



## **NEW PLAYGROUND IS OPEN IN KITTY BREWSTER WARD**

Blyth Town Council is thrilled to announce the opening of a brand-new playground in the Kitty Brewster Ward, providing an exciting space for children aged 3-16 to enjoy. The much-anticipated playground, situated between Lonsdale Avenue and Glendale Avenue, is designed to offer inclusive play facilities for the entire community.

In response to the requests from residents for a dedicated play area in Kitty Brewster, a comprehensive consultation exercise was conducted in March 2023 to understand the community's needs and desires. The results of this survey demonstrated overwhelming support for the development of a new play area in the estate.

Members of the Environment Committee reviewed the feedback and unanimously approved the proposal to install this state-of-the-art playground. Following a competitive process, the contract for this project was awarded to Wicksteed, a renowned leader in the field of creating engaging play spaces. Wicksteed commenced work at the beginning of September 2023 to bring the community's vision to life. The project was funded by Blyth Town Council with an additional contribution from the Ward County Councillor, Wojciech Ploszaj, from his Member's Local Improvement Scheme Funding budget to enhance the inclusive play facilities already provided in the original design.

The Kitty Brewster playground was officially opened on Friday, October 13th, 2023, by Blyth Town Council's Mayor, Councillor Warren Taylor. The playground's unique design and features promise to provide a safe and enjoyable environment for children to explore, develop, and have fun.

Councillor Warren Taylor, Mayor of Blyth Town Council, expressed his enthusiasm about this new addition to the community:

"I am delighted to see this wonderful playground come to life in Kitty Brewster. It's the result of a collaborative effort, involving input from our residents, the Environment Committee, and dedicated professionals. This space will undoubtedly bring joy and laughter to the children of our community for years to come. It's a testament to the strength of our community that we can come together to make these projects a reality.

"The new Kitty Brewster playground features modern equipment, engaging play structures, and safety measures to ensure the well-being of all children. This space aims to foster creativity, physical activity, and social interaction, making it an invaluable asset to the local community. I'd like to thank everyone who participated in the consultation process, and I look forward to seeing children and families relishing the new playground," said Mayor Taylor.