

Potential Transfer of Play sites and Highcliffe Recreation Ground:

Appendix 2 – Proposal for Transfer of Highcliffe Recreation Ground submitted by HWPC



**TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF HIGHCLIFFE RECREATION GROUND  
TO  
HIGHCLIFFE & WALKFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

**PROPOSED TERMS OF TRANSFER**

1. The Recreation Ground together with the Pavilion and Public Toilets to transfer from BCP to the HWPC with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021 (or earlier if the transfer can be approved before that date).
2. HWPC will enter into a Service Level Agreement (SLA) with BCP to provide all the required maintenance services as listed in Appendix 1. The SLA will be renewed annually; subject to 12 months notice from either side to discontinue it. Initially the cost of the SLA will be £29314 pa as provided by BCP and as detailed in Appendix 1.
3. After giving 6 months notice, to take effect any time after 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023, HWPC may discontinue any elements of the SLA with reductions in its cost determined by the figures in Appendix 1 for the discontinued services.
4. The level of service provided for any item in the SLA, together with its associated cost, may be varied by agreement.
5. To recognise that the costs will be wholly borne in future years by Highcliffe & Walkford taxpayers, to the benefit of BCP taxpayers as a whole, the SLA for the years 2021/22 and 2022/23 will operate as above, but will not be recharged to HWPC. This 'period of grace' is requested to allow the parish council to gain a fuller understanding in practice of all the elements contained in the SLA and thereby to find ways to improve the value for money we deliver to sports clubs, children and residents alike.
6. The transferred asset is entirely of a non-commercial nature and therefore the asset value will be nominal.
7. As with the transfer of the play areas to CTC and HWPC a dowry should accompany the Recreation Ground. Taking a 10 year horizon, the cumulative saving to taxpayers of Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole will amount to over £0.25 million and that additional burden will fall entirely on the taxpayers of Highcliffe & Walkford. We suggest a reasonable dowry, to recognise this saving to BCP, would be the equivalent of two years contributions to the suggested sinking fund, i.e. £10,000.

# APPENDIX 1

MAINTENANCE SERVICES TO BE INCLUDED IN SLA together with their cost at 2020/2021 prices

Item	Cost (£)
<b>Grounds Maintenance</b>	
Gang Mowing	3542
Informal Banks with bulbs	160
2 Raised beds	507
Litter Picking in play areas	922
Waste Disposal	150
Football Pitches	4437
Other	72
Sub Total	<b>9790</b>
<b>Pavilion</b>	
Building Works	8900
Insurance	200
Inspection	319
Cleaning	975
Sub Total	<b>10394</b>
<b>Public Conveniences</b>	
Cleaning	4244
Sub Total	<b>4244</b>
<b>Other</b>	
Litter & Dog Bins	2340
Tree Inspection	546
Tree Work	2000
Sub Total	<b>4886</b>
TOTAL	<b>29314</b>