Shoreham Beach Green Extending play area project

- The project to extend the play area at Shoreham Beach Green began in February 2009 when the Government announced the Wave 3 Funding opportunity would be available for Adur District Council to apply for improvements to play facilities
- Adur DC in March 2009 submitted 4 bids, of which this project was one of the 3, which were successful in June 2009 of being allocate funding.
- On site consultation about the aims of the project took place next to the existing play area with 42 adults plus children, giving their support to the project, no objectors and lots of needs/type of equipment required suggested.
- 8 local resident/parents agreed to work with the Council officers as a small community group and met in Shoreham Beach School on 13th July to talk about best way forward they would like to see used and identifying the local Children's needs.
- Tenders for designs were then produced, sent out and 9 companies replied with their designs based on the local children needs.
- These designs were then taken into the School on 14th and 15th September and **176** Children filled in the response forms.
- On site consultation on the designs followed on 16th during the afternoon with a further **38** response forms from parents and site visitors being completed.
- Chosen design by play company Wicksteed received **64%** , with the nearest next design only getting 21%.
- The design now submitted for planning approval has had two further pieces of equipment added from the original design that were requested by the consultation returns favourite items list.
- No objections have been received so far by the project team and the request for landscaping, fencing and another attempt to plant and grow some trees on the site will all be included before the end of March 2010 if the project gets approval.

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