

Neighbourhood Area: East

Community & Neighbourhood Manager: Carol Jones

Community engagement officer: Jeff Compton

Neighbourhood officer: Janine Paice

Walkabout Area:
Sale Road recreation ground

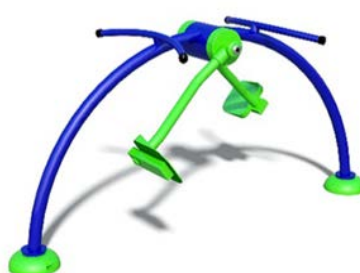
Resident feedback

Norwich City Council has been trying hard recently to encourage people to take their health seriously and to participate in more exercise. We understand that sometimes people find gym membership too expensive and difficult to get to because of travel arrangements.

Last summer we installed outdoor gym equipment in Woodrow Pilling Park that was free to use. This has proved to be very popular and well used by lots of different people of all ages, shapes and sizes. Due to its popularity we thought the residents of Heartsease may like something similar. However the equipment is expensive to install, and we only want to install it if people will use it.

During early January Jeff Compton (Community engagement officer) and Janine Paice (Neighbourhood officer) carried out a door knocking/letter drop evening, surveying 350 local people to get feedback about whether they were in favour of an outdoor gym and the types of equipment they might be interested in. Students of the Open academy were also surveyed.

Here are some examples of the types of outdoor gym equipment that could be available:-



Walkabouts for your neighbourhood



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As an incentive for people to give us some feedback, anyone who participated in our survey were entered into a prize draw to win a £50 John Lewis voucher. Here is our lucky winner below



We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our survey. Out of the people we surveyed the vast majority were strongly in favour of the project. The council will now work to identify a budget and timeline for the installation of this equipment. Further surveys will take place prior to the commencement of any works.

We hope you found this report helpful.

To see the programme of when and where we will be for the next three months please visit our website www.norwich.gov.uk and look up Walkabouts on the A to Z.

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