

Packsaddle

Neighbourhood play in a quiet spot - with views to the north and north-east of Frome

Away from the town centre, Packsaddle offers green space and opportunities to play in a quiet residential area to the north of Frome.

The play area is a climb from the town centre; following Packsaddle Way after you've gone up the hills of either Grange Road or Park Hill Drive.

The climb up is worth it, though. There are great views to the north of Frome; and you can easily find your way into the neighbourhood countryside from here.

Or just stop to let the little ones play for a bit!

What you'll find here already

A fenced play area with swings, stepping logs and springy things

Picnic benches with views to the north of Frome

Grass for running about; rolling; playing; kicking a ball and generally having fun

Mature trees, adding to the landscape

A boundary hedge for birds, bugs and other wildlife

Community events, including festival carols

Next steps

Supporting the local residents with their community events

Adding £7,500 of new play equipment following a community vote on what to do next

Replacing and updating the play equipment as it gets dated and worn

Repairs to the existing play surfacing, especially around the edges

New planting around the play area, including tree planting and bulb planting

Improved signage on site

Some new places to sit down

Technical Summary

Main habitat typology: Grassland

Play & recreation value: Medium

Value for sport: Low

Landscape value: Medium

Habitat value: Low

Amenity value: Low to medium

Management Summary

We manage Packsaddle for its play, recreation and amenity value; and - because of the views to the north of the town - for its landscape value.

Approved at Council Matters: December 2018

Review schedule: Every 18 months

Next scheduled review: Summer 2020