

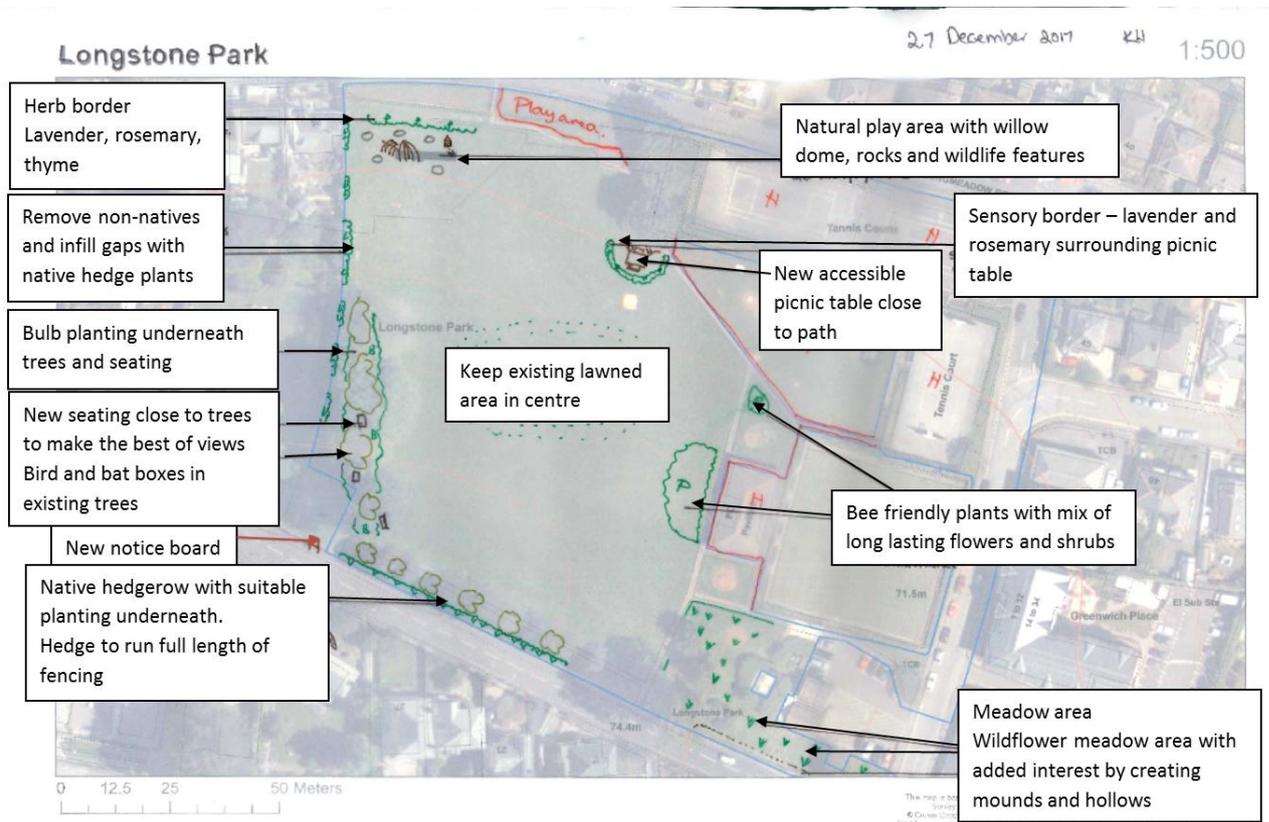


## Cornwall's parks and sports fields – do you use them and what do you think?

### LONGSTONE PARK, SALTASH

Thank you very much to everyone who commented on the changes we are planning for Longstone Park. We delivered 70 questionnaires for comments to local houses and visited the park three times in spring 2018 when 5 questionnaires were given out to park users. We had 35 people who live near or use the park respond to our questionnaires and about 40 people came and looked at the plans at our consultation event in Warfelton Sports Field!

The original design for the site is here –



Of the 35 people who replied to the questionnaire -

Overall **74%** of people agreed that the site would look better following the suggested changes.

**77 %** thought the changes would make the site better for wildlife.

**63%** of people thought the changes would make other people visit the site more, and **57%** said that they would be more likely to visit the site following changes.

### **You said, we did –**

Of course people have different views and opinions and unfortunately we can't do everything everyone wants. We have read and considered all of the comments; we can't reply to them all but these are some comments and changes we made.

**You said** – There were concerns that pollinator friendly planting near the public toilets would lead to dogs being stung by bees.

**We did** – Bee stings are generally quite rare unless provoked but it is difficult to persuade dogs not to do this! We have asked in the planting plans that non-bee friendly plants are planted at the edge of the plant beds. This will mean that the plants nearest the path will not have bees visiting them.

**You said** – There were concerns about vandalism of any new features in the park.

**We did** – This is a difficult issue to deal with. The new seating has been selected to be as vandal-proof as possible. Some of the natural landscape features will be more vandal proof than others, such as granite boulders. We will also try to engage with local schools, both primary and secondary to hopefully influence future generations to appreciate their parks!

We anticipate that work will start on this site in 2018.

Any further questions, please get in touch with the GI4G team ([GI4G@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:GI4G@cornwall.gov.uk) or 0300 1234 202)

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