

Meeting	Full Council
Date	24 th March 2026
Report Title	Capesthorn Play Area
Agenda Reference	15
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Officer's Recommendation: Tree Removal Request

Background

There are two reasons for this request:

1. The berries fall and the play surface gets ruined due to them being trodden into the rubber floor causing staining and a slip hazard.
2. The trees are hawthorn and as the pictures below show very sharp spikes near the play area fence causing a safety concern.
3. Please see the pictures showing the concerns and reasons supporting this request.

Looking Forward

Look at the possibility of planting some small trees further away from the fence and not hawthorn or berry trees.

This review originally came via Councillor L Stevenson, who having looked at the surface issues, thought this may be the best solution.

