

## Thackeray Close

## Playground for New Housing Development

Client: Fairview Homes Address: Thackeray Close, Royston, SG85TF Budget: £20,000 Age Range: Toddlers & Families

## Project Story

Fairview homes wanted a small play area filled with lots of fun. They wanted the play are to look as natural as possible, having grass mat surfacing rather than solid surfacing. They wanted the playground to be suitable for toddlers, making use of natural features within the space.

Proludic designed the play area to have lots of small low-level equipment to appeal to toddlers. To be in keeping with a natural playground the majority of the play equipment was Robinia wood, any other pieces of equipment was selected to be sympathetic to the natural environment. Mounding and a mound slide was designed into the play area, adding an element of natural play.



Public open space should be seen as an integrated, connected system of green spaces, providing recreational activity. Play areas within housing developments are really important for the local residents moving there. Over 85% of people say that good quality public spaces has a direct impact on their lives and the way that they feel each day.





## Play Within Housing - LEAP

An area of open space that included equipment for children who are beginning to experience play independently. LEAP's should be designed to ensure the area can be used for physical activities alongside play equipment.

Its primary function is to engage local children and encourage growth, within a 5-minute walking distance from the child's house - 20 meters minimum separation between activity zone and the boundary of dwellings.

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