



Halton Lodge

Play Space To Reduce Anti-Social Behaviour

Client: Cosmopolitan Housing

Address: Whitchuch Way, Halton Lodge, Runcorn, WA7

Budget: £50,000

Age Range: 8-16 years

Project Story

The area was run down and rife with anti-social behaviour and Cosmopolitan Housing were challenged to change this. Cosmopolitan Housing were initially keen to have a MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) however after meeting Proludic, who presented an array of options, they decided to install the more popular MUSA (Multi Use Sports Area) concept. Proludic helped Cosmopolitan Housing run a consultation event with local children and residents ensuring the facilities chosen were what the community wanted.

Proludic were able to design a dynamic play area suited to the 8-13 age range as stipulated by the Playbuilder funding stream. However additional pieces of equipment such as the Pod Swing and Gyro Spiral Seesaw meant that children from younger age groups could also use the play area.

In the 6 months prior to the project completion Cosmopolitan Housing received 44 complaints of anti-social behaviour incidents involving young people whereas in the 6 months after they received only 4. Local primary school children even renamed the play area 'Buddy's Place' following a competition.



It is great to see this once run down, often misused space really become a social hub for the community. Cosmopolitan and Proludic assisted greatly with consultations and site visits has helped massively to achieve our goal.



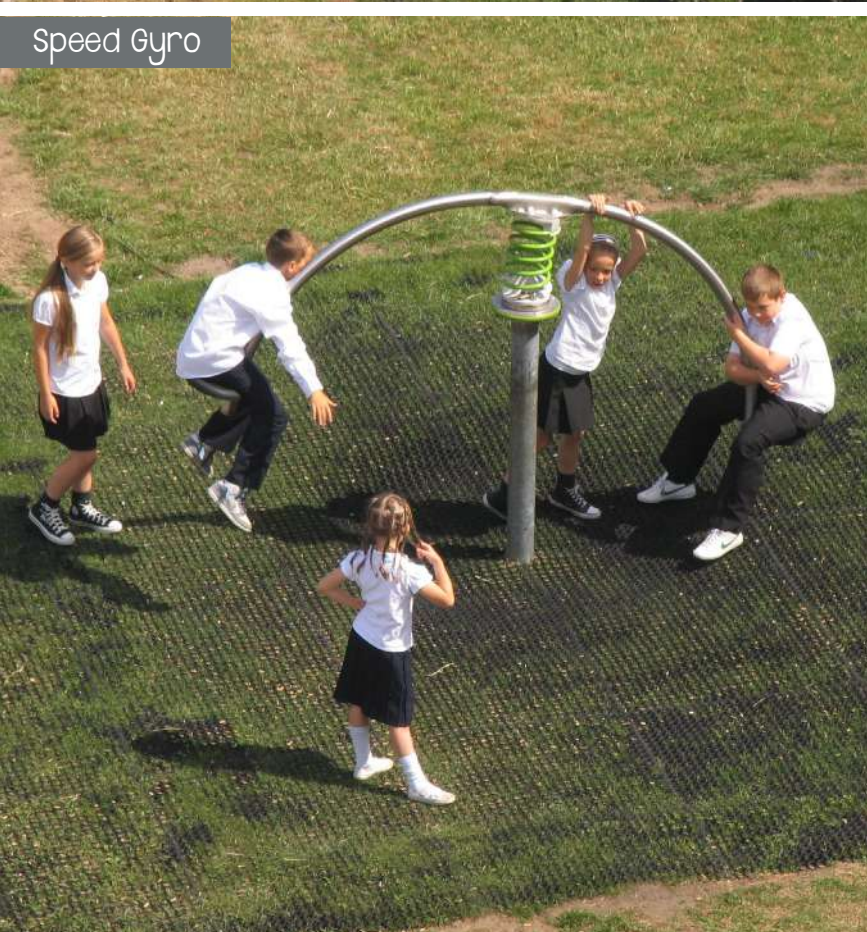
- Kristene Karaski, Regeneration Officer, Cosmopolitan Housing



Bilbox Sky Rail



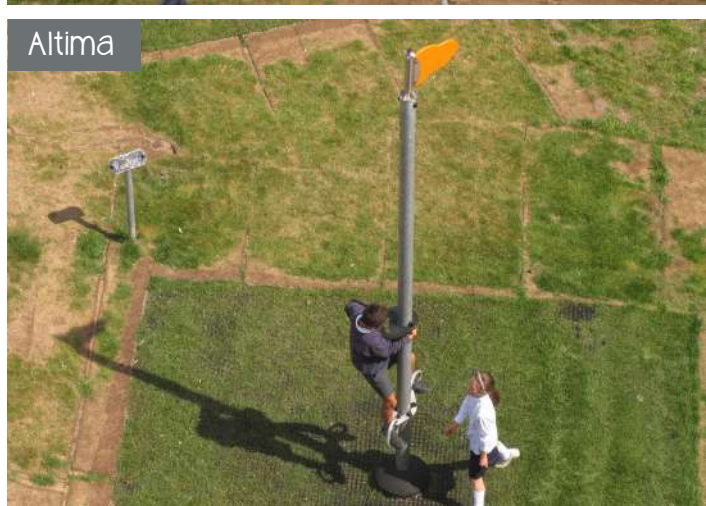
Speed Gyro



Pod Swing



Altima



Reducing Anti-Social Behaviour

A major cause of anti-social behaviour calls are because children are playing in the wrong places and causing problems for businesses and residents. Providing children with facilities such as a MUGA or dynamic equipment gives them a safe place to play, benefiting the whole community, not just the children that use it.