct level changes on the site indicate how the hillside was cut into to remove the clay.

This proposal aims to further enhance the existing site by improving access to the facilities and its biodiversity for the continued enjoyment of the local and wider community.

Key Features

- Cloudyway footpath
- New main entrance
- Outdoor gym
- Picnic bench
- Wild flower bank
- retiring popular equipment
- Retaining popular equipment.

Planting

- Bulb planting - for picking
- Wildflower meadow
- Crown lift trees
- Mixed bulb planting

Furniture and Materials Palette

- Traditional timber seating
- Interpretation/information boards

Play Area Refurbishment

- Early years play
- Challenging and exciting junior play
- Inclusive play
- Refurbish popular existing equipment

Key:

- Site boundary
- Main entrance
- Proposed circular footpath
- Maintenance gate
- Existing race wall (Black Road)
- Proposed basket seating (locally sourced stone)
- Extended pavement to play area
- Proposed outdoor gym
- Picnic bench
- Log long out
- Retained and enhanced BMX Track on site
- Replacement bins and improved signage
- Existing trees - retained and crown lifted

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Kompan Forest Play Equipment

- Nest + 2 Std Seats, Antiwrap
- Two Bay Swing, H=2.5m, ø100cm Birds
- PCM002500

Kompan Universe Play Equipment

- Inclusive play
- Early years play
- Challenging and exciting junior play
- Refurbish popular existing equipment

Kompan Bridge Play Equipment

- Bridge, Concentrating on the wobbly walk over to the 4th platform
- The ground, if the child hasn’t already embarked on wackle track
- Where a dare devil fireman’s pole takes the child back to
- A climb with friends and leads to the 3rd platform, from
- The side of this tower, a net with varied mesh sizes invites for
- The net can lead down. This also provides an alternative climb
- Banister bars lead to the ground, or the big, curved tower
- Its way to the next platform. From here challenging
- Level, a popular loop of play. Alternatively, the child can
- Go
- Children can begin by taking the sturdy climbing wall with
- Interaction made ample space for
- Courtyard of play on more levels, with a lot of balancing, physical play to make them happy. This four tower
- To school age children, there is nothing like varied,
- Junior play.

Kompan School Age Play Equipment

- KOMPAN swings can be configured to adapt individual
- Suspension. The modular swing system also enable
- Offer standard swing seat, cradle seat, toddler seat or bird
- Wood, hardwood or hot dip galvanized steel. As seats we
- Annealed steel cable
- Novelty swing set
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Kompan Freestanding Play Equipment

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