

Launde Road Dog Park

Background

The dog park at the above site was created several years ago. It has proved to be a popular site for residents and their canine companions. A linear path was installed to make the dog park accessible all year round as the grassed area is prone to saturation. It was intended that the path would be extended to create a seamless loop around the perimeter of the dog park but despite the Council's best intentions, the plans were put on hold because of changing priorities.

Current Situation

The plan to create a looped path is now back on the Council's projects for the forthcoming year along with a budget allocation. The Parish Council has successfully applied to Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council's Rural Prosperity Fund and been awarded £14,565 toward the project.

Quotations

Three quotations were sought with the respective contractors visiting site. All three contractors are known to Council. Their respective details and charges are as follows:

Contractor	Summary of quotation	Price exclusive of VAT
1	Linear path contractor. From outside of the county	£32,148.80
2	Sub-contractor to original contractor. A Leicestershire business	£19,420.00
3	Provides grounds maintenance to the Council. Has supplied photos of other installations of similar paths in Leicestershire. From outside of the county	£22,000.00

Recommendation

Only a partial recommendation is being put forward, with a preference for either contractor 2 or 3. Council is asked as part of its resolution to include a contingency percentage just in case.