

PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

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Harborfields Community Playground **Outreach Response & Recommendations**

The Town of Huntington's planning and engineering staff reviewed the responses received during the open public comment period on the design plans for the Harborfields Community Playground renovation project.

The Town sincerely appreciates the community's input, suggestions, and advice. Your concern and involvement is important to the success of the proposed joint project by the Town and the Harborfields School District to renovate the well-loved community playground and make it accessible to those of all abilities. The comments received fell under about a half dozen general categories:

- Paved Walkway
- Access to the Library
- Basketball Court Layout
- Traffic & Pedestrian Safety
- Playground Equipment
- Seating for Adults

The Harborfields Community Playground renovation is being undertaken pursuant to the 2017 agreement between the Town and the School District. The agreement's scope of work includes renovations to and increased access to the children's playground next to Ann Street. All comments were reviewed. Those pertaining to other potential improvements have been categorized for potential consideration at a subsequent time.

Based on community input directly related to the agreed scope of work, the Town and School District will make the following updates to the playground design:

1. The Wyckoff Street entrance to playground will remain where it is.
2. The paved walkway will be rerouted further from the basketball court.
3. Playground signage (W15-1) will be added as safety advisory to motorists.
4. The Town will install benches and shade trees as part of the project.
5. The proposed "bongo" panel will be replaced with a quieter musical panel.

As preparations for the renovation move ahead, the Town and School District thank and acknowledge all of the community members who have worked to maintain the playground's status as a community asset.

