

FOI number: **HBC_FOI_20200055**
Date FOI Received: **21/01/2020**
Department: **Parks**
Title: **Public Play Facilities Expenditure**
Description: **The amount spent on public outdoor play facilities in 2019 and budgeted for 2020.**

Request: (As Redacted sent by requestor)

The Association of Play Industries (API) has previously carried out FOI research to establish the extent to which public play areas are being retained, increased or reduced. We would like to update this research with a view to lobbying central government for funding. To that end, we would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. The amount expended in fiscal year 2019 (including any remaining forecasted spending) on public outdoor play facilities including capital, revenue and maintenance costs.
2. The amount budgeted to be spent in fiscal year 2020 on public outdoor play facilities including capital, revenue and maintenance costs.

Response: (Response as Redacted sent by service)

1. The total is £195,953.42.

2. The amount budgeted total is £585,458.07*

***Please be advised that this will be subjected to a percentage increase that has not been applied at this stage to contractor costs.**

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Thank you for your request.

Kind regards

Information Services