



Love Lowndes - Fund the Fun!

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Problem

Lowndes Park is the flagship park in Chesham; it deserves a flagship playground.

The current play area is old and inaccessible. Substantial elements have been permanently removed and what remains doesn't serve a wide range of ages or interests.

Chesham Town Council owns the park and has committed £35,000 to renovate the play area. However, we need more money to complete the project.

Will you sponsor us?

Whether you're a **business** or an **individual**, we need your help!







Love Lowndes is a <u>Friends of Lowndes Park</u> project in partnership with <u>Chesham Town</u> Council.

Vision

I'm sure you remember being taken to a playpark as a child – perhaps it was Lowndes Park? We all made some amazing memories.

Playgrounds are still a vital, well-loved part of young life. I hope you agree that Chesham's children deserve a playground where they can make their own memories.

Your generosity will mean that THOUSANDS of children have access to a new play area.



Artist's impression of how our park could look.

Evidence

Bright Futures:

 Play is essential for a child's cognitive, physical & social development and it improves mental wellbeing.

Deprivation:

- Ridgeway Ward in Chesham was ranked in the top 20% of the most deprived LSOAs nationally.
- 11.8% of children are living in poverty in Chesham compared with 9.5% across Buckinghamshire as a whole. Free play facilities are essential.

Health:

- 32.2% of children in Year 6 are classified as overweight or obese in Chesham
- Chesham was ranked 'Highest Activity Need' within Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes by Leap.

I used the park as a youngster, my children too and now my granddaughter. It's sad to see the playground in such a state. The new play area sounds brilliant and the children will really benefit.

Mission

We will create a **destination** playground.

An **inspiring**, **inclusive** and invigorating place that fires imaginations and promotes wellbeing. It will be **sustainable** and in-keeping with our beautiful park.



We're aiming to raise at least £200k. I know that sounds a lot, but we know that there are local flagship playgrounds, which many of our local community travel to due to the poor offering in Chesham, that cost over £200,000.

Provide Create Promote a new, imaginative and an inspiring play space positive attitudes to Chesham's heritage and the importance of that will please, excite, children and young community life for physically challenging enhance the look and play experience for the challenge and stimulate people in the feel of the park children. children and young the children's community through people of Chesham and play opportunities and imagination surrounding towns and providing a safe environment for play as villages part of our approach to a sustainable community

The new play space in Lowndes Park will be based on extensive research and consultation and reflect the park <u>Masterplan</u>.

Timeline



Spring / Summer 2023

Love Lowndes began!

We formed as a group, created a plan and brand and launched at the Chesham Schools Carnival and started fundraising

Autumn / Winter 2023 A season of events

Comedy shows at the Elgiva, The Pumpkin Parade, Film Screenings and more- lots of fun was had and money raised.

Spring 2024

Grant Applications begin We identified key grants and started the process of applications

Autumn 2024 Sponsorship opportunities (yup, that's you!)



Winter 2024

Design and Polish

Final fundraising, selecting a designer and adding all the elements that make it a destination playground!

Spring 2025

The Big Build!

We plan to build in early 2025.

Community



Chesham's community has come out in force to support Love Lowndes already. From our Pumpkin Parade, to events at the Elgiva, Chesham United's support to small local groups like the Squirrel Scouts doing a litter pick - it's been incredible.

We now need local business to show they are with us and push us over the line to deliver a playground we can be proud of.



Opportunities

FOR YOU!

There are many benefits and opportunities available to you in supporting Love Lowndes.

- · A lasting legacy in the heart of our town
- Brand awareness and enhancement
- Improving the local area and therefore the economy
- Invitation to our Grand Opening event

This is a chance to shout about what you do and how you support amazing causes.

Secure your place on our Honours Board

We will have a permanent* interpretation board in the playground celebrating our amazing sponsors.

Туре	#	Benefit	£
Platinum	3	Large logo / name on the top of the board	£5,000
Gold	5	Medium logo / name on second line	£3,000
Silver	10	Brand / name listed on third line	£1,600
Bronze	3	Small plaque on a bench or picnic table	£1,000

Finances

We've currently raised over £155,000

Our minimum target to build was £150,000 which means we're going ahead. But that would only deliver a basic park.

To create the inclusive, beautifully designed and destination park we need for Chesham, we need your help to raise that to £200K.

Donations to date:

Source	£	Details
Chesham Town Council	£35,000	Taken from CIL funding budget 2022
Chesham and Villages Community Board	£10,000	We made a successful application to their 2024 funding round
Love Lowndes Activities	£25,000	Crowdfunder donations, Elgiva Comedy Night & Kids Show, Film Screening, Pumpkin Parade, Schools Mufti Day and donations from groups such as Damon Singers and Squirrel Scouts.
Veolia Environmental Trust and Rothchild Foundation	£85,000	We've made successful applications to various grant bodies and are applying to more.

Your donation makes all the difference

Key Team



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Please get in touch with Claire if you'd like to find out more about Love Lowndes and discuss sponsorship opportunities.

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