

West Green Play Area Updated Play Provision for All Abilities

Budget: £80,000

Project Story

West Green Park is an easy walk from the local town centre and comprises of grass areas, cricket pitch, bowls, tennis courts and a children's play area. The play area was set for a makeover and Crawley Borough Council asked their residents what they wanted to see during a consultation process. This was an exciting opportunity for the local children and families to get involved within the project and get the modern play equipment they need within their local park. The community decided that a railway theme was fitting in the toddler area, in recognition of the historical importance of the West Green station locally.

Inclusivity and bright colours were the most common requests throughout the local community. Proludic selected highly inclusive and bright play equipment to meet the resident's needs, catering for toddler, juniors and families of all abilities.

Construction methods had to be sympathetic to the avenue of old trees running parallel to the park. Foundations for certain pieces of equipment had to be hand dug to avoid any root damage. Proludic worked in tandem with the council's tree specialists to ensure this stage went smoothly.



"The new park looks wonderful and I am pleased that much of the new equipment is inclusive to children of all abilities. It is important for play equipment to cater for every child, such as having bright colours and lots of space to enjoy free play. It is wonderful to see that children are already enjoying the new equipment."

Councillor Chris Cheshire - The Mayor of Crawley









Inclusive Play

Children with disabilities are like any other children, in that to progress they need to develop their cognitive, psychomotor and social skills as well as their independence. They need to engage in the same activities as their friends, within their own capacities: climbing, jumping, running, touching, imagining ... for their own benefit and to be able to share and interact with others. They want to enjoy themselves like everyone else, with everyone else.

At Proludic, inclusion is a key aspect of our philosophy because we believe that all children should have access to play and to

the same play facilities.



