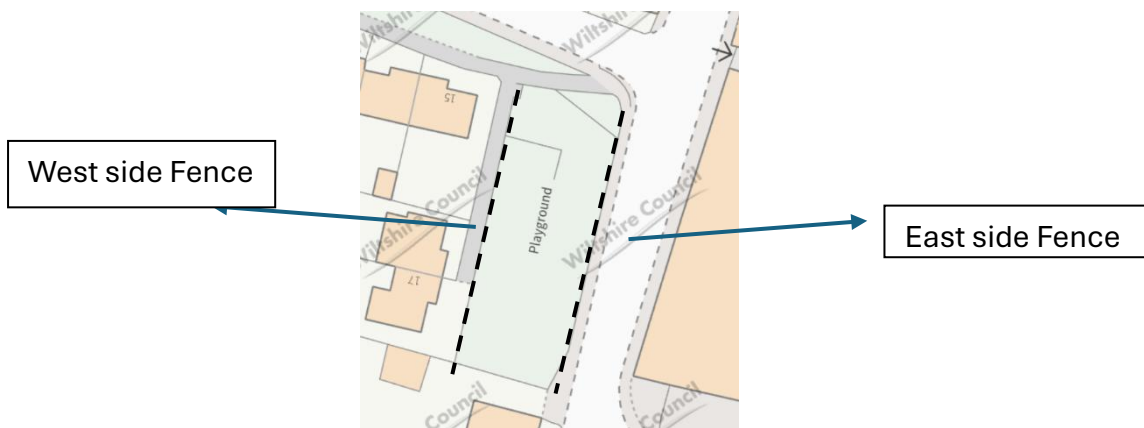


Date of Report	01 June 2026
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Title:	Replacement Fence at Pound Street Play Park

1.0 Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To seek approval to replace the existing deteriorated boundary fencing on the west and east sides of Pound Street Park, in order to improve public safety, enhance site security, and improve the overall appearance of the park.



2.0 Background

- 2.1 The existing fence at Pound Street Park has reached the end of its serviceable life and is in poor condition. Sections of the fencing and concrete posts are damaged and no longer provide a suitable boundary to the play area. Replacement works are required to maintain a safe and secure environment for park users and to reduce ongoing maintenance liabilities.



Above Picture *West side of the park*

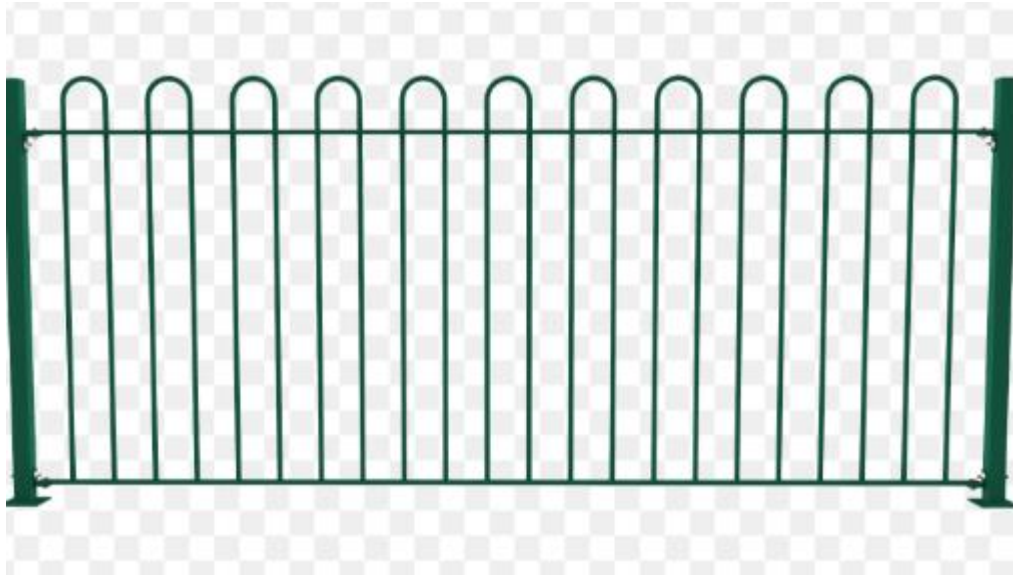


Above Picture *East side of the park*

3.0 Scope of Work – West Side

3.1 The proposed works will include the following:

- 3.1.1 Removal and disposal of all existing netting and associated arisings from site.
- 3.1.2 Cutting off existing concrete posts approximately 150mm below ground level and disposing of all arisings.
- 3.1.3 Cutting down existing plants and stumps adjacent to the fence line and removing all waste from site.
- 3.1.4 Supply and installation of approximately 1.2m high Bowtop Playspec galvanised fencing along the existing fence line.
- 3.1.5 Reinstatement of any damaged grassed areas by topsoiling and seeding where required.



Picture of the Bowtop Fence.

4.0 Scope of Work – East side

- 4.1 The proposed works will include the following:
 - 4.1.1 Dismantle existing chainlink and angle iron support post and dispose of arsing.
 - 4.1.2 Supply and fit 1.8 height Black Powder Coated Angle Iron Posts to existing concrete posts.
 - 4.1.3 Supply and fix 1.8m height Green Plastic Coated Chainlink Netting to new Angle Iron Posts.
- 4.2 All works will be carried out by a suitably qualified contractor in accordance with current standards and specifications.

5.0 Cost

- 5.1 The estimated cost of the replacement fencing works is £9,700.00 plus VAT.
- 5.2 Only one quotation has been received for these works, submitted by Parson Landscapes.
- 5.3 Kompan reached out to a number of local contractors; however, due to current workload pressures, the contractors contacted were unable to quote for the fence replacement and declined the opportunity to quote, as they do not currently have the capacity to provide quotations or complete the works within suitable timescales.
- 5.4 Given these constraints and the limited contractor availability, the quotation received from Parson Landscapes represents the only viable submission obtained at this time.

6.0 Contingency Allowance

- 6.1 A contingency allowance has been included to cover any unforeseen works or ground conditions encountered during the project.

Contingency Allowance: £300.00

Total Project Cost (excluding VAT): £10,000.00 VAT to be applied at the prevailing rate.

7.0 Health and Safety Recommendation

- 7.1 The replacement of the fence is recommended on health and safety grounds. The existing fencing presents a potential risk to park users due to its deteriorated condition and instability. The proposed works will provide a secure and compliant boundary to the play area, reducing the risk of injury and unauthorised access.
- 7.2 All contractors appointed to undertake the works will be required to comply with current Health and Safety legislation, including the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015.

8.0 Financial Implications

- 8.1 Provision for the proposed works can be met from the Council's EMR Outside Service 318.
- 8.2 The installation of new galvanised Bowtop and Chain Link fencing is expected to reduce future maintenance costs and provide a longer operational lifespan compared with the existing installation.

9.0 Recommendation

- 9.1 It is recommended that the Council approves the replacement of the existing fence at Pound Street Park, including the associated removal works, installation of new Bowtop Playspec galvanised and chain link fencing, and reinstatement works, at a total estimated cost of £10,000.00 excluding VAT.

Kevin Whitehorn

28 May 2026

End of Report