



My Ref: FOI 5713
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Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

With reference to what was known as the Brierley Town Hall and adjacent lands, which were sold some years ago. I have been reliably informed that this building and lands were sold the day before they were due to be sold at Auction. According to CISWO a previous manager had complained that they had not been informed and he made a complaint, but too late to stop the sale.

What exactly had occurred for this to be sold without consent from CISWO?

The Council was in communication with CISWO from the 23rd April 2018 regarding the disposal of land and property. The property was sold at auction on the 22nd October 2019, completing on the 22nd November 2019. Unfortunately, CISWO formal consent was not obtained until the 3rd March 2020.

All meetings and minutes with dates etc associated to this land/buildings in anyway.

Cabinet approval (Cab.19.9.2018/16) for the disposal of land and property at Grimethorpe Miner Welfare ground was obtained on the 19th September 2018 and ratified by Full Council on the 27th September 2018, the reports can be accessed via the following link:

[Search results for Grimethorpe Welfare Park](#)

Exactly what building and lands legally belonging to the Charity CISWO that had been sold?

Please see attached disposal plan reference DV148A.

What was the original asking price on the Auction site?

The Guide price at auction was £180,000 (One hundred and eighty thousand pounds) based on the independent valuation completed in accordance with the Charities Act 2011.

How much was this sold for?

The property was sold for £168,000k (One hundred and sixty-eight thousand pounds).

Was this money ring fenced and put into a separate account and was audited so it wasn't used for anything other than agreed by CISWO Charity?

The capital receipt less fees and costs, approved by CISWO has been ringfenced for expenditure within Grimethorpe Miners Welfare Park.

The potential use of the proceeds as approved by CISWO is to be used for;

- updating the existing children's playground equipment and surfacing, updating the skate park.
- Installation of new multi-use games area and
- Improvements to the existing infrastructure including access footpath and pavilion building improvements.

What was the money raised used for and the audit trail for all monies spent. The 106 monies raised?

The capital receipt less fees and costs, approved by CISWO has been ringfenced for expenditure within Grimethorpe Miners Welfare Park.

The Planning Authority have confirmed that they have no records of s106 monies associate with this site.

Where this money has been used and spent, again with a full audit trail.

The capital receipt has been used for the following purposes;

Grimethorpe Park capital project	completed	£154,994.08
N-00971-001-001		
Access improvements - Central Avenue	X	
Access improvements - Clifton Road	X	
Access improvements - Park Ave 1	X	
Access improvements - Park Ave 2	X	
New Hand Rail	X	
Replacement bins	X	
Reinstate Angling pegs	X	
Tarmac steps from Clear View	X	
Reinstate Tarmac footway and block paving	X	
A Frame for the Dell	X	
New water safety sign for the Dell	X	

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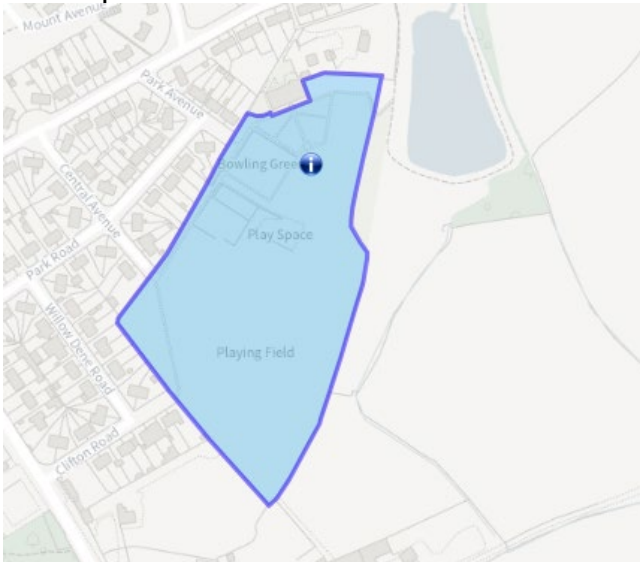
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Phase 1 - climber for all	X	
Retaining Wall repairs	X	
Picnic benches	X	
Kickabout posts	X	
skate park refurb	X	
Bulb planter	X	
EHS trees with cages	X	
Running total		132,476.39
Remaining		23,457.69

Is there anymore land belonging to CISWO either on this site or other sites in Brierley?

The remaining land forming Grimethorpe Miners Welfare Park is shown coloured blue on the plan below and accessed from Clifton Road, Central Avenue and Park Avenue.



Brierley Miners Welfare Recreation Ground is a further Miners Welfare Ground located off Common Road, Brierley and shown coloured blue below.

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