

Community Sports Consultation

Kevin Mathie Fitness Park Fisherman's Walk



Working in partnership



Background

Inspired by the success of funding the delivery of Geva Mentor Fitness Park at Toft Steps in 2022, the Steve Bernard Foundation charity is now looking to deliver a further fitness park, dedicated to the memory of Kevin Mathie, a constant support and friend to the Foundation.

The Kevin Mathie Fitness Park will sit adjacent to Café Riva at Fisherman's Walk promoting access for all and healthy living, supporting residents mental and physical well-being. The park will be free to use and suitable for all ages and abilities designed to improve cardio, strength, flexibility and better balance.

In addition to the park the Foundation will also be supporting the awareness of the bio-diverse habitats on the cliff top via two information boards.

BCP Council is supporting the Foundation by offering the space for the benefit of the local community, ensuring that the project is effectively managed and delivered.

The Steve Bernard Foundation (Charity Number 1167766) was formed in February 2006 and has since raised more than £800,000 and supported more than 600 sporting projects across the region.

As part of the process, as was undertaken at Toft Steps, consultation is being undertaken which will include an open day currently planned to be Saturday, 18 July.

Location



The Park will be located adjacent to Café Riva in the existing piece of fenced cliff top

It will be in its own enclosed area and will comply with permitted development rights and therefore not exceed 4m in height or 200m³ in capacity.

Visual Concept



- Mix of equipment
- Material and parts designed for coastal exposed location
- Compliant with relevant safety standards inc. EN1176 & EN16630
- Colour blended suitable for green space
- Compliant safety surface e.g. rubber mulch or grass rubber mat
- Equipment safety information signage incorporating sponsor/funder information
- 2 x Coastal Nature habitat information boards

Consultation

- Consultation to take place during July
- Consultation with Ward Councillors for all relevant wards
- Communication/meetings with local resident groups and organisations e.g. Friends of Fisherman's Walk, Seafield Gardens
- Press release out to local media
- Promotion through social media channels e.g. Council, Steve Bernard Foundation (SBF)
- Dedicated webpage on SBF website with opportunity to feedback online
<https://www.stevebernardfoundation.com/consultation>
- Proposed open day at the site promoted through channels and posters around the site including Café Riva. 18 July 10am – 7pm
- Potential for mobile fitness park to be provided by supplier for 2-3 weeks

