

## James, Sarah

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**From:** O'Connell, Mik  
**Sent:** 26 October 2005 13:42  
**To:** James, Sarah  
**Subject:** FW: Fulford X -- Swings

Sarah,  
Some bits and pieces about the green at Fulford Cross.  
Bests  
Mik



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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Williams, Brian  
**Sent:** 20 January 2004 15:45  
**To:** O'Connell, Mik  
**Subject:** RE: Fulford X -- Swings

I was approached by the ward committee about May of last year with this scheme to put a small amount of play equipment, a bench seat and a small plating scheme on the triangular piece of land at Fulford Cross. At this stage funding had been granted through the ward committee process. As the scheme was a little vague and there was, relatively speaking only a small amount money available I had a very useful meeting, on site with about eight of the householders who were all in support of the proposal. The purpose of the meeting was to establish what the residents wanted and to inform them what was realistic with the available funding allocated to this scheme.

Consequently, I went away, found some pieces of equipment within the price range and handed them to a representative for her to show the rest of the group who then informed me of their choice.

The next thing was to discuss the issue with you and the rest you know.

For further information Kay Hoare in the citizens unit who was involved in the discussions along with one of the local cllrs. If I recall they gave me the final go ahead.

Brian.

-----Original Message-----

**From:** O'Connell, Mik  
**Sent:** 14 January 2004 17:17  
**To:** Williams, Brian  
**Subject:** Fulford X -- Swings

Brian,

I having some fun with Fulford X school over the play equipment on the green.

Sorry to be a pain, but could you let me have something that charts the progress of how they got there, consultation, ward committee, any notifications etc. Basically I just need to brief my AD with the full story.

All help appreciated

Bests

Mik

# MEMORANDUM



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**TO:** Brian Williams    **CC:** Philip Callow  
  : Maggie Tansley

**FROM:** Mik O'Connell

Ext: 4627

**DATE:** 18<sup>th</sup> August 2003

**SUBJECT:** Fulford Cross Ward Committee Scheme

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I have spoken to colleagues in Education and I can say that we have no objection to the ward committee undertaking the works on the land you identify on the plan. This work will include a small shrub boarder, a bench and two or three balance beams,

My only word of caution is that the future of the Fulford Cross site has yet to be determined and it is therefore possible that the committee could be asked to move the equipment if, after all the due consultation and decision making processes, CYC needed to make use of this site for other purposes.

Mik O'Connell

Mrs J Lock,  
Fulford Cross School  
Fulford Cross  
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YO10 4PB  
28<sup>th</sup> November 2003



Dear Joan,

Thank you for your letter of the 13<sup>th</sup> regarding the play equipment that has been erected on the Fulford Cross roundabout.

I am sorry that governors were unaware of this development, I had assumed that as Fulford Cross has such a good relationship with local residents and the ward committee, that governors would have been involved. The equipment has been erected in response to local demand and was fully discussed at the local ward committee.

As to your comments on the management of and responsibility for the land, I would argue that while the area is technically under the ownership of the LEA and within the school boundary, in all practical sense the piece of land is open and public. The triangle of land is outside of the school's practical boundaries and I am sure that neither Fulford Cross governors or the LEA would want to restrict local parents and children from using it.

I am assured by the Parks and Open Spaces Team that the equipment will be checked on a very regular basis and meets all health and safety requirements.

As to the governors request for a rental income. I would be happy to investigate this option. I should however advise governors that in my view the maintenance costs and responsibility for the play equipment, would outweigh any benefits brought by a small rental income.

Yours

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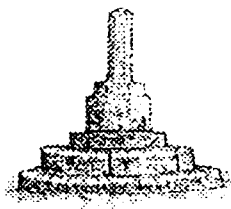
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*Maggie,*

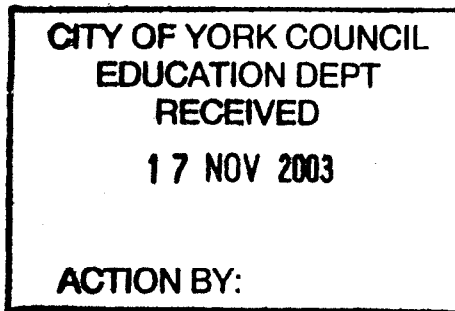
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*suitable response please*

13 November 2003

*Run 19/11.*

Mr Kevin Hall  
Assistant Director  
Education & Leisure Services  
Mill House  
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Dear Kevin

At our Governors meeting last night (12 November 2003) we noted that some swings had been erected on Fulford Cross land on the transport turning circle. Governors were not aware how this had happened although they assumed it had been the Council who had put the swings in place.

Governors had not been consulted about this and wished to put on record that they had not approved the erection of these swings and could take no responsibility for them. If there are any health and safety problems with these swings and their positioning on a traffic island it is a matter for the local authority and not the school.

Governors did ask if there was any possibility that the local authority would like to pay rent for the use of this piece of land as an area of public recreation?

I would be grateful for your comments.

Yours sincerely

*Joan*

Mrs J Lock  
Headteacher



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Mik O'Connell



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## Internal Memorandum

To: Mik O'Connell                      Group: Education  
From: Brian Williams                  Group: Parks and Open Spaces Officer                  Ext: 3392  
Our Ref:                                      Your Ref:  
Subject: Fulford Cross Ward Committee Scheme  
Date              18 July 2003                  Copy distribution:

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Following on from our telephone conversation last week regarding the proposed Ward Committee Scheme I have enclosed a plan highlighting the land where the locals want to place the play equipment, bench and small shrub border.

As the land in question is owned by the Education department, the scheme may have implications on the proposed development of Fulford Cross School. Consequently, I thought it was prudent to inform and consult with you before I implement the scheme and invite you to comment.

As I have indicated, the scheme comprises of installing two or three balance beams, a bench seat and plant a small shrub border incorporating a small tree. The cost of the scheme will be no more than £1300 which I hope will provide you with a scale of the scheme.

Any comments you have would be very useful. I look forward to hearing from you.

Brian Williams