

**BID FOR CAPITAL FUNDING FROM AREA COMMITTEES  
PRO FORMA**

1. **Short project title:** Ball Grove Play Area Equipment Replacement
2. **Bid submitted by:** Mr L R Cromey – Chairperson
3. **On behalf of (please include contact details):** Friends of Ball Grove. C/o Mr L R Cromey Tel 01282 864798/Mobile 07972 503 029

- 4(a). **Does your organisation have a constitution?** Yes
- (b). **Does it have a board of governors/directors or a committee that oversees its work?** No [*but PBC would oversee these works*]
- (c). **Does your organisation have its own bank account?** Yes
- (d). **How many signatures are required to authorise a payment from your bank account?** One

5. **Is your organisation VAT-registered?\*** No

6. **Amount requested:** £1,750.00

**7. Brief details of project:**

The Ben Nevis Climbing Net had to be removed in late August 2018 due to it being deemed unsafe as a result of a mixture of vandalism and general wear and tear. A replacement like-for-like cost was obtained with the cost coming in at circa £15,000.

The Friends Group identified a need for more new toddler-orientated play equipment within the play area, specifically a smaller climbing frame with steps and a slide. The Council has had numerous requests/complaints associated with the play area relating to the lack of a toddler slide/climbing frame and thus it is seen by many as an opportunity to replace the Ben Nevis net with something for younger children (as per the demand identified).

As such, costs have been obtained by the Council for the Spider Climbing frame (which incorporates a slide and steps) plus a Curlicue (an associated piece of spinning equipment). The total cost for supply and installation is £6,800.

We believe this would be a more feasible and cost effective replacement for the climbing net and would satisfy an obvious demand by users of the play area for this type of toddler equipment.

**8. Main outcomes to be achieved:**

- Replacement of unsafe play equipment
- Satisfying identified demand for more toddler equipment
- Improved play area

9. **When will the project be implemented?** As soon as funding secured.

10. **Who will undertake the project works?** Sutcliffe Play and Landscape Engineering.

**11. Is there match funding for the project from elsewhere? Yes**

**If so, please give details:** Pendle Council has committed £3,500 towards the project from its playground and parks revenue budgets and the Friends Group has committed £1,550, making a total of £5,050 match funding.

**12. Are there long-term revenue consequences and how will these be funded?**

No – ongoing maintenance of the play area and the park is still with Pendle Council. Inspections of the play area are undertaken by PBC's playground inspector on a weekly basis.

***\*Please note that grants inclusive of VAT will only be awarded where the organisation is not VAT-registered and is unable to reclaim VAT***