

# Children's Play Builder Application Form

For projects to be completed before April 09

## 1 Project Name

## 2 Organisation Name (Main Applicant)

## 3 Organisation Address

Postcode

Contact Name

Contact telephone number

#### 4 What sector does this organisation fit into

Public Sector

Private Sector

Voluntary & Community Sector

Other (please describe)

#### 5 Project Location

In the tables below, tell us where this project will be delivered and its post code.

In some cases an individual project will be delivered in more than one place. If so, tell us the locations and postcodes for each delivery location. If the project is delivered through outreach work or covers a wide area, then tell us the postcode of where the project is based. Estimate the percentage of our funding for the individual project that will be used to deliver the project in each location.

| <b>Location of Activity</b>            | <b>Location Postcode</b> | <b>Percentage per location</b><br>If the individual project is only going to be delivered in one place |
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| E.g. The Adventure Playground, Enfield | N15 4RY                  | 100%   |
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#### 6 Project Descriptions

Describe the project. Please include plans, quotes and other documentation you feel is relevant and available.

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| Max of 300 words |
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## 7 Project beneficiaries

Tell us about the people and organisations that will mostly benefit from the project and, in particular how many Children and Young People will benefit directly from the project

Max 100 words

Estimated number of beneficiaries

Age group of beneficiaries

## 8 How does this fit best with Play objectives and priorities

**Objective 1;** The provision extends the choice and control that children have over their play, the freedom they enjoy and the satisfaction they gain from it.

Max 20 words

**Objective 2;** The provision recognises the child's needs to test boundaries and responds positively to that need.

Max 20 words

**Objective 3;** The provision manages the balance between the need to offer risk and the need to keep children safe from harm.

Max 20 words

**Objective 4;** The provision maximises the range of play opportunities

Max 20 words

**Objective 5;** The provision fosters independence and self esteem

Max 20 words

**Objective 6;** The provision fosters children's respect for others and offers opportunities for social interaction

Max 20 words

**Objective 7;** The provision fosters the child's well-being, healthy growth and development, knowledge and understanding, creativity and capacity to learn.

Max 20 words

(These seven play objectives take account of those in 'Best Play; what play provision should do for children)

## 9 Project Costs

Fill in the following table to show us how much the project will cost, what funding (if any) you plan to secure from other sources and the total contribution required from the play funding.

|                                    |   |
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| Total Project Cost                 | £ |
| Funding required from Play Builder | £ |
| Match funding currently available  | £ |

How have you calculated the project costs? Tell us on what basis they have calculated and any assumptions you have made and any initial quotations received.

Please attach a breakdown of project costs, e.g. groundwork, design fees etc

Please attach a detailed project plan which contains a start date, end date and key milestones.

## 10 Delivery

Please provide information on the delivery strands below

- Why is the organisation that will deliver this project the most appropriate one?

- Tell us about your organisations skills and experience in this area of work and their ability to deliver the project.

- Who will be responsible for maintaining the project once complete and have you their agreement to do this?

- Who owns the land and is it in the applicant's control?

- How have Children & Young People and others been engaged/involved on the development of this Project.

- In terms of partnership working who else is involved in the project and what is their level of commitment?

- Does your project require planning permission? If so have you got it and if not when is it likely to be granted/declined?

- How can you show that your project is a priority to meet the needs of Young People in your area?

- How can you show that your project ensures that capital investment is sustainable in terms of protection of sites against vandalism and ongoing maintenance of the site?

- How can you show that your project considers environmental impact of its investment and that serious consideration has been given to refurbishments of play areas using natural materials?

- How can you show that your project ensures that the site is open access with children generally free to come and go as they please and free of charge?

- How can you show that your project will carry out risk assessments to ensure safety of play areas developed?

**11 Additional Information**

Please tell us what would happen if this application is not successful.

By completing this form I agree that the details submitted will be used for the purposes of contacting myself or organisation with regards to the Play Builder Programme. I also enclose a supporting letter from District/Borough Play Partnerships.

Signature:..... Date:.....

Position Held.....

When complete please return to:

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**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION: Midnight on the 18<sup>th</sup> July 2008**

## Appendix A

### Guidance for PLAYBUILDER Applications

#### Partnership Working:

1. Have you contacted your local Play Partnership for advice and support
2. How are you demonstrating partnership working with other agencies including the community and voluntary sector? (Please list partners/agencies)
3. How have you consulted with children, young people and their families, local stakeholders and your local MP's?
4. Have you considered utilising any existing skills within the community eg local businesses that would be able to supply free time/equipment, retired volunteers offering to maintain the site

#### Documentation:

5. How does your proposal fit in with your local play strategy?
6. How are you meeting the Best Play objectives? (See attached)
7. How does your proposal link into the Children's Plan?

#### Selected site:

8. How has the site been selected as the most appropriate?
9. Who owns the land?
10. Is the site a community space? (Must not be a school site).
11. How have you demonstrated the need for the project?
12. Is the site accessible to its users?
13. How many children will have access to the site?
14. How will the site be maintained?
15. How is the play area overcoming barriers to play? Eg traffic, anti-social behaviour/crime and parental confidence.
16. How is your proposal empowering local community groups and strengthening community regeneration?
17. Is the site open access so children are free to independently come and go as they please?
18. How will this site be marketed?

#### Site Features:

19. Is it attractive to children?
20. Is it innovative and creative in design?
21. How have you demonstrated equality of opportunity and inclusivity?
22. How is your proposal demonstrating risk and challenge whilst maintaining safety?
23. How have you made use of the natural environment/landscaping and materials?
24. Does your proposal meet the needs of the 8-13 year target age range?
25. How does your proposal encourage and enable physically active play?

#### Funding:

26. Is this project match funded or do you require 100% funding?
27. How have you considered sustainability?
28. How have you enabled the site is free of charge to access?

#### Future vision:

29. Have you considered possible uses of the site by other groups?
30. What is your future vision for this site?

## The Seven Play Objectives

**Objective One:** The provision extends the choice and control that children have over their play, the freedom they enjoy and the satisfaction they gain from it

**Objective Two:** The provision recognises the child's need to test boundaries and responds positively to that need

**Objective Three:** The provision manages the balance between the need to offer risk and the need to keep children safe from harm

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**Objective Five:** The provision fosters independence and self-esteem

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**Objective Seven:** The provision fosters the child's well-being, healthy growth and development, knowledge and understanding, creativity and capacity to learn.

(These seven play objectives take account of those in '[Best play: what play provision should do for children.](#)')

(<http://www.playwork.org.uk/Quanta/documents>)

## **Appendix B**

### **Supporting Information for PLAYBUILDER Applications**

#### **Innovation**

- The Plan should set out how the Recipient will provide innovative and stimulating equipment and landscaping on sites that will deliver physically active play opportunities, which are attractive to all children, including 8-13 year-olds.

#### **Engagement**

- The Plan should contain details of how the Recipient intends to involve children and young people, parents, carers and the wider community and locally-elected members in the decisions about where and how the Grant will be spent. This must go deeper than one-off consultation and should seek to engage and involve them throughout the process. It must also include children seen as 'hard to reach', whom the Recipient may need to access through voluntary and community sector groups. The Support Body will be able to advise Recipients with less experience in this area.
- The Plan should detail arrangements for encouraging bids from community and Third sector groups, given their play expertise and direct experience of working in the community with children, families and other residents. The Department would expect each Recipient to look to fund a number of appropriate Third sector and/or community-led projects, in line with their established procurement procedures.

#### **Access**

- The Plan should set out how the Recipient will ensure that sites are open-access (with children generally free to come and go as they please) and free of charge. They must also ensure better access and experiences for disabled children across all the sites that are developed. This must include ensuring that all developments of play areas comply with the disability discrimination legislation.

#### **Safety**

- The Plan should show how the Recipient will carry out risk assessments to ensure the safety of play areas developed, and also how the Recipient will ensure that children are able to travel to and from play areas in safety. This may be in the form of making links with other projects aimed at safer travel for children. However, the Capital Grant may not be used for such purposes as traffic-calming.

#### **Operational sustainability**

- The Plan should show how the Recipient will ensure that the capital investment is sustainable in terms of protection of sites against vandalism and ongoing maintenance of sites. Approaches will need to vary according to the location of the play area. The Support Body will be able to advise. Recipients should also look to maximise the use of other capital assets to support their play investment.

#### **Environmental sustainability**

- The Plan should set out the Recipient's consideration of the environmental impact of its investment, and the Recipient should give serious consideration to sustainable refurbishment of play areas using natural materials which encourage children to explore the natural environment.