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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# **NEWBURY TOWN COUNCIL BLOSSOM'S FIELD**

After extensive local consultation, Newbury Town Council is pleased to announce that it has decided to proceed with the installation of new playground equipment and sporting facilities at Blossom's Field in Wash Common. The facilities will be funded partly by the 2007 Greenham Gift and partly by S106 contributions relating to local developments.

To view the full proposal and consultation documents [Click Here.](#)

Cllr Arthur Johnson, chairperson of the Community Services Committee, said "This has been a very difficult decision as there were strong arguments both for and against the proposals. However the results of the consultation showed a clear majority in favour of the proposals and on balance the Council believe that the provision of facilities for the majority is the right way forward".

Officers will now prepare a detailed implementation plan to address all aspects, including a full installation programme, health and safety, site security and public safety issues. It is hoped that the facilities will all be in place by the summer holidays.

Part of the implementation plan will also be an attempt to establish a "Friends of Blossom's Field" group to ensure community ownership of the facilities provided. Anyone interested in being part of that should contact Granville Taylor at the Town Hall.

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