

# Malling Rec Playground survey report

October 2023



## Background

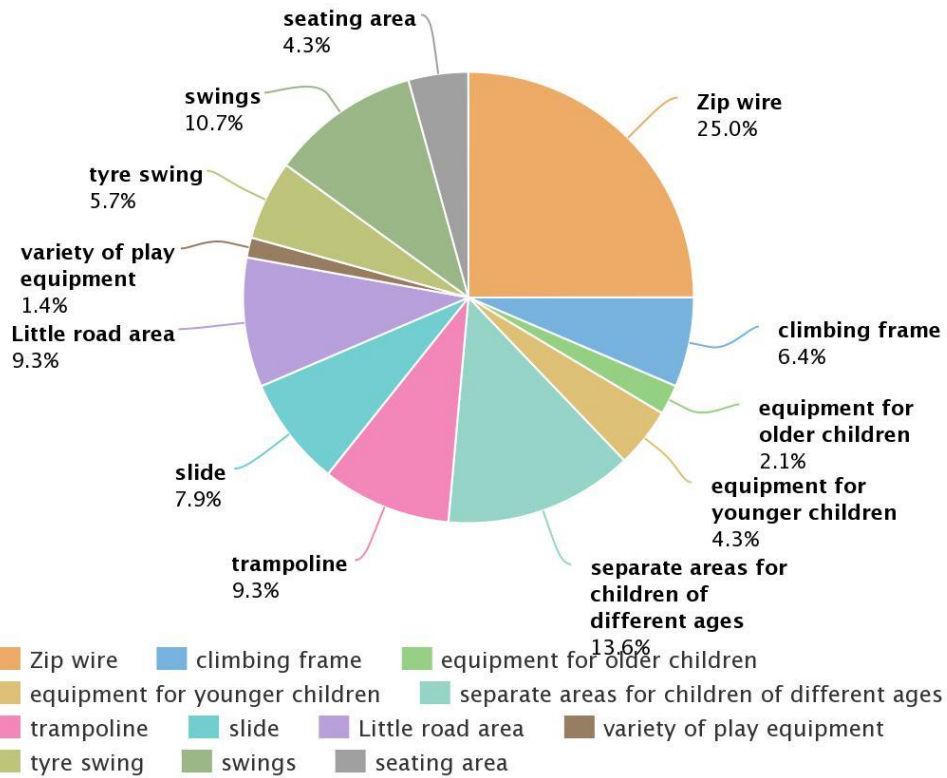
The council is investing £400,000 to upgrade play areas across Lewes district. The views received in the survey will help inform what new equipment will be installed. Residents and local children were asked their views on what improvements they would like to see at Malling Rec Playground.

The survey launched on 17 July 2023 and ended on 25 August 2023. The survey was widely publicised using posters in the local area, social media posts, the council website, by email to the council's mailing list, WhatsApp messages and to the local media via a press release.

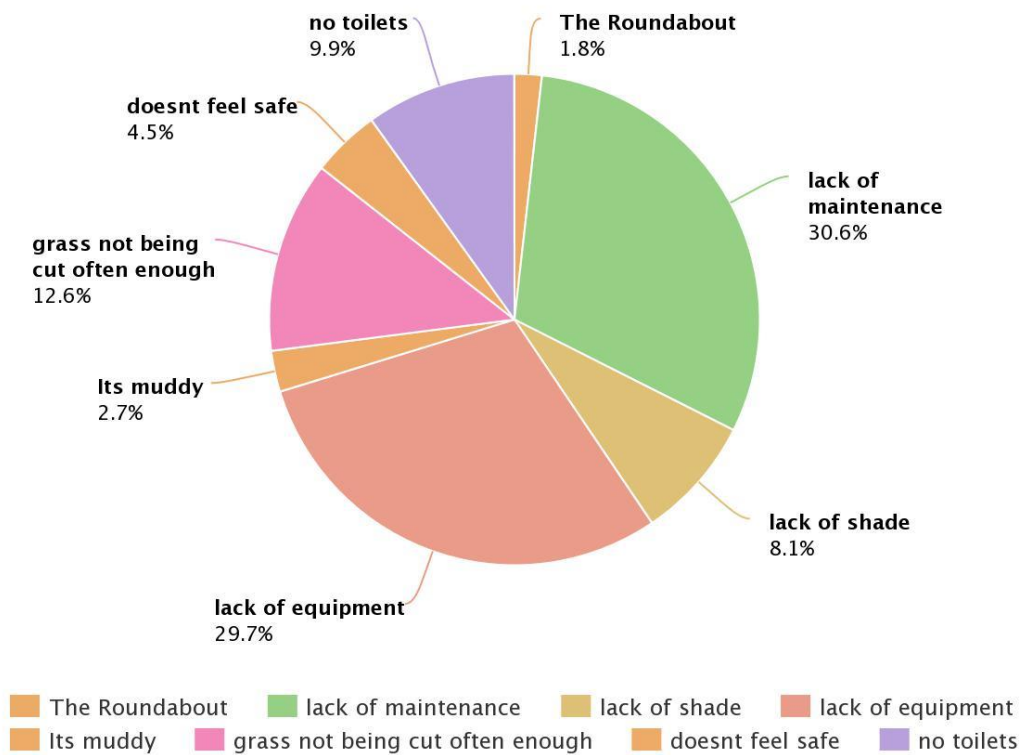
## Key findings

- 121 people responded to the survey.
- Many people would like to keep the separate areas for younger and older children.
- Parents of toddlers highlighted the road track as a great feature.
- The zip wire is very popular.
- People would like to see more play equipment, particularly sand pits and splash pads.
- Play equipment for older children was felt to be particularly important.
- People would like to see regular maintenance of play equipment, grass/vegetation maintenance and an increase in cleanliness of the site.
- Picnic benches, shade, toilet facilities and accessible play equipment are all facilities that makes a play area inclusive.

### 1. What do you like most about the play area?



## 2. What do you like least about the play area?

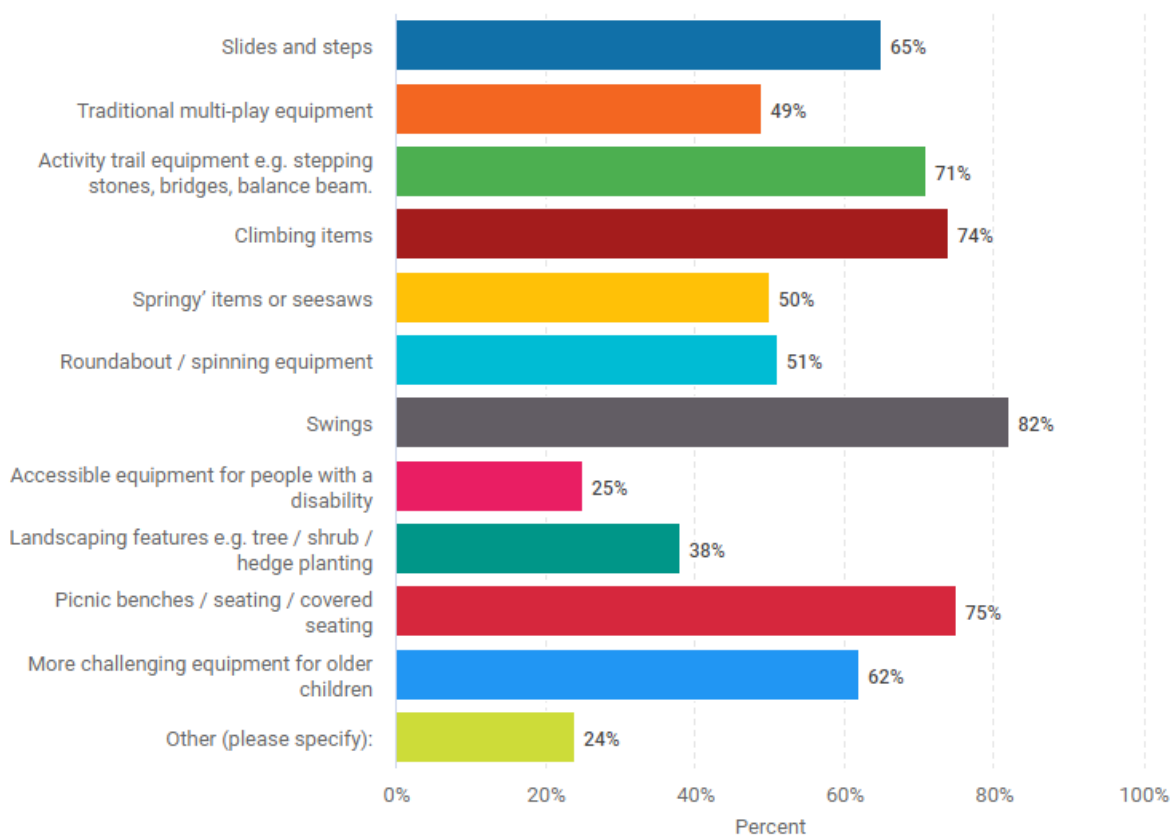


### 3. If you ever go to other playgrounds, which do you go to, and what do you like about them?

- 22 people visited Neville Park
- 22 people visited Ringmer Playground
- 27 people visited The Big Park, Peacehaven

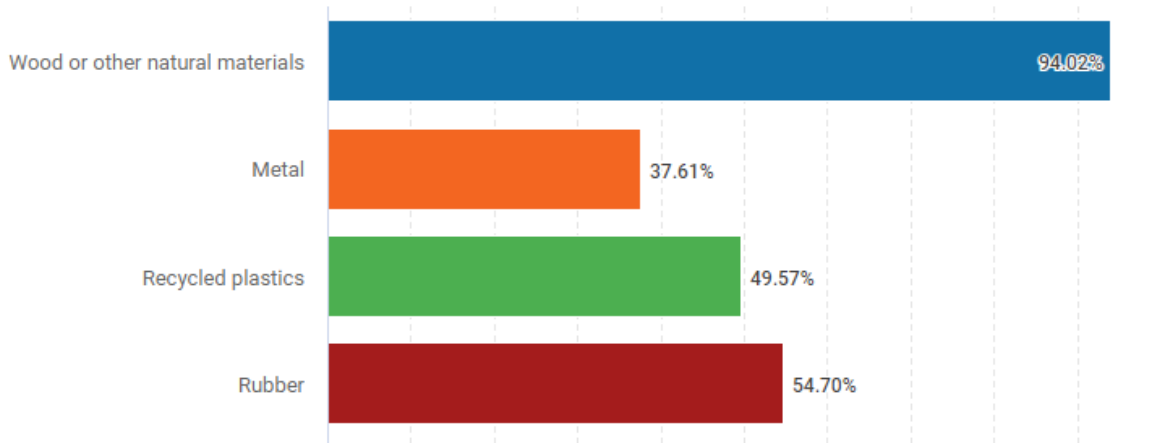
The variety of play equipment was the biggest draw for people with 20 respondents stating this as their answer. People most liked trampolines and sand pits.

### 4. When you visit a playground what are your favourite types of equipment? Select all that apply to you

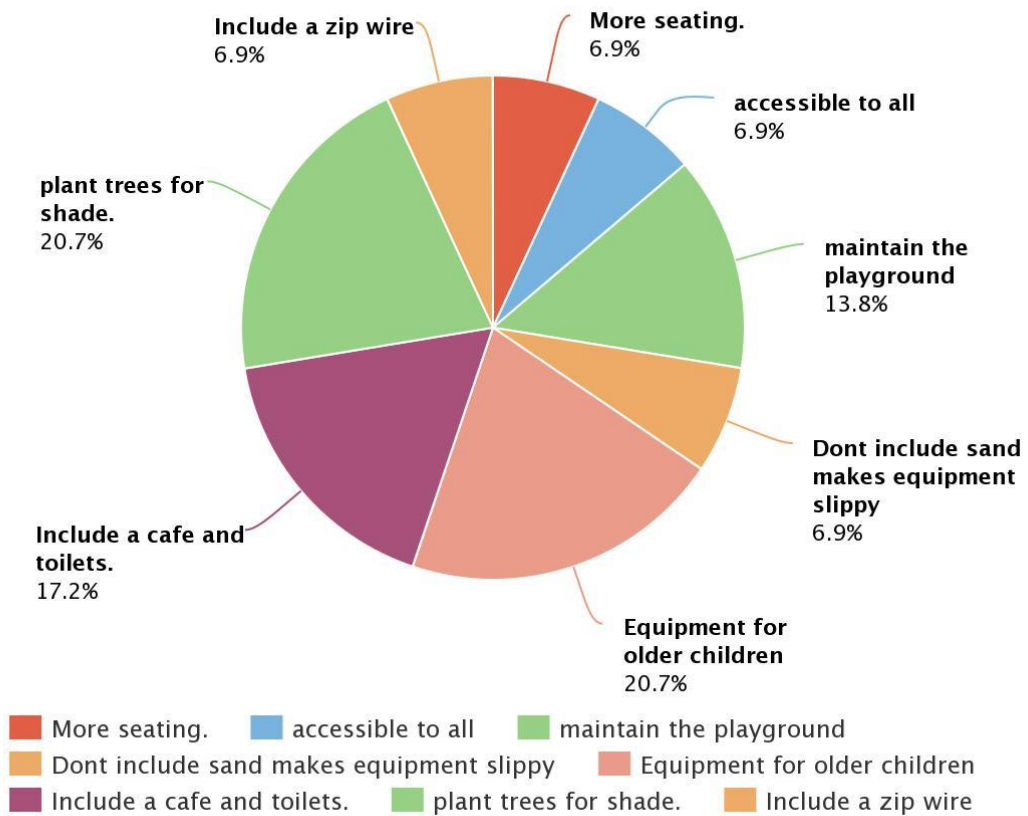


People who selected 'Other' requested a zip wire, sand pit, splash pad/water play, and shade.






### 5. What type of material would you like used for this play area?






### 6. Do you have any other comments?






## Equality data

6. How old are you? Select all that apply.			
Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	0-6		11.57% 14
2	7-11		18.18% 22
3	12-18		4.96% 6
4	An adult answering for a young person in my care		77.69% 94
5	Other (please state) Councillor, other adult.		6.61% 8

7. What gender do you identify as?			
Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Male		20.00% 24
2	Female		75.00% 90
3	Trans-gender		0.00% 0
4	Non-binary		0.00% 0
5	Prefer not to answer		4.17% 5

8. Do you have a long-term health problem or disability?			
Answer Choices		Response Percent	Response Total
1	Yes		7.56% 9
2	No		89.08% 106
3	Prefer not to say		3.36% 4