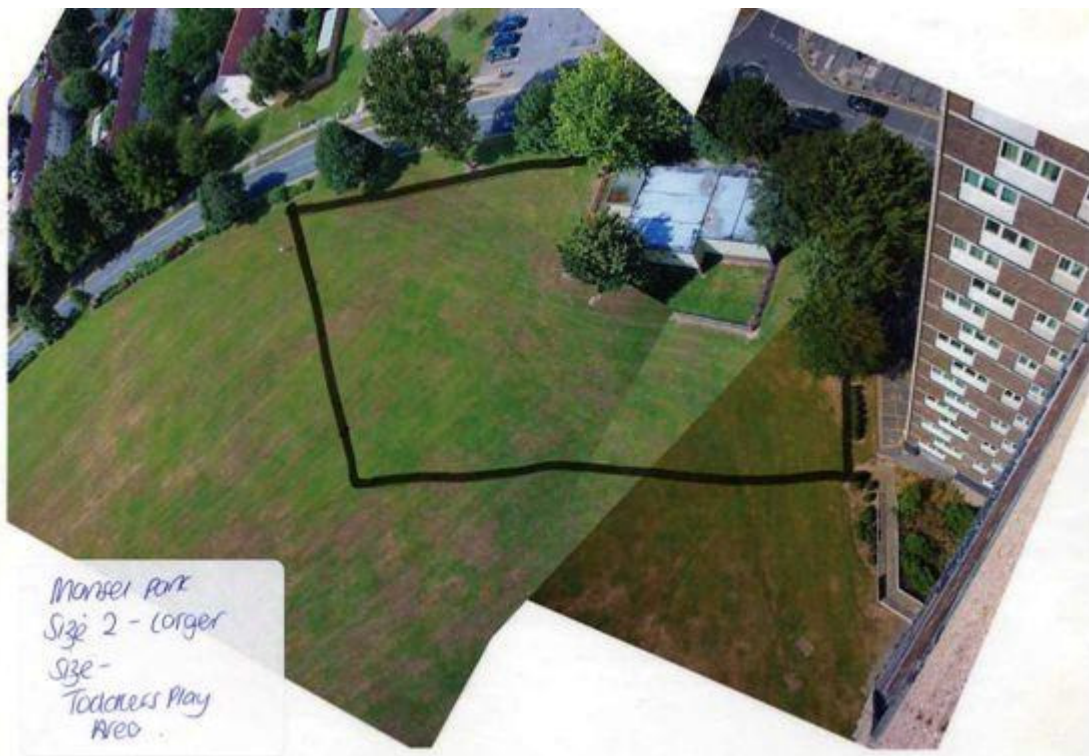


APPENDICES:

Examples of different sizes of play areas, as referred to in the question for the Toddler & Family Play area - "Which size play area would you prefer?"



APPENDICES:

Examples of sand and water features, as referred to in the question for the **Toddler & Family Play area** - "Are sand and water features a good idea?"



APPENDICES:

A Summary of the results of the second consultation with young people, from Claire Townend (The Environment Centre).

Summary Report: Mansel Park Youth Shelter preference and position

A site visit was made to Mansel Park on the 2nd June 2006 at 1.30pm to 3pm. The aim was to approach young people who could potentially use a new youth shelter with questions regarding the new shelter design and its position in the park.

A total of 12 young people were questioned at Mansel Park and were part of two separate groups, they were around the ages of 15 to 17.

Questions Asked

A detached youth worker approach was taken with two people approaching a young person when they came on to the park.

The following questions were asked:

Q1. Of these 3 choices which design do you like the best and Why?

Q2. Where would you prefer the shelter to be out of these two choices, A or B and Why?

The young people were also asked whether they came to Mansel Park regularly and if they came in the evenings.

Results

	Shelter Design			Shelter Position	
	Upton	J2860	12 Seater	A	B
Male	2	7	1	10	0
Female	0	2	0	2	0

Group 1 Group 2

Additional Comments

Shelter Design

Two separate groups of young people were present at the park during the survey period. A group of 3 lads and a group of 9 mixed girls and lads.

The larger group used the park regularly in the day and in the evenings.

The smaller group did not come to the park in the evenings but used it regularly during the day. This was reflected by comments given such as, 'I've chosen the 12 seater because I wouldn't use it in the evening, I don't come here at night and want the others to get cold.'

The majority chose the J2860 design for reasons such as,

'They wanted a place away from the wind and the rain' and 'it has a table.'

The two who chose the Upton shelter said it was because it looked good.

The one lad who chose the Twelve Seater gave comments as above.

Shelter position

When asked about the possible position of the Shelter all responded with position A along the line of four trees, and not position B on the bank. No-one gave a specific reason why.

I would suggest that position A may have been chosen because it was slightly nearer to the central part of the park, where all the equipment is i.e. play area and multi use games area. It was also the clearest one to describe from the position where they were asked. It was impractical to get the young people to walk over to the proposed areas.

New Developments

The majority of young people did not know about any of the planned developments in the park. One lad knew about the new pavilion and one girl knew about the planned toddlers play area and pavilion.

Once told about the new developments planned many asked how long it would take and when it would be happening.

Youth Worker

A short discussion was carried out with a youth worker from The Link in Millbrook and a local resident connected to The Link. They preferred the J2860 design and thought either position was appropriate, providing position A did not flood.

They raised concerns and complaints passed on to them by young people about the park. It appears the local police have given out a curfew on the play area only allowing young people to use it for a very short period from 6pm.

It is important to note that incidents such as this may have a direct impact on the park particularly the play area. Often when a young person is told not to do something, they do the opposite. If they are being excluded from the play area and no longer feel they can use it, vandalism may increase.

Suggestions

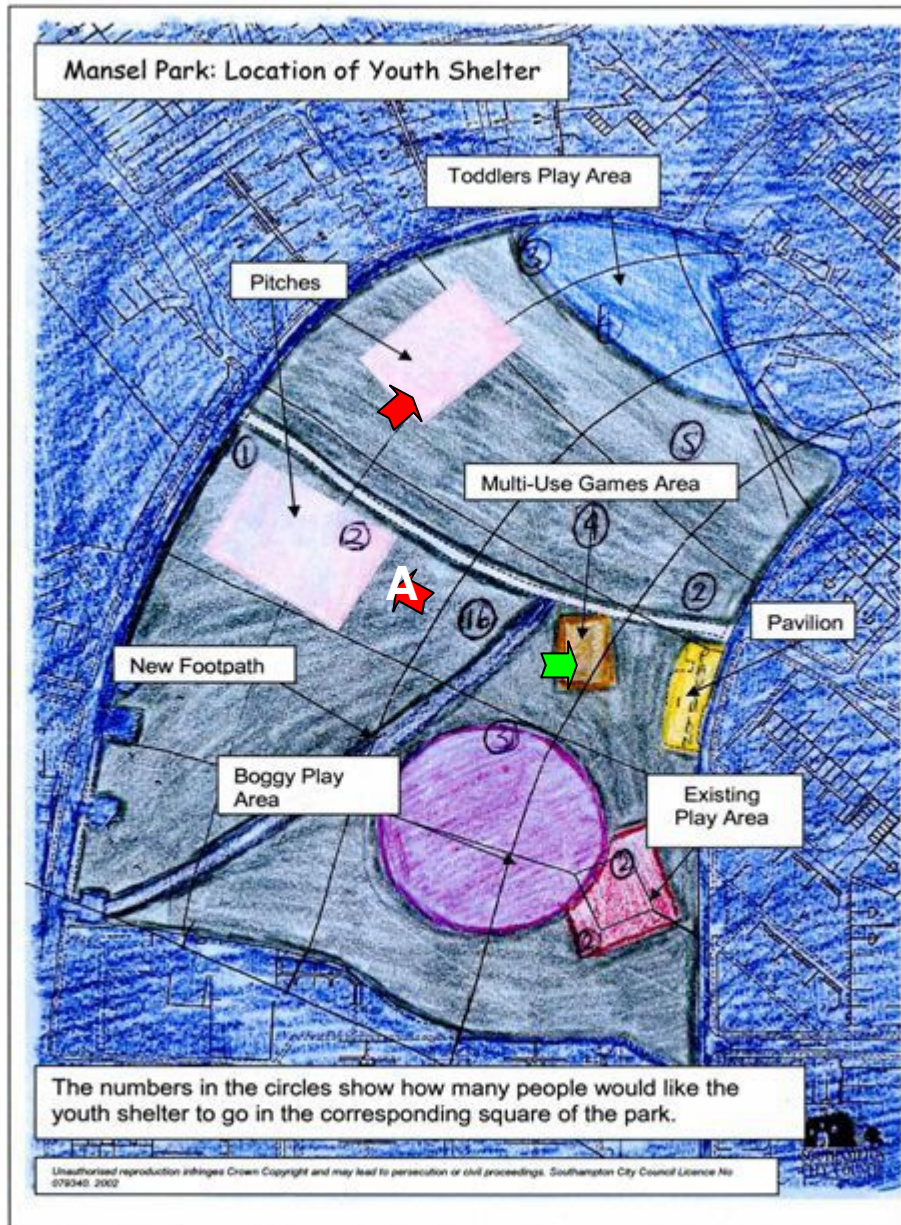
It would be worth finding out specifically what youth work is being carried out in the area at present and in the future, to see if this can coincide with developments at the park.



The new developments on the park may be more readily respected if the young people are kept up to date with what is going on. This will be particularly important when the old youth shelter is taken away to be refurbished and when the old basketball court becomes inaccessible.

It would also be beneficial to liaise with City safety/local police, if this has not been the case, and let them know about future developments at the park. They could prove a valuable link, relaying information to the young people. It could also be established whether the issue of underage selling of alcohol is being addressed in the area. As underage drinking was clearly taking place during the youth visit.

APPENDICES:

This is the map shown to young people in the second round of consultation, showing possible locations of the **youth shelter**, identified in previous consultations with the community. The letter **A** indicates their chosen location.



-  New youth shelter – arrow indicates facing direction
-  Existing youth shelter – arrow indicates facing direction

