

# Mary Baily

## Summary of the Main Points to come from the Public Meeting on Saturday 30 January 2016

### What you said...

- This is one of the best places in Frome for children and families to play – so the focus on play, recreation & sports is just right
  - New play opportunities would be great – and they should aim to be inclusive and exciting; and to add variety to what's already here
  - Just as importantly, the grass in the middle should now be left as grass for impromptu and informal play & recreation. Football, picnics, running around – these sorts of things
  - A few more benches wouldn't go amiss, especially in and around the play area
  - Shaded areas around the space would be good - again in and around the play area
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### What we're doing...

- ✓ We're updating the joint plan for Victoria Park & Mary Baily that was discussed at the meeting, and an updated plan will be presented for discussion at March's Council meeting
- ✓ Assuming the plan is approved at that meeting – in part or in full - we'll get started on the changes & improvements that have funding in place
- ✓ Where we don't have funding in place at the moment, we'll start looking at funding options

### Changes to the plan that was presented in January...

By and large the plan is staying the same. There are a few minor tweaks, though...

- We've moved some the new play opportunities being suggested so they wrap their way around the central grass area a bit more logically
- This means the trike trail joins up with the skatepark on the opposite side of the park...
- ...whilst the water play is now slightly closer to the existing play area (so slightly further from the boundary with Somerset Road)
- This has encouraged us to focus on wildlife and some planting in the area under the trees and near the hedge along Somerset Road – with the aim of using natural features and planting here to complement and improve site drainage

### Miscellaneous...

- How about floodlights for the MUGA and the tennis courts?
- Going forward, could the skatepark be improved and/or extended? And could it be built in concrete rather than traditional ramps?