Acton Parish Council

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Members of the Parish Council:

You are summoned to the Meeting of Acton Parish Council, which will take place on **Wednesday 19**th **November 2025**, beginning at 7pm at Acton Village Hall for the purpose of transacting the business below.

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Abbie Lee, Clerk

Members of the Public:

Council meetings are not public meetings; they are meetings conducted in public. Members of the public have a statutory right to attend the meetings of the Council as observers. Attendees are requested to notify the Chairman of any intention to film, photograph or record during the meeting. Members of the public may be excluded by a resolution of the meeting for specific items which need to be discussed in confidence.

There is a public forum of up to 10 minutes within the meeting for members of the public and/or press to speak in respect of any items on the agenda. Members of the public should raise their hand and the Chairman will call them to speak. The Council's Standing Order limits each individual's contribution to three minutes. Issues should not be discussed immediately or responded to unless the Chairman authorises. Matters raised may be added to the agenda for a future meeting. The Council will also provide an opportunity for County and District Councillors to deliver any reports during the public forum.

Agenda

Apologies

1 To receive Councillor apologies and consider whether to approve reasons for absence.

Minutes

2 To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 15th October 2025. To be signed by the Chairman.

Declarations of interest

- 3.1 Councillors are reminded to update their Declaration of Interests on Babergh District Council's website in accordance with Acton Parish Council's Code of Conduct.
- 3.2 To consider any written requests for dispensation received by the Clerk prior to the commencement of the meeting.

Clerk's Report

- 4.1 To receive the Clerk's report on any significant matter or items of correspondence not on the agenda and not already drawn to the Cllrs' attention (Appendix 1).
- 4.2 To receive the Clerk's report on any decisions taken under delegated powers since the last meeting.

Public Forum (item 5.3 limited to 10 minutes)

5.1 Report by County Councillor

- 5.2 Report by District Councillors
- 5.3 Members of the public

Planning

- 6.1 To consider planning applications and resolve to submit comments where appropriate. Please note that any applications received following the issue of this agenda will be considered.
 - a) DC/25/04923: Laburnum Cottage, High Street, Acton, Sudbury Suffolk CO10 0AJ Householder Application Erection of two storey side extension, single storey side and rear extension plus front porch addition. Consultation deadline 3rd December 2025.
- 6.2 To note planning application validations, Parish Council recommendations and local planning authority decisions made since the last meeting (Appendix 2).

Governance

7 To approve SALC as the 2025-26 internal auditor at a cost of £342 (no VAT applied) and authorise the Clerk to issue a letter of engagement.

Acton Field Trust

8 To receive an update report from Acton Field Trust.

Environment

- 9.1 To approve the purchase of a high vis jacket for the Speedwatch team. £11.25 including VAT from Simply Hi Vis Clothing UK.
- 9.2 To consider the following three quotations and designs received and select a contractor for the supply and installation of upgraded play equipment to the Lime Tree Green play area and removal of the equipment it is replacing:
- a Playdale: Prices held until 30th November, as price increases from 1st December. Quoted price £36,456.70 excl VAT. Quote includes welfare facilities (Appendix 5).
- b Absolute Play: £46,815.63 excl VAT. Welfare services are an additional £250 excl VAT (Appendix (6).
- c Mortimer Contracts £40,450 excl VAT (Appendix 7). Cost for welfare services not provided.
- 9.3 To approve the Lime Tree Green play area upgraded equipment to be funded by three sources: grant funding, CIL funds, and reserves.
- 9.4 To consider any other environmental or rights of way issues and to consider approving any work arising.

Emergency Plan Working Group

10 To receive an update from the Emergency Plan Working Group.

Finance

- 11.1 To review and approve items of expenditure for October and payments to be made before the next meeting (last page of agenda).
- 11.2 To approve renewal of Parish Online subscription for £65 excl VAT (Appendix 3).
- 11.3 To review and comment on the draft 2026/27 budget (Appendix 4), which will be finalised for agreement at the January meeting.
- 11.4 To approve the Clerk's homeworking allowance to be paid via standing order instead of bank transfer.
- 11.5 To approve the Village Hall Charity Manager grant to be paid via standing order instead of bank transfer.

Training

- 12.1 To note the Clerk will register with SALC for the Certificate in Local Council Administration (CiLCA) training to commence in February 2026, as per the Clerk's contract of employment, noting the course fees are as follows:
 - Introduction to CiLCA (compulsory): £40 excl VAT
 - Registration fee to SLCC: £495 (no VAT applied)
 - Units 1-5 £65 per unit excl VAT
- 12.2 To approve five hours' salary per month for six months for the Clerk while studying for CiLCA, noting the expected study time is typically 200 hours over 12 months.

Community Christmas Event

13 To receive an update from the working group.

Items for Future Agendas

14 Councillors may use this opportunity to report on meetings attended, agree attendance at forthcoming meetings, add future agenda items, and report matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda.

Closed Session

- 15.1 To resolve to go into closed session, which excludes members of the public.
- 15.2 Under closed session to review the recent correspondence from a resident and consider invoking the Unreasonable or Vexatious Behaviour Policy.
- 15.3 Under closed session to consider and, if agreed, make changes to the employer's pension contributions for the Clerk.

Abbreviations:

Cllrs(s): Councillor(s)

CiLCA: Certificate in Local Council Administration

SLCC: Society of Local Council Clerks

SALC: Suffolk Association of Local Councils

Payments made under delegated powers or Financial Regulation 4.1 since the last meeting:

•	Ebay: Santa suit for Community Christmas event	£89.99
•	Poppy Wreath for Remembrance Sunday	£29.49
•	Postage for VAT refund forms	£1.55
•	Postage for allotment rent invoices	£14.79

Payments authorised for settlement before the next meeting:

- Direct debits, standing orders and other contractual payments approved by the Council
- Salaries and HMRC payments
- Payments arising from pervious Council decisions
- Payments authorised by the Clerk or Clerk and Chair under delegated powers or Financial Regulation 5.15

	le of Payments October 2				
Date	Description	Supplier / customer	Net	VAT	Total
		Acton Playing Fields and Village Hall	-1,375.00	0.00	-1,375.00
	October Refuse Collection	Litter picker	-91.67	0.00	-91.67
	Pension September	NEST	-191.50	0.00	-191.50
	Streetlight Maint Sept	Pearce and Kemp	-18.75	-3.75	-22.50
	Parish Mobile SIM	EE	-7.50	-1.50	-9.00
13/10/25	Donation	Scouts 1st Acton and Waldingfield	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
13/10/25	Donation	Acton Good Neighbours Scheme	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
13/10/25	Donation	East of England Ambulance (Sudbury F	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
13/10/25	Donation	Go Start	-100.00	0.00	-100.00
13/10/25	Donation	Headway Suffolk	-200.00	0.00	-200.00
13/10/25	Donation	Lighthouse Women's Aid	-100.00	0.00	-100.00
13/10/25	Donation	Rural Coffee Caravan	-100.00	0.00	-100.00
13/10/25	Donation	St Nicholas Hospice	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
13/10/25	Donation	Sudbury and District CAB	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
13/10/25	Donation	Sudbury Newstalk	-100.00	0.00	-100.00
	Parish Monthly SIM	EE	-6.75	-1.35	-8.10
	Poppy Wreath for Remembra		-29.49	0.00	-29.49
		Acton Good Neighbours Scheme	300.00	0.00	300.00
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	Donation	Lloyds Banking Group	-4.25	0.00	-4.25
	Donation	Acton Good Neighbours Scheme	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
		Acton Playing Fields and Village Hall	-36.00	0.00	-36.00
	Bus Shelter Panels	Leigh Martin/LM Groundcare	-75.00	0.00	-75.00
22/10/25	Allotment 7D Deposit Refund	Allotment 7D	-10.00	0.00	-10.00
22/10/25	Donation	Suffolk Accident and Rescue	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
22/10/25	Donation	Suffolk Wildlife Trust	-150.00	0.00	-150.00
22/10/25	Donation	The Family and Community Network	-300.00	0.00	-300.00
22/10/25	Postage	Post Office	-1.55	0.00	-1.55
	Electricity June-Sept	SSE Energy Solutions	-224.27	-11.21	-235.48
23/10/25		HMRC	-990.96	0.00	-990.96
	-	NEST			
	Pension October		-170.06	0.00	-170.06
27/10/25		Microsoft Limited	-10.08	-2.02	-12.10
	SLCC Annual Membership	Society of Local Council Clerks	-240.00	0.00	-240.00
27/10/25	Refund for Poppy Wreath	SP Poppy Shop	20.83	4.16	24.99
30/10/25	Annual Play Area Inspection	Babergh District Council	-69.92	-13.98	-83.90
30/10/25	Clerk Salary October	Clerk	-1,289.78	0.00	-1,289.78
30/10/25	Candles	Amazon Shenzhenshi Yuchen Shidai Sl	-45.26	-9.05	-54.31
30/10/25	Marshmallows	Amazon Dady Bros Ltd	-9.71	-1.94	-11.65
30/10/25	Hot Chocolate	Amazon - Silver Tree Books Limted	-16.66	-3.33	-19.99
31/10/25		Amazon - Electrix Direct Limited	-5.57	-1.12	-6.69
	Paper Cups	Amazon - JAIV LTD	-15.79	-3.16	-18.95
30/10/25		Amazon - Shenzhenshi shunfake keji yo	-58.27	-11.66	-69.93
	Santa Suit			0.00	
30/10/25	Santa Suit	Ebay	-89.99	0.00	-89.99
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	le of Receipts 2025				
Date	Description	Supplier / customer	Net	VAT	Tota
01/10/25	Allotment Rent 3D 4D	Allotment 3D 4D	15.00	0.00	15.00
01/10/25	Allotment Rent 8A 8B	Allotment 8A 8B	15.00	0.00	15.00
01/10/25	Allotment Rent 6D	Allotment 6D	7.50	0.00	7.50
	Allotment Rent 7C 7D	Allotment 7C 7D	15.00	0.00	15.00
	Allotment Rent 5B	Allotment 5B	7.50	0.00	7.50
	Allotment Rent 6C	Allotment 6C	7.50	0.00	7.50
		Allotment 2C			
	Allotment Rent 2C		7.50	0.00	7.50
	Allotment Rent 7B	Allotment 7B	7.50	0.00	7.50
	Allotment Rent 9D 10D	Allotment 9D 10D	15.00	0.00	15.00
		Allotment 8D	7.50	0.00	7.50
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08/10/25		Allotment /A Allotment 10C	7.50 7.50	0.00	7.50
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Appendix 1 Clerk's Report

Presented to the Parish Council at the meeting on 19th November 2025. Prepared on 13th November 2025.

Tasks Completed:

- Instructed John Doe to cut hedges on Barrow Hill.
- Contacted Wayne Hickford regarding PRoW2 and annual tidy of the Wildlife Reserve.
- Spoke to Roger Lane regarding a refresh of the village sign. He will look into sanding and staining options.
- Requested Suffolk Tree Services carry out a site visit to the churchyard to inspect the trees and advise what work needs to be carried out.
- Ordered hot chocolate, marshmallows, paper cups, napkins, lanterns and tea lights for Community Christmas event.
- Submitted documents for VAT refund.
- The Parish Noticeboard Company are running several weeks behind schedule and have waived the £75 (ecxl VAT) delivery charge as a gesture of goodwill.
- Wayne Hickford and Mortimer Contracts contacted to quote for clearance and maintenance work on PRoW2

Decisions taken under delegated authority:

- Ordered Santa Suit for Community Christmas event. Made decision to purchase rather than hire. £89.99 from Ebay.
- Ordered Poppy Wreath for Remembrance Sunday but it last year's wreath was found in storage at the church, therefore the order was returned and refunded less postage.

Outstanding Tasks:

- Order new defib pads for defibrillator outside shop, as due to expire in January 2026.
- Arrange sticker for dog bag dispenser. This was delayed to see if the problem persisted.
 It has.

APPENDIX 2: Planning Decisions

Presented to the Parish Council at the meeting on 19th November 2025 Prepared on 13th November 2025

DC/25/04923	Laburnum Cottage, High Street, Acton, Sudbury Suffolk CO10 0AJ					
	Householder Application - Erection of two storey side extension, single					
	storey side and rear extension plus front porch addition					
	Parish Council recommendation:	Comments by 3 rd December				
	Planning Authority decision:	Awaiting Decision				
DC/25/04281	Land North of Tye Farm House, Cuckoo	Tye, Long Melford, Sudbury				
	Proposal for full planning application fo	r change of use of part field to				
	enclosed secure dog walking and exerc	ise area, including a 1.50m high				
	wire fence and field gate.					
	Parish Council recommendation:	Support				
	Planning Authority decision:	Awaiting Decision				
DC/25/04188	The Brambles, Waldingfield Road, Acto	n, CO10 0AH				
	Erection of a single storey flat roof extension.					
	Parish Council recommendation:	Support				
	Planning Authority decision:	Awaiting Decision				
DC/25/04120	Albert E Webb and Son, Acton Place Inc	dustrial Estate, Acton, Sudbury,				
	CO10 0BB					
	Full planning application proposed Cla	ss B2 general purpose industrial				
	building including ancillary storage.					
	Parish Council recommendation:	Support				
	Planning Authority decision:	Approved				
DC/22/05231	Chilton Woods Mixed Development to N	North of Woodhall Business				
	Park					
	Application for approval of Reserved Ma	atters (matters relating to				
	appearance, scale, layout and landsca	ping) for Phase III				
	Parish Council recommendation:	Support				
	Planning Authority decision:	Awaiting decision				
DC/23/04007	Tamage Road Estate – Gym Trail					
	Application under S73a for the Remova	l or Variation of a Condition				
	following grant of DC/19/03126 dated 3	0.07.2020 and subsequent S73				
	DC/22/01674.					
	Parish Council recommendation:	Support				
	Planning Authority decision:	Awaiting decision				

Invoice

Appendix 3



Invoice number 42UB001-0009

Date of issue October 8, 2025

Date due November 7, 2025

Parish Online
PO Box 6987
Basingstoke
RG24 4HQ
United Kingdom
+44 1256 586980
support@parish-online.co.uk

Bill to
Acton Parish Council
United Kingdom
+44 7931 381751
clerk@actonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Acton Parish Council
101 Egremont Street
Glemsford
Sudbury Colchester
CO10 7SG
United Kingdom
+44 7931 381751

Ship to

£78.00 due November 7, 2025

Pay online

Alternative payment methods:

BANK TRANSFER

Name: Geoxphere Ltd | Sort Code: 09-01-29 | Account: 26025982 | Santander UK.

CHEQUE

Please make cheques payable to 'Geoxphere Ltd' and post to 'Parish Online, Church Cottage House, Church Square, Basingstoke, RG21 7QW'.

VAT Number: GB296312096

Description	Qty	Unit price	Tax	Amount
Parish Online - Mapping Software (per Year)	1	£100.00	20%	£100.00
Oct 8, 2025 – Oct 8, 2026			(on	
			£65.00)	
Early Adopter Discount (35% off)				-£35.00
	Subtotal			£65.00
	Total excluding tax			£65.00
	VAT (20% on £65.00)			£13.00
	Total			£78.00
	Amount due			£78.00

VAT Number: GB296312096

		ı	Projected	2026/27	2026/27	
Payments	Budget	Period Actual (Close	Proposed	Agreed	Reason
Administration						
Community Events	800.00	0.00	1,300.00	1,300.00		
Newsletter	600.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		Obsolete
Elections	100.00	0.00	0.00	100.00		Unlikely but still possible
Subscriptions	950.00	743.93	1,048.93	1,086.00		Annual price increases
Training and Publications	1,000.00	0.00	36.00	1,300.00		Clerk to do CiLCA and playground maintenance training
Audit	850.00	827.00	827.00	850.00		
Administration	3,500.00	707.54	1,700.00	2,000.00		
Room Hire	450.00	144.00	336.00	396.00		
Insurance	1,000.00	1,096.44	1,096.44	1,096.44		
Chairmans Expenses	60.00	0.00	40.00	50.00		
Bank Charges	0.00	25.50	51.00	51.00		_
Total Administration	9,310.00	3,544.41	6,435.37	8,229.44	0.00	-)
Staff costs						-
Staff Costs	22,000.00	9,917.63	21,849.55	24,218.25		CiLCA Training @ 5 hrs a month for 6 months, contractual pay increases & pension
Total Staff costs	22,000.00	9,917.63	21,849.55	24,218.25	0.00	-)
Environment						-
Paths Maintenance	300.00	0.00	500.00	500.00		Volunteers. Materials
Hedge and Tree Maintenance	3,000.00	1,525.00	5,000.00	5,000.00		Includes PRoW2, Jennens Way, Lime Tree Green hedges, and trees in cemetery
Other Environmental Costs	2,100.00	74.72	1,700.00	2,100.00		Includes Lime Tree Green grass cutting
Play Area Maintenance	2,300.00	2,975.00	3,275.00	4,000.00		Ageing equipment and high maintenance equipment
Refuse Collection	1,300.00	2,044.02	2,594.04	2,723.00		Increase in Babergh collection charges. New bins added to collection.
Health and Safety Inspections	100.00	0.00	86.76	100.00		
Wildlife Reserve	1,500.00	37.55	932.00	1,200.00		
SIDS and Village Maintenance	3,500.00	240.71	2,140.71	2,247.00		LM Groundcare. STC for SIDS
	14,100.00	6,897.00	16,228.51	17,870.00	0.00	
Street lighting						
Streetlighting - Electricity	1,800.00	521.31	1,042.62	1,250.00		Lower Electricity Costs
Streetlight - Maintenance	300.00	785.29	1,000.00	1,500.00		Ageing equipment
Total Street lighting	2,100.00	1,306.60	2,042.62	2,750.00	0.00	
Other						
Grants	7,000.00	8,360.00	9,735.00	5,500.00		£5500 APFVH Charity manager
Closed Churchyard Maintenance	1,100.00	0.00	1,113.00	1,152.00		
Allotments	100.00	10.00	20.00	100.00		
Donations	3,500.00	350.00	3,550.00	3,550.00		
Fixed Assets	1,800.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		Account code obsolete
CIL Funds	0.00	8,325.42	15,437.92	0.00		This includes £6000 for High St/Barrow Hill parking restrictions.
VAT on Payments (reserve items)	10,000.00	1,991.94	4,000.00	10,000.00		same as income - net zero
Total Other	23,500.00	19,037.36	33,855.92	20,302.00	0.00	<u>-</u>)
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Total Payments	71,010.00	40,703.00	80,411.97	73,369.69	0.00) -

		Period	Projected			
Receipts	Budget	Actual	Close			
Other Receipts						
VAT Repayments	10,000.00	0.00	13,381.99	10,000.00	9	Same as income - net zero
Community Infrastructure Levy	0.00	9,812.57	9,812.57	0.00		
Other Grants or Donations	350.00	0.00	4,000.00	0.00	1	Expecting £4000 from SCS in 2025-26 towards parkong restrictions
Allotment Rents	340.00	52.50	352.50	340.00		
Bank Interest	2,000.00	298.55	3,000.00	2,000.00	1	Fall in interest rates
Other Income	20.00	9.64	20.00	20.00		
Total Other Receipts	12,710.00	10,173.26	30,567.06	12,360.00	0.00	
Precept						
Precept	58,000.00	58,000.00	58,000.00			
Total Precept	58,000.00	58,000.00	58,000.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Receipts	70,710.00	68,173.26	88,567.06	12,360.00	0.00	

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APPENDIX 5



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Fiona Mullins
Acton Parish Council
c/o Abbie Lee
1 High Street
Acton
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Suffolk
CO10 OAN

Quotation Number: 0000105055 Quotation Date: 28-08-2025 Reference: 28395/SUF

Project for: Swings and Adventure Trail

Dear Fiona

Please find enclosed our proposals for your play project as discussed.

The equipment featured will challenge and entertain the intended age range; providing endless play value, while requiring minimum maintenance.

All our equipment meets the European safety standard BS EN 1176/1177, and we guarantee each item has been independently tested and awarded the prestigious Kitemark to ensure our equipment is the safest on the market.

At Playdale, we take great pride in our commitment to delivering exceptional customer service. Customer reviews have positioned us firmly in the world-class category for customer service, achieving a Net Promoter Score (NPS) of 82—significantly surpassing the benchmark of 70 that defines world-class standards. Encouraging our customers to share their feedback highlights our outstanding NPS and inspires our team to continue doing what we do best: making smiles. We're proud to be the best-rated playground company of 2024, based on customer reviews, thanks to the positive feedback we receive from our valued customers.

We hope you are now ready to begin your Playdale experience by placing an order based on the enclosed proposals. To do so, please complete the attached order form stating our quotation number and signing the plan (if applicable). Alternatively, if you would prefer to raise your own order, please ensure the quotation reference number is stated clearly on the form and that you have attached a copy of the signed plan to confirm your approval (if applicable).

If you wish to discuss any aspect of your play project or have questions regarding what happens next, please do not hesitate to contact me on 07879 607824 or by email at Dominic.Meylan@playdale.co.uk.

We look forward to working with you.

Yours sincerely

Dominic Meylan-Stevenson

Dominic Meylan-StevensonArea Sales Manager – East Anglia
Playdale Playgrounds Limited



















Your Quote

Quotation Number: 0000105055

Product Code	Product Name	Quantity	Unit Price	Total			
Important - This Quote is Subject to the Below Terms:							
https://lsbud.co. * The installation to keep any distu	* Equipment positioning is subject to receiving service plans (gas/electric/water/phone etc) - Please visit https://lsbud.co.uk or consult your Playdale Area Sales Manager for further details. * The installation costs assume access to site across good ground conditions. Our Installation Team will endeavour to keep any disturbance of the area to a minimum whilst accessing the play area. Should remedials be required to this access ie. making good grass, further costs may be incurred.						
	Equipn	nent					
csw/s	Timber Cradle Swing - SGF* (Including 2 No. Cradle Seats)	1.00	1,995.00	1,995.00			
TJS	Timber (Single Bay) Junior Swing Frame Only with Shackles – SGF*	1.00	1,695.00	1,695.00			
SEAT1	Flat Seat & Chains for Junior Swing Frame	2.00	195.00	390.00			
TTS	Timber Team Swing Frame Only with Shackles – SGF*	1.00	1,995.00	1,995.00			
SEAT8	Green Team Swing Seat & Chains for Team Swing Frame	1.00	1,499.00	1,499.00			
WBD	Timber Wobble Board - SGF*	1.00	1,085.00	1,085.00			
STR/1/S	Timber Striding Stilt- 1 Stilt- SGF*	4.00	334.00	1,336.00			
RRP/S	Timber Roll n Rope - SGF*	1.00	1,367.00	1,367.00			
CBM/S	Timber Cross Beams - SGF*	1.00	826.00	826.00			
CMB/4/S	Timber Combo 4 - BB/TT/BB - SGF*	1.00	1,297.00	1,297.00			
INT/S	Timber Intertwine - SGF*	1.00	1,545.00	1,545.00			
NBR/S	Timber Net Bridge - SGF*	1.00	1,524.00	1,524.00			
SLZ/S	Timber Zig Zag Stilts - SGF*	1.00	1,198.00	1,198.00			
	Surfac	cing					
PBRM05	Green/Brown Bonded Rubber Mulch 1.6cfh	111.00	82.00	9,102.00			
	Ancillary	Items					
DEL008	Removal of foundation spoil, pallets, packaging and general rubbish.	1.00	478.40	478.40			
DEL010	Container for on-site storage	1.00	925.00	925.00			



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DEL011	Welfare Facilities	1.00	350.00	350.00
	Delivery & In	stallation		
DEL0002	Delivery & Installation	1.00	7,432.00	7,432.00
SUBB021	MOT Type 1 stone subbase to a compacted depth as specified on site plan or in specific surfacing preparation specifications.	0.50	712.99	356.49
DEL005	Cut off at Ground Level of adventure trail, cradle swing, Junopr Swing and timber climber	1.00	1,845.00	1,845.00
		NET	GBP 38,240.90	
		Less Discount	GBP 1,775.20	
		Total NET	GBP 36,465.70	

All the above prices are subject to VAT and are valid for a period of one month.

Standard payment terms are as follows:

- 50% deposit paid within 7 days of placing an order for installations.
- 100% deposit paid within 7 days of placing an order for delivery only.

Please refer to our standard Terms & Conditions and our Additional Information.

Finance packages are available.

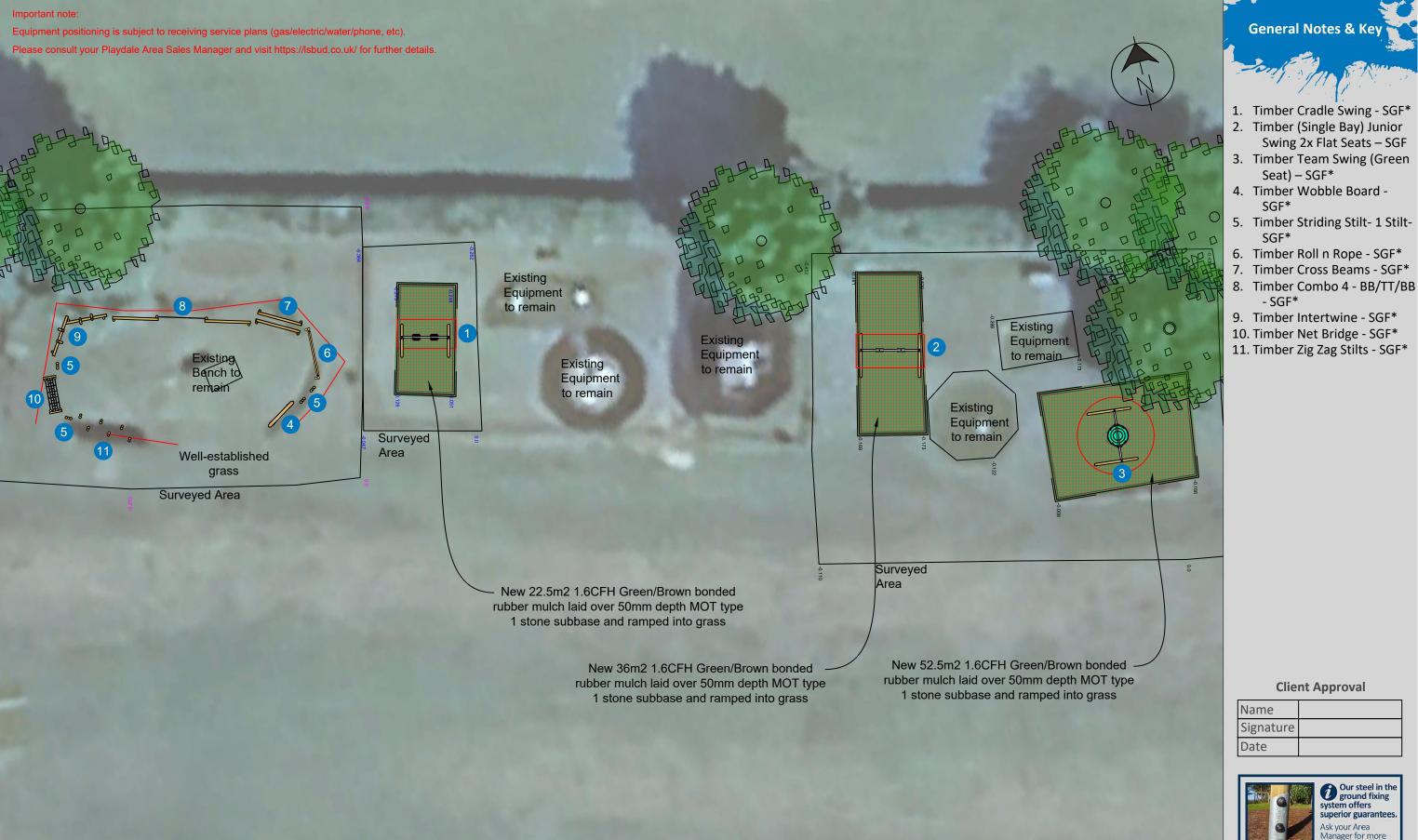
Definitions & abbreviations

SGF* Steel Ground Fixed - steel plates are concreted into holes in the ground to which timber is fixed.

TGF* Timber Ground Fixed - timbers are concreted into holes in the ground.

SF* Surface Fixed - equipment is bolted directly on top of concrete.

Subject to a site survey. If we have been unable to fully survey your site, your quotation will be 'subject to a full or further site survey.' This will only apply if Playdale are carrying out the delivery & installation and may mean that all associated/necessary works have not been specified or priced.



Client Approval

General Notes & Ke

Swing 2x Flat Seats - SGF

Seat) - SGF*

- SGF*



Proposed Play Area for:

Acton Parish Council - Swings and Adventure Trail

Scheme No: 28395/SUF Date: 28/08/25 Drawn by: KM

1:200 @ A3











Acton Parish Council - CO10 0AT

Absolute Play Reference: NP107

24 October 2025

Acton Parish Council Acton Village Hall Acton Sudbury CO10 0AT

APPENDIX 6

24 October 2025

Quote Ref: NP107

Dear Abbie,

Re: Outdoor developments - Playground Revamp

Thank you for inviting Absolute play to submit quote options for the exciting redevelopment of the outdoor play space at Acton Parish Council. Following our discussions, I believe we have developed an innovative solution that will deliver a stunning, engaging and future-proof play resource. I am delighted to attach your quotation.

We will be looking to replace the tired, old equipment and replace them with something new and excited for children of all ages and abilities to enjoy whilst visiting the playground. The new equipment will include Nest Swings, a Toddler Swing, a Standard Swing and a linked Trim Trail. All of these incredible new play items will also have now safety surfacing, making them usable in all weathers and compliant to all legislations.

It is our intention to be as transparent as possible, at present our current lead times for installations sit at approximately 6-12 weeks, however we will always endeavour to improve on this and will be certain to keep you fully up to date on the status of your project.

Please note: as funds are always precious, we would like to draw your attention to our terms and conditions, which can be found on our website at https://www.absoluteplay.co.uk/terms-and-conditions.

I will leave the quote with you for a couple of days to digest and follow up with a call, however if you need anything in the meantime, please contact me on 07802 455755.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

With kindest regards,

Neil Prickett Outdoor Play Expert

Tel: 07802 455755

Email: neil@absoluteplay.co.uk
Web: <u>www.absoluteplay.co.uk</u>





Acton Parish Council - CO10 0AT

Absolute Play Reference: NP107

24 October 2025

Supply, Install and Deliver:

	Item - Description	Quantity	Amount
1	Removal and disposal of the existing clamber stack and 45m2 of mulch surfacing @70mm	1	£2,240.00
2	Timber Group Swing	2	£7,302.40
3	MOT - Supply and Install: 49m2 of MOT type 1 (100mm) Including: - Excavate to appropriate level - Compacted crushed stone subbase - Layer of weed suppression membrane Regulating layer of Granodust (6mm to dust).	1	£2,058.00
4	Wet Pour Surfacing - Supply and Install: $49m2$ of Wetpour Surfacing ($50/50$ blend of light and dark green) at a depth for CFH 1.4m	1	£5,137.60
5	Removal and disposal of the existing steel double flat swing	1	£560.00
6	Timber Swing with x 2 Flat Seats 2.4m	1	£2,184.00
7	Wet Pour Surfacing - Supply and Install: $30m2$ of Wetpour Surfacing ($50/50$ blend of light and dark green). Please note that we will cut back the perimeter of the existing surface and then skim this over with $20mm$ wet pour, the surface will then meet the CFH of $1.4m$	1	£3,486.60
8	Removal and disposal of the existing Toddler Swings	1	£490.00
9	Timber Toddler Swing with x 2 Cradle Seats 2.0m	1	£2,952.60
10	Wet Pour Surfacing - Supply and Install: $18m2$ of Wetpour Surfacing ($50/50$ blend of light and dark green). Please note that we will cut back the perimeter of the existing surface and then skim this over with 20mm wet pour, the surface will then meet the CFH of $1.2m$. Price also includes the additional $1m2$ of MOT required to extend the surface area.	1	£2,921.10
11	Ball Maze NGP Play Panel 1200x800mm (recycled plastic square posts)	1	£756.00
12	Village Shop Play Panel 1200x800mm (recycled plastic square posts)	1	£602.00
13	Make it Rain NGP Play Panel 1200x800mm (recycled plastic square posts)	1	£903.00
14	Removal and disposal of the existing trim trail	1	£1,680.00
15	Linked Trail 6. Consists of: Double Balance Beam Rope Crossing Balance Beam Log Rope Rope Weaver Net Log Roll Jigsaw Traverse Wall	1	£8,029.00
16	Supply and Install: 96m2 of Rubber Safer Impact Grass Tiles - CFH 2m	1	£4,166.40
		1	£192.20





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Absolute Play Reference: NP107

24 October 2025

Delivery	1	£1,154.79
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	Total	£46,815.69

Additional Items for your Consideration:

1	Welfare (Porta Ioo.)	1	£250.00
2	Security Fencing to all areas. Panels + delivery & collection - 4 week minimum hire for 20 panels (estimate- fixed price on request)	1	£1,000.00
3	CAT Scan: pre-install ground survey including findings report	1	£875.00

Please note all prices are valid for 30 days, are subject to terms and conditions and excl VAT. A Reasonable Dig has been assumed.

Our price has been based on the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Payment terms 50% of the total project value to be on order and 50% paid 7 days post completion.
- 2. The quotation is valid for a period of 30 days.
- 3. Price has been based on unrestricted daily access to site, based on at least an 8-hour working day.
- 4. Acceptance of the quotation will not constitute a binding contract until confirmed by us in writing.
- 5. Assumes reasonable packages of work being carried out at each visit to site.
- 6. A minimum of six weeks' notice is required prior to commencement of each phase of works.
- 7. Our prices are based on the assumption that water will be available adjacent to the works for our free use.
- 8. Costs subject to agreement of detailed specification and approval of relevant bodies.
- 9. Assumes good access available for artics.
- 10. Assumes storage area will be made available within the site.
- 11. Site fencing beyond the construction period by others.
- 12. It is the responsibility of the client to ascertain the location of services which may conflict with the landscape works. If a <u>Preinstall CAT Scan survey is not selected</u>, we accept no responsibility for any damage to services the location of which are not advised to us in writing prior to the works commencing on site.
- 13. No allowance has been made for hard dig or the excavation of underground structures.
- 14. Any additional works not listed in this quotation will be charged at an extra cost. To be agreed in advance.
- 15. Assumes welfare facilities available for use during the construction period.
- 16. Assumes remedial works to access area to be seeded.
- 17. Unless otherwise stated it assumes all excavation and fill to formation levels by others.
- 18. Price excludes VAT







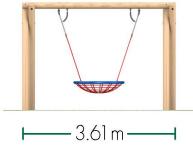
TIMBER GROUP SWING

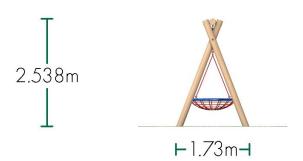


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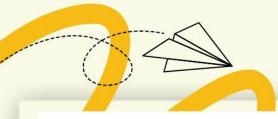
Length: 3600mm Width: 1730mm Height: 2538mm Free Fall Height: 1400mm

Safety Surfacing Area Required: 21m2 Safety Surface Area Dimensions: 7 x 3m









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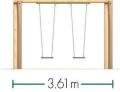
2.4M TIMBER SWING WITH 2 X FLAT SEATS



Dimensions

Length: 3600mm Width: 1730mm Height: 2538mm Free Fall Height: 1400mm

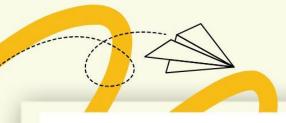
Safety Surfacing Area Required: 19.30m2 Safety Surface Area Dimensions: 6.7 x 2.88m













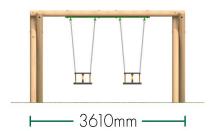
2M TIMBER TODDLER SWING



Dimensions

Length: 3600mm Width: 1424mm Height: 2138mm Free Fall Height: 1200mm

Safety Surfacing Area Required: 17.43m2 Safety Surface Area Dimensions: 6.052 x 2.88m





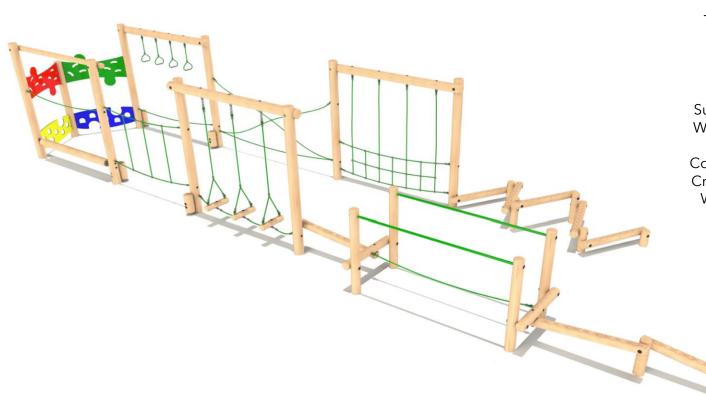








LINKED TRAIL 6



Dimensions

Trail Length: 14,042mm Trail Width: 4175mm Trail Height: 2500mm

Free Fall Height: 950mm

Surfacing Length: 17,037mm Surfacing Width: 7184mm Surface Area: 95.21m²

Consists of: Double Balance Beam Rope Crossing Balance Beam Log Rope Rope Weaver Net Log Roll Jigsaw Traverse Wall Tarzan Traverse Cross Rope Traverse Net Balance Slalom



APPENDIX 7



Telephone Numbers

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Colette: 07714 285639

Mortimer Contracts Limited

Nursery Farm Daws Cross

Bures Suffolk

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Vat Registration No: 803 9910 84

<u>mortimercontracts@outlook.com</u>

Date: 9th November 2025

Dear Abbie/Graham,

I give below details of our quotations for the new play equipment, I am also sending a plan and images.

The equipment I have quoted for is all on steel post feet, and comes with a 20 year guarantee. The laminate poles are 150mm versus Playdale's 140mm and are generally longer/larger equalling more play value. Playdale also use finger jointed boards to make up the laminate whereas these would be full length boards offering a more consistent quality.

To remove and dispose of old play equipment.

To supply and install new play equipment, which has been quoted on a like for like basis as per the Playdale design.

To supply and install resin mulch to cradle swings, flat swings and group swing.

To arrange post installation inspection and supply report

£40450 + VAT

(this would require a 60% advance deposit, the rest on completion)

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Chris Mortimer

Operational Play Inspector OP2022