

Report of the BRPS P&C Playground Upgrade Sub-Committee

August 2016

1. BRPS P&C management committee actions

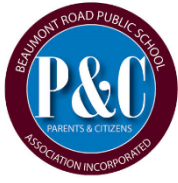
- 1.1. That the BRPS P&C spends \$68,000 to install the design "Wildnet Summit: Paris" with a 1500H curved slide to be located adjacent to the current playground equipment on the asphalt next to the canteen.
- 1.2. That BRPS P&C spends \$900 to repair the current playground equipment and improve the current shade sail with the remaining repair costs to be met by the school.

2. Work undertaken to date

- 2.1. In a survey conducted by the P&C in April 2013 the BRPS Student Representative Council, teachers and parents suggested an extension to the playground equipment as it was too small to accommodate the current number of students and was not challenging enough for older students.
- 2.2. Following from the April 2013 survey, in August 2013 the then P&C President and BRPS School Principal started seeking design ideas and quotes to upgrade the playground equipment. This was resumed in 2015 and again in 2016.
- 2.3. Expressions of interest to join a Playground Sub-Committee were called for earlier in 2015. A group of interested parents joined with the School Principal to look at upgrading playground equipment at BRPS to include additional capacity and increase difficulty for older students.
- 2.4. Five companies provided design suggestions and quotes on a range of different options at different locations around the school.
- 2.5. The location (adjacent to the current playground equipment on the asphalt next to the canteen) was chosen for a number of reasons including: it is a disused space that has no use in the foreseeable future; extends the playground precinct; does not impact on current teacher supervision rosters; and provides a single pick up point for parents at the end of the day.
- 2.6. Consultation on this specific proposal has included: plans placed on the School noticeboard for BRPS parents to view; meeting held with BRPS Student Representative Council; and parent and teacher input through their representatives on the Sub-Committee.

3. Proposal

- 3.1. **New Playground Equipment** To install a 4.5m Wildnet Summit: Paris net climber with 1500H slide adjacent to the current playground equipment on the asphalt next to the canteen totalling \$68,000 ex-GST. This unit caters for 32 users and provides students with a different climbing experience than the current modular run playground equipment. The same unit has been installed by Moduplay at Knox Preparatory School (without the slide) and similar at Ravenswood School for Girls and Covenant Christian School.
- 3.2. **Repairs to Existing Playground Equipment** Quotes for minor repairs to the existing playground equipment were sought from the previous installer (who did not submit a quote) and The Playground Dr who quoted \$1,097 ex-GST for repairs to the playground



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equipment and \$650 ex-GST to improve the shade sail. Details of this quote are tabled separately.

4. Recommendation or request

- 4.1. That the P&C Association approve the expenditure of \$68,000 for the installation of Wildnet Summit: Paris with a 1500H curved slide to be located adjacent to the current playground equipment on the asphalt next to the canteen.
- 4.2. That the P&C Association approves 50% cost of the repairs to the existing playground equipment and shade sail, with the School to contribute the other 50%.

5. Ongoing work

- 5.1. Assist School to enter into contract with Moduplay and oversee the completion of the work.
- 5.2. Liaise with School to have repairs to existing playground equipment carried out.