

Kingston upon Thames Refurbishment Programme

Changing Play Provision Across The Borough

Client: Royal Borough of Kingston upon Thames
Address: Multi Site across the Borough
Budget: £450,000
Age Range: Families & Inclusive

Case study Video Here

Project Story

Kingston after many years of under-funding of their playgrounds released a tender to refurbish 8 playgrounds across the borough. They wanted a WOW factor to be designed into the play spaces giving children a new play experience and in doing so encourage a greater use of the parks and open spaces enabling children to benefit from outdoor play.

Proludic were awarded 6 sites and following an extensive consultation period work began to transform the tired and dated playgrounds. The outcome has been amazing the modern upgrade and increased play value across all sites has resulted in an increase in visitor numbers.





> Funded by RB Kingston's Parks and Pavement programme Proludic were awarded a refurbishment package of six sites across the borough. We worked in close partnership with them and Kier to deliver all six sites within a 12 week programme, within budget. Their consultation programme was comprehensive ensuring we maximised the opportunity to consult with the local community. Post installation consultation was also carried out to ensure opinions were heard for future developments.
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> - Robert Waite, Greenspace Project Manager

Opening



Kanope



Pod Swing



Site Opening



Public Consultation

Conducting a consultation with the local community, especially the younger generation, is a vital aspect of creating a new play or sports space, for several reasons:

- Discovering what the local residents need from the proposed area
- Creating a design as a result of the consultation findings
- Fulfilling the identified 'need' creates a successful and sustainable play or sports space

At Proludic we believe strongly that the beneficiaries of a play space have the right to participate in the design process.