



Grand Weston Canal

Bespoke Horse Drawn Canal Boat

Client: Devon County Council

Address: The Mooring, Canal Hill, EX16 4HX

Budget: £50,000

Age Range: Junior, Toddlers and Families



Project Story

The Grand Western Canal Country Park and Local Nature Reserve is a long linear park based around the in-water section of the Grand Western Canal in Devon.

The Park contains a wealth of wildlife and historic structures and a Canal Visitor Centre. The Canal is probably best known for the horse-drawn barge, called Tivertonian. Passengers have been enjoying peaceful and leisurely cruises on board this barge for over 40 years. It is estimated that the canal attracts around 295,000 visits per year. Despite this large number of visitors, there has been relatively little to engage or excite children visiting the Canal Basin, with the notable exception of the horses.

After consultation with stakeholders, visitors and local residents there was one consistent theme that came from the discussions. The play area needed to relate to the canal and accommodate children aged 3-8 years old.

Proludic were chosen to create the play area and designed an exact replica play barge. This play area provides an extension of the local heritage and offers role play opportunity for children visiting the Canal.



Before

After



It's great that the area is ready for the summer season and I'm sure it will be well used and become extremely popular. It shows what can be achieved when partners work together.



- Councillor Colin Slade, Devon County Council

We want people of all ages to enjoy the beauty of the area and with this new facility there is now something for everyone. I hope the children will enjoy the play area for many years to come.

- Councillor Roger Croad, Devon County Council



Design

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ROCKING SPINNING SWIMMING SLIDING BALANCE CO-ORDINATION CLIMBING MEETING EDUCATIONAL HISTORY TRADING KID'S PLAY OBJECTS IMAGINATIVE HIDEOUT

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