



AMENITIES COMMITTEE REPORT

Meeting Date: 14 October 2025

Agenda Item: 7

Subject:	Carey Play Area Trampoline Repair
Prepared by:	Sam Dickins, Deputy Town Clerk
Purpose of Report:	To consider the replacement of trampoline padding in Carey Hall Play Area.
Background:	The trampoline in Carey Hall Play Area has been subject to vandalism, with the protective padding having been periodically lightly damaged but repairable by the grounds team. The protective padding has been subsequently completely removed making repair as part of standard on-going maintenance impossible. To ensure this piece of playground equipment is safe moving forward it will require replacement.
Key Points:	Playground equipment is often supplied by companies which produce and install their own bespoke equipment. To ensure any replaced or repaired elements are suited for the trampoline without causing further issue, a quote has been sourced by the company which installed the trampoline originally. The site has been hazard marked to warn playground users in the interim. Sutcliffe Play, the original installer, have quoted to replace the protective padding with harder wearing EPDM Trampoline Edging. The costs of the work equate to £1,870 (excl. VAT) for the replacement of damaged elements of the protective trampoline edging with an additional small cost for safety fencing during the works of £95 +VAT. There is no dedicated budget line for maintenance at the Carey Hall play area, though the Hauses Field – Play Area Maintenance budget line could be utilised for this purpose and holds £3,000 at present.
Implications:	Failure to replace the trampoline padding would make the trampoline unsafe to use on an ongoing basis. Failure to replace the trampoline padding significantly detracts from the playground users' experience preventing them from using a significant piece of playground equipment. Replacement of the trampoline edging constitutes a considerable expense, though a suitable budget line has been identified.
Recommendation:	To consider the replacement of trampoline padding in Carey Hall Play Area.