

Littlebourne Road

A Fantastic Colourful Play Area in Canterbury

Client: Abbey Developments Ltd
Address: Littlebourne Road, Canterbury, CT1 1TJ
Budget: £65,000
Age Range: Junior

Project Story

Abbey Developments Ltd were building a development comprising of 93 dwellings. The local area properties are of traditional design, with no outstanding or consistent detail to give clues to inform the design. However, there are post war styles and 80s and 90s housing styles in pockets of the local area.

The developer hired a Landscape Architect to design the play area for the new estate. The design rationale focused on a playful mixture of colour and nature that must be reflected. As you can see from the design, a tree comprising of colourful leaves was to be the main feature within the Wet Pour. Harmonising equipment was positioned around the boughs, made from both Robinia wood and colourful multi-play units.

The detailed design within the Wet Pour made this project tricky and challenging, but was recreated beautifully by Proludic and their contractors. The play area sits perfectly within the development and is a bright and colourful play space for families to enjoy.



Before

After



Completion



Diabolo



Design



Completion



Play Spaces in Housing Developments

An area of open space that includes equipment for children who are beginning to experience play independently. LEAP's should be designed to ensure the area can be used for physical activities alongside play equipment.

Key Features:

- Its primary function is to engage local children and encourage growth/independency
- It is within a 5-minute walking distance from the child's house, 20m minimum from the dwellings
- The recommended minimum activity zone is 400 square metres with 5+ play activities