

**TITLE: ASSETS UPDATE**

Committee: Finance & Assets

Date: 27 June 2024

Author: Open Spaces & Facilities Manager

Report number: Z21

Contact officer:

Spencer Clark, Open Spaces & Facilities Manager

[Spencer.clark@eastcambs.gov.uk](mailto:Spencer.clark@eastcambs.gov.uk), 01354 665555, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely.

**1.0 Issue**

1.1. To receive an update on Council owned assets.

**2.0 Recommendations**

2.1. Members are requested to:

i) Note the update on Council owned assets, and

ii) Note the expenditure tracking sheet at Appendix 1.

**3.0 Background/Options**

3.1. On 28 March 2024 (Agenda Item 10) Finance & Assets Committee received a report detailing Council owned assets which provided a summary of each asset. This report provides an update to assets contained within that report.

3.2. The Asset Management budget expenditure sheet at Appendix 1 identifies areas of planned spend and provides an update on actual spend to date. Members will continue to receive the expenditure tracking sheet as part of the Asset Update.

**4.0 Council Assets Update**

4.1. Depot Improvement Project- The planned internal works are now complete. The traffic management of the site is being reviewed and this will inform the works that need to be completed externally.

4.2. Inclusive Play Audit- Discussions have commenced with Plan Inclusive Play Areas (PiPA), an independent charity. PiPA is the only organisation that can provide a truly independent audit that focuses on all aspects of a play space (including sensory space) and doesn't just focus on play equipment.

4.3. PiPA has identified that it does not currently have the capacity to carry out the audit as quickly as the Council might have initially expected. No commitment has been made as to when the audit should complete, and it is important that the audit is carried out in a meaningful way that will enable the Council to properly understand what the current position is and what can be done in the future. For this reason, whilst it may take longer than originally envisaged, Officers will continue to work with PiPA.

PiPA is working on a proposal and will submit it in the coming weeks for Officers to review. Once this is done Officers will then write to the Parish Councils to invite them to submit their play areas for audit.

## 5.0 Additional Implications Assessment

5.1 In the table below, please put Yes or No in each box:

<b>Financial Implications</b> No	<b>Legal Implications</b> No	<b>Human Resources (HR) Implications</b> No
<b>Equality Impact Assessment (EIA)</b> No	<b>Carbon Impact Assessment (CIA)</b> No	<b>Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA)</b> No

## 6.0 Appendices

Appendix 1- Asset Spend Tracker

## 7.0 Background documents

Finance & Assets Committee- 27 March 2024- Agenda Item 10- Assets Update and Asset Management Plan