



Hastings Adventure Playground

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What is Hastings Adventure Playground

Hastings adventure playground has been established as a place at the centre of the community where children can play free of concerns and without the outside world interfering.

Our aim is to provide an environment that supports the children's play and a space that reaches out to meet needs within the community

The playground has been closed since March 2020 and we are looking to reopen once the current lockdown is over and it is safe to do so.

We are tidying up and organising the space making it ready for children to come back in to an environment that invigorates, excites and challenges.

We are creating a place where no matter what, children and their play is completely at the centre of everything we will be doing.

It will be a safe and secure environment for all the children in the community!

Our core work is about providing a place where the children can play without judgement or instruction from adults as this provides them with a much richer play experience and is fundamental for development.

Hastings Adventure Playground also aims to be of service to the community in Ore Valley which is the 11th most deprived parish in the country. It is an area of deep poverty with 73% unemployment. As we become more familiar with our community we will adapt to provide what is of the most benefit to them.

Having access to a playground and such a pure play experience is something that will change every child's life! Did you ever have that special youth group, or teacher in school, or activity you did as a child which made such an impact on you that you still remember it today? For the children of our community. having this playground will do that for them.

Hastings Adventure Playground is exciting: It is vibrant, welcoming, and a place where the child's opinion will be heard, believed and valued.

The Playground is homed in the massive space of the old coach works on the Broomgrove estate on the Ore Valley. In our grounds we will plant native trees and create a community vegetable garden where the whole community will be encouraged to engage in our work and support the playground. We will be looking to the members of our community for their ideas and input, uplifting everyone's spirits.

Hastings Adventure Playground is completely free for the community and provides a space where the children can go after school and in the school holidays where they can socialise with their peers and find exciting things to do with their time.

The playground is staffed by playworkers whose role is to ensure that children can play without interruption, without interference and in ways of their own choosing.

Children all the way up to 18 will have the opportunity to build structures, engage with the natural world, be creative, have adventures, meet old friends and make new ones.

Hastings Adventure playground is operated by the in2play CIC a social enterprise which is a non-profit making organisation with charitable objectives.