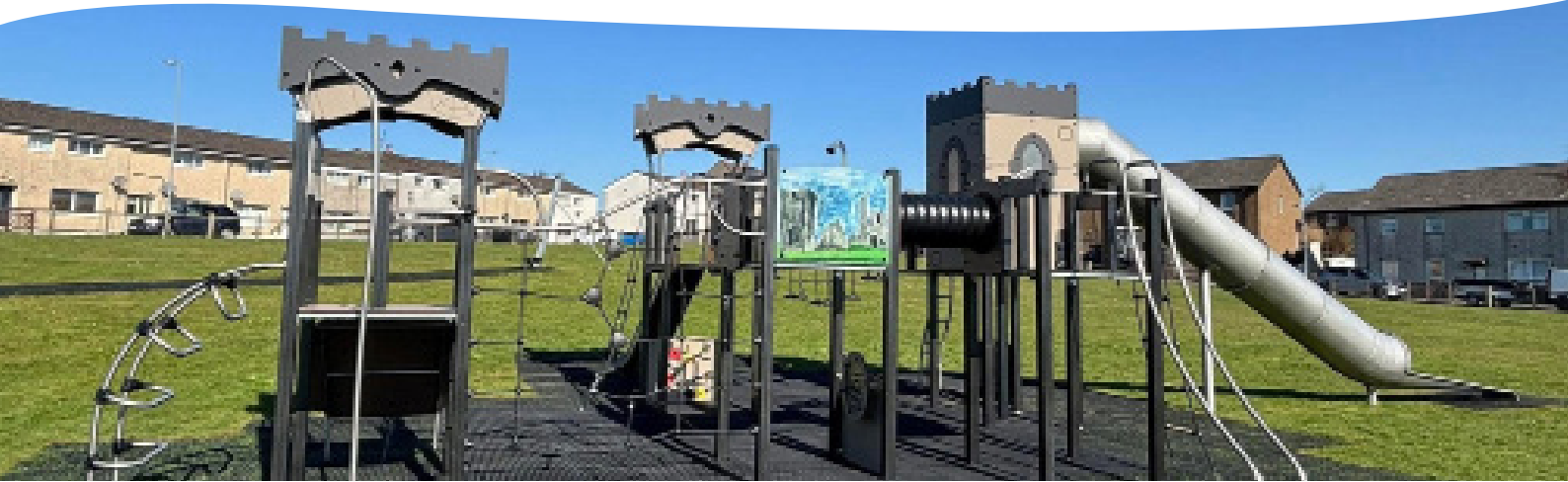


A DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE PLAY AREA FOR ALL



BELL CRESCENT PLAY AREA, SANQUHAR

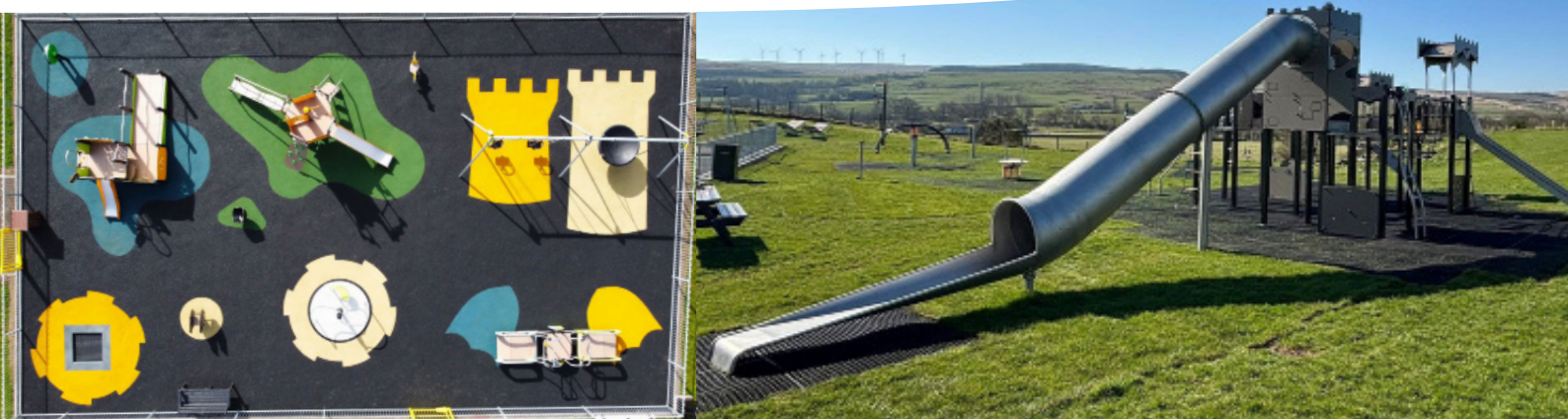
Client:	Dumfries and Galloway Council
Address:	Bell Crescent, Sanquhar DG4 6AL
Budget:	£250,000
Age Range:	Toddler, Junior, Teenage
Ranges:	ACTiNinja, Diabolo, Themed
Surfacing:	Wetpour, Grassmat

Project Story: Located near historic Sanquhar Castle, the Bell Crescent Play Area was once an open green space with outdated equipment. Driven by a desire to celebrate local heritage and improve accessibility, the community aimed to transform it into an inclusive and vibrant hub for families and children of all abilities.

The old equipment was removed to make way for a reimagined play area themed around a castle fort, inspired by the nearby castle. At its heart is a bespoke five-tower castle multi-play unit featuring a 4-metre tube slide and a custom Grafic Games panel, which displays artwork created by local schoolchildren through a community competition. This personal touch helped foster a sense of ownership and pride among residents.



Accessibility was a key focus. A fenced section with wet pour surfacing includes features such as a ground-level roundabout, a wheelchair-accessible trampoline, a ramped multi-play unit, and Proludic's unique Wheelchair Accessible Seesaw (J987). A newly installed linking pathway ensures easy access from the roadside entrance.



Beyond the fenced area, more challenging equipment was installed for older children on grass mat surfacing, including Hex Swings (J483), Metal Cableway (J512), and Rodeo Board (J3501). A new multi-use games area (MUGA) provides facilities for football and basketball, featuring the MUGA Goal End (J22226). To encourage active play and fitness, an ACTiNinja trail, including the Ninja Monkey Bars (J5908), wraps around the perimeter.

The project was made possible through strong community and council collaboration. Dumfries and Galloway Council secured £125,000 in Scottish Government funding, matched by the Sanquhar Enterprise Company (SEC) with support from the Upper Nithsdale Community Trust. SEC was central to the process - leading public consultations, influencing the design brief, and helping select the final contractor.

Despite seasonal weather challenges during installation, the project was completed on time due to effective planning and coordination. The revitalised Bell Crescent Play Area now stands as a testament to thoughtful, inclusive design and community partnership - offering a playful, safe, and engaging space for everyone to enjoy.



The video updates from your Contracts Manager are really helpful for keeping track of progress when we can't always get to site. The workmanship and finish on site has been great and the community have commented on the speedy progress of the project



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