

Kings Lane Teen Space

A Place For Teens

Client: Runnymede Borough Council

Address: Kings Lane, Englefield Green, TW20 0AE

Budget: £28,000

Age Range: Junior & Teenagers

Project Story

Runnymede Borough Council successfully gained Surrey County Council - community and improvement funds and was also awarded section 106 award money. They wanted to use this money to enhance the community facilities in the Orchard Estate in Englefield Green. Children from this estate were recorded in the highest obesity scale bracket across the borough.

The aim was to provide play equipment that encouraged physical activity to address this issue and give them somewhere to play outside of their homes. Extensive consultation was carried out before and after the tender process to ensure the community were fully involved in the decision-making process and selection of new equipment.



After



Before



As soon as the fencing was down children ran straight onto the play equipment and as I walked away, they were squiling with joy.



Positive feedback from local councillors and adults, they have all said, it's great what you have done and big thanks. They're really grateful to see improvements in the area, it's a good news story afterall!

- Jo Hardy, Project Manager, Runnymede Borough Council





Zip Wire



Design



Age Appropriate Play

Play should meet this age group's need for physical and sport activities. It should help improve their physical condition: motor skills, strength, flexibility, cardiorespiratory fitness, balance, agility and coordination. It should also contribute to their psychological well-being: mood, self-esteem, sense of worth, reducing stress and anxiety.

Play should improve their attention levels, concentration and memory. It should encourage the feeling of belonging to "their" group while also boosting their confidence.