

CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Leisure & Amenities Committee Meeting

23rd June 2015

8. Upper Cambourne LEAP Extension

The Upper Cambourne LEAP Extension is still the responsibility of MCA who have commissioned Tilbrooks, the installers, to maintain and inspect the sand and water play area as the Green and LEAP extension have not been transferred to the Parish Council.

We have been carrying out additional checks when we inspect the original play area twice a week. We have also been responding to reports of broken glass and ensuring it is removed as soon as we are notified. To date we have been informed of two incidents of glass. On the first report there was a substantial amount of broken glass from a bottle, this was removed complete with the contaminated sand and the concrete was checked for any fragments. This took a total of three hours. On the second occasion the Grounds staff carried out an inspection and found no glass. This took two men an hour to ensure it was safe.

On a positive note the area has been extremely well used with over fifty people at any one time, including families from the surrounding villages, enjoying the imaginative play opportunities. Young children have been using the area creatively forming channels in the sand for water to flow from the pumps and down the rocks. Hopefully a warm summer will encourage more even more people to use this wonderful new facility.