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I like that it is an area of open space on an otherwise tightly packed estate (saying that as a resident!). I like it's current value to wildlife, but this needs to be worked on and considered in the application	It has been left in a sorry state since the developers and contractors have left.	I am really pleased to hear this. I currently have a 1 year old and have no safe space to take him to play without having to get in the car and drive. The estate is crying out for a play area, especially with the amount of children who live here. I do see alot of children playing out on the roads, which isn't an issue in itself, but there are some drivers who drive too quickly around here and it does pose a safety risk for where the kids can go out and play.	Please take into consideration the wildlife this space could support - habitat piles, wildflower areas, interpretation boards, bird watching screens could all increase children's interests in nature (especially on a new build estate!) and encourage people to look after the area a bit more. A safe place for children to play ball games on the grassed area would also be nice!
	I like nothing about the open space, it is a complete waste of space at the moment and could be put to much better use.	I'd love it if we got a park, I live at 462 croston road and currently my kids have no parks in a short walking distance, the closest is on leadale- whereas this is a stones throw. My daughter is disabled and I would love to be able to nip to a local park.	I would love for the park to be a mix of the play equipment at Ryden Avenue and St Paul's with a football pitch like at Bent lane too. I think appealing to a younger age would be better as my son is 10 and will happily just play out with a football - but having somewhere secure for him to do this would be great.
I like the idea of having some natural landing around us.	The space not always kept neat and tidy, which can affect the street view.	I like the idea a lot, I'm just not sure how safe it will be for the kids with the traffic next to the playground?	Maybe worth considering some wild flower patches, for birds and bees.
Nice green space .		Great news!! A park would be lovely but would need to be considerate to tje houses near by.	If not a play area with equipment, a nice green space for kids to play football cricket on at least, or a dog walking area
The area should remain a green space to promote the nature birds / hedgehogs / bats as most of the habitat has been destroyed by the building of the large estates in Farington Moss area. Protection of bats should be paramount as in this area two houses near this proposed site have built in bat boxes.	The public path is not maintained and the hedges are not maintained.	The area is too small and should remain a grassed area rather than an area that affects the nature of this green space	Maintenance of the walkways and drainage.
	To close to residents on Lingard Close - Any thoughts for noise and the elderly on Lingard Close?	No need with the new park being built at the end of Croston Road - towards the tip	Grassed area with trees and flowers how Miller homes sold it to the proprietors on Lingard Road, Beconsaw Drive and surrounding areas
You don't get much green spaces on new build estates so it is kinda nice they left that space instead of sticking four more houses on it to maximise profits.	Nothing to dislike really but second to a green space would be a play park for children to enjoy.	It's in a good location with many housing estates in the immediate area with lots of young families.	My main concern is traffic and children running through parked cars to and from the park. A lot of cars already park on the bend as it goes left onto Croston Road and more cars could park up especially on a sunny day to enjoy the park. Double yellow lines around the junction and directly outside the park would be definitely needed.
It provides a picturesque opening to the estate which encourages and sustains the continued existence of the local population of wildlife, i.e. bats, hedgehogs and many species of birds, and the tree and plant life.	Nothing, it is absolutely fine as it is.	The proposed site is totally inappropriate. It is far too close to the houses on Lingard Close and is likely to cause unnecessary noise pollution and nuisance for the residents. It is highly likely children will play beyond the play area and spill out onto Lingard Close which is a quiet residential street. There is inadequate parking in the immediate area to facilitate people arriving to use the play area by car and there is certainly no parking space to accommodate parking on Lingard Close. The overall location is also unsuitable as the Croston Road and Beconsaw Drive junction area is busy all day long with a large flow of passing vehicular traffic and also with it being the main entrance to the estate. This makes the location a potentially dangerous to children playing at the location as it is highly unlikely that they will remain in the fenced area. There are safer open spaces within the Croston Meadows and Tilia housing estates. The ground at the proposed site is on top of the underground pipe work for the estate's surface water drainage system. We were previously informed that it cannot be built upon or used for anything other than an open space.	Plant more trees and shrubs which will maintain the overall appearance of the estate entrance and maintain and safeguard the wildlife. Repair the broken perimeter fencing.

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Like, green open area means good visibility when exiting Beconsaw Drive onto Croston Road.	Dislike the housing developer continually damaging the green area by using it as a works site for remedial works. General state of green area limits young children utilising it for playing football. It is very uneven, seems a waste of space which could be put to better use, for example with a play park.	Perfect for us, we have young children, there are lots of young children on the new estate and the Developer did not build a play park. The nearest play park is Leadale Road which is too far and not safe for children to travel to by themselves, Leyland Tiger junction is not safe to cross with no facilities for pedestrian crossings. Also the footpaths on the bridge at the side of AFL are too narrow, less than 1m and not safe for traversing with a pram or wheelchair. The space is wasted in its current state, there is substantial development the length of Croston Road and none of the new estates have a play park. I imagine a few people off the estate will likely complain that they don't want a park which would attract children / young adults and antisocial behaviour, however the reality is that there are not enough spaces for children to play considering the volume of new development in the area. A play park is absolutely needed at this location.	A small football / basketball pitch alongside the play park if enough room and does not impeded the visibility of the Beconsaw Drive / Croston Road junction.
This was a designated open space and given the entire west side of Croston road has been turned into houses there is nowhere left for the environment to go. Keep this wild and safe, leave the wildlife be.	Cars travel too fast and would be an accident waiting to happen. Leave it as it is.	Accident waiting to happen. Vehicles travel too fast up and down Croston road. Would also attract thugs from other nearby neighbourhoods.	Tidy the existing area up and reinstate the wooden fences. Yearly wild flowers like elsewhere in south ribble
Currently It gives a pleasant opening to the estate which encourages and sustains the various wildlife that we have such as hedgehogs/ bats / birds and fauna.	It is ok being a green area something that local authorities are asking residents to be mindful of yet you are proposing to destroy this green area.	The proposed suggestion of a play area is unsuitable due to the location of the houses on Lingard Close and is likely to cause issues with noise pollution and this area has insufficient parking for persons using the proposed play area subsequently creating major parking issues on a busy junction. Also a health and safety issue with the potential of children running in the roads of Croston Road and Beaconsaw Drive. The proposed site is on top of the underground pipe work for the estates water system, we were informed that this land would have to remain unbuilt on and be a grassed area. There are more suitable locations for such a play area within the new residential locations in Farington Moss with several new estates being allowed to be built. Something in the middle of these estates would be a more productive and safer plan.	Plant more trees and shrubs to help with the ecological systems and promote wildlife. It will improve the overall appearance of what is becoming a large housing estate. Repair the perimeter fencing.
It's a great space that would benefit from being utilised and a children's play area would be great as there is nothing within the immediate vicinity for children.	At the moment it is overgrown and doesn't give a good impression of what is a lovely, well maintained housing estate	As long as it is secure its proximity to the road wouldn't be a concern and not too close to residential properties to cause any ASB issues.	Some wildlife planting and landscaping

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The open space currently has attracted a lot of wildlife to this area. In a very built up area it is nice to have some green space. It is a nice area to the entrance of the development having some green space rather than more paved/concrete areas.	It could be better maintained.	<p>I do not feel this is an appropriate area for a play area to be developed on. This is very close to a busy road (Croston Road) and with more housing developments being joined onto this area will increase traffic into the development putting children at greater risks. So close to a T junction onto a busy road will put children in danger. There is also a very busy T junction at the edge of the proposed play area which has heavy traffic daily.</p> <p>A play area at the edge of the development has potential to encourage antisocial behaviour in this area and increasing noise.</p> <p>The road access and surrounding area has no suitable parking if people travel to this play area by cars it will congest surrounding streets again causing both noise and traffic pollution.</p> <p>I am concerned the impact it will have on surrounding properties from all of the above, it will also affect loss of privacy having increased foot fare and volume of people in area. People bought properties with the knowledge this was green space that could not be built on and was going to be left as green space.</p> <p>I feel the proposed play area will also be an eyesore coming onto the development.</p>	This area is perfect to encourage wildlife and more shrubbery/trees will enhance this. There is a lack of green space currently around this development and this would be perfect to be maintained as that.
Great to see open spaces for local use.	Nothing	Good use of the space, and easily accessible	An area similar to Bent Lane where children can play sports
As it is I don't like anything about the open space, but as I understand the situation this area is owned by the residents of Croston meadows but is still under the control of the developer until the area is landscaped and passed to the management company.	<p>I have been trying to get this area landscaped and the estate completed for two years and as Lancashire County Council cannot get their finger out and resolve a legal issue I cannot envisage any kind of progress being made.</p> <p>If ever this area is developed I would strongly oppose the play area for 7 to 12 year old</p>	Beconsaw road will turn the corner into Lostock boulevard and become the main spine road into the estate meaning this section of road upto number 8 Beconsaw road will be a busy section of highway with traffic coming out of Lostock boulevard having limited view of Beconsaw drive.	Some of the planned and approved landscaping was started and completed 3 years ago the developer is yet to complete this landscaping that doesn't include any play areas and I would oppose any changes to the planning.
	It is a waste of space, it has no use and serves no purpose. It quite often has broken glass on it and people allow their dogs to foul. It is unsightly.	It will be good for local children to have somewhere to play as there is no where in reasonable walking distance	CCTV to discourage vandalism or anti social behaviour
		<p>We agree as there isn't a local playground for our children. Would be great to have somewhere they can play and make new friends.</p> <p>Only concern would be youths in the evenings causing noise and damage</p>	
Looks nice and open	Wasted space, would be perfect area for a park	Perfect!!!	I think a children's park is the perfect idea. We have 2 young toddlers so this would be amazing for us.
Green space	Not much use to anyone, would definitely benefit from a park and some pathways and seating	Good idea, this area is in desperate need for a play area. Proposed play area is a good size as well.	Seating areas, flower beds
		Wonderful and welcomed	Play area for kids
Maybe a habitat for animals	An eyesore and the ground could be used for children to play have fun with parents and grandparents .	Good	Landscaping and animal habitats
I like that this area is partly unkept and good for wildlife.	It does seem a large area to not be used for something productive.	I think you also need to look at access to this area with kids crossing roads mainly on Croston Road.	To include more walking paths and planting of trees and bushes to make it a nice space to walk through not just for kids to play.

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That it is a natural area of greenery which in Leyland now is becoming few and far between.	At present it is unsightly and needs some form of improvement	I worry about the traffic and parking arrangements. The area is on a main busy road and leads onto a residential estate. There does not seem to be any areas planned for parking on the superficial drawing? Beconsaw Drive has quite a sharp corner and so the entrances to a park would need to take this into consideration. Also as with other parks in the area I would also be interested in how it will be maintained with teenagers using them and causing damage/nuisance.	If there is to be a park it needs to be maintained and policed correctly to ensure that the residents that have lived on the adjoining estates are safeguarded from loitering and increased traffic. There would need to be a more in depth plan given before I could either agree or contest a park in that area. The plan that you have sent does not show proper access points or give perspective on traffic flow.
It's an ideal park place for under 5's I think if you increase it to under 12's you risk having gangs there on a small estate would not be fair. We only have one under 5's only park in leyland	It looking untidy	Great idea but would focus more on understand 5's	Some flowers and greenier
Nothing	There is nothing nice to look at atall	I think it's a brilliant idea and I know everyone on the estate would agree with this 100% been asking for years for a park for the children as there is nothing for them around here !	A park would be absolutely beneficial !
The open space	The fact the open space looks uncared for and scruffy	I think it's a good idea but is quite close to the road, I wonder if this will put people off Letting their children go, I think a better location would be further down opposite the entrance to Radcliffe	Proper fencing to stop travellers I, it's only a matter of time before they land
Nothing currently on there	Nothing currently on there	I think the development is good however I think a larger playground on the new farington mews estate would be more beneficial from the hundreds of families and homes being built on there and nothing within walking distance. Even better if both areas were to have a playground it would be ide	More play area bitsa
N/A	It's looks a mess and the area just gets used by developers as a place to store materials for when they work on the estate.	I think it's a great idea. The area has needed a park for years as there aren't any that I'm aware of within walking distance.	A play area for all ages would be great.
No kids hanging around	It's an abandoned mess at the moment and rough footpath	As long as it is kept up well it's a good idea	Better paths and more bins
Nothing	Its an eyesore, not kept nice	Think this is a great idea; no parks nearby in walking distance with kids so it would be great.	Seating areas in and outside the park area
Natural and wild		It shouldn't be built there is a problem in Leyland with anti social behaviour and drug abuse at current play areas this is unfair to local residents as living near a play area has an effect on people's mental health in a bad way and leads to an increased police presence and an increase in criminal damage and burglaries	Leave it as it is there should be no more play parks in Leyland and the surrounding areas these just promote teen anti social behaviour
I do like that there is local green space and it's nice to encourage nature. However, with the ongoing development of ecological work just off Moss Lane/Goldcrest Avenue, I think as a community we'd be happy to develop some existing green space into a park for our younger residents.	This particularly patch of space sometimes looks sad and unkept so a park will help tidy it up I think. It's also not great for local ecology so nothing lost there!	Great. Not too close to Croston road which people sometimes fly up and down! But also great position in terms of it serving lots of different parts of the local community and not just 1 housing estate/road. Being just off Croston road it is the perfect place for accessibility too - parking is easy enough for any children and young people with access needs. It's also close to local amenities such as Tesco.	Maybe a few more trees by the road side too to provide shade in the summer if needed.
The sign but otherwise nothing	Wasted space		Good as lots of children on nearby estates. Only issue is proximity to the main road so might need some crossing assistance?
It is good to have green space around the area	It is not up kept an the grass is left to grow long and makes the estate look unappealing when entering	I think a play area is a fab idea and should definitely be implemented, having a young child this is definitely what the area is lacking and is one of the reasons I have looked to move house. The area is in desperate need of more play spaces for younger children to encourage outdoor play and increase the development. However as a resident on the Croston meadows estate we currently pay RMG stupid amounts yearly for upkeep which they do not do, will it fall down the residents to fund the upkeep and the cost of implementing the park or will this fall to the council?	Some plants and flowers, the playground is a fab idea and I am fully supportive of it as long as the cost doesn't fall on the residents of the estate.
It doesn't look that great and the kids need somewhere on our estate.	Does not look great.	It's a great idea.	We could do with more trees on the estate and some benches would be nice.

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Nothing it's an eye sore	Scruffy mess - not an inviting entrance to the estate	As long as the grass and land scape cares is maintained - I welcome this proposal	Croston Road is full of old trees and whatever is placed here should compliment this / so more trees please
	It's wasted space, it looks unkept, it's uneven and could be used better.	It's a brilliant idea. We recently moved on to Croston Meadows and I was utterly surprised that with all the new houses being built a children's play area hasn't been considered. The houses we're subject to a CIL so we have all contributed to the infrastructure of the area so funding of a children's play park should definitely be a priority. The children have no where safe to play, the nearest parks are across busy main roads with narrow paths which isn't feasible for most parents to let their children go to. The play park will not only service the new houses but also the existing such as Barn Hey Drive estate and Heatherlea	Bench, Bin, wild flowers
When the space is kept neat and mowed, I love the fact it's a green space and that we have trees planted! Plus I love the fact it's quiet and nobody congregates in that area so it feels safe and inviting when you come onto the estate	The fact that it is apparently not owned so is very rarely looked after - overgrown and covered in litter. Plus the 'welcome to farrington' sign is ugly and needs to look more modern.	I completely object to a park being put there. We already waste our money on RMG who do NOTHING but steal our money. Putting a park there will attract the wrong types, if will be vandalised and taken over by groups of anti social teens at night, which will in turn lower the value of my house even more. The roads can't get fixed but they can put in a park? Make it make sense! The plans when I bought the house said a toddler park would be placed in the small fenced off area further back into the estate which would be a great place as it's not obvious and near a main road! I do not want a park there. Why not turn it into a little garden / nature area for bee's or birds etc? Something that makes the estate look more inviting	Change the welcome sign so it's more appealing!
Nothing	Its always overgrown.	It would be a great addition to the estate as there are a lot of families on here and it would be a great place for the kids to play. Not to. Lose to the main road though due to safety	Bins
Looks scruffy, unkempt and is a waste of land. I think it could be made into a lovely play park.	It's looks uninviting and is an eye sore.	Absolutely fabulous!!! We need a nice play park in walking distance from our home. We always have to drive to st pauls parish park ad we find it our closest one. I would love a park here. We live on the tilla easte which is full of young families I can assure you the park would be well used!	I think a children's play park would be amazing. Fabulous idea!
Nothing.	It is just a waste of space. Although it is nice to have a green area it doesn't get used for anytning	I really like the the proposed idea. The estate is full of young families and it would be nice to have an area to go	A park, more drainage, new shrubbery

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<p>I enjoy driving onto the estate seeing the open space, which is finally being allowed to naturalised. The wildlife in the area is great to watch. The area is settling down and the wildflower meadows maturing.</p>	<p>The footpaths surrounding this area have been allowed to get into a terrible state and are unsafe to walk on.</p>	<p>I feel the playarea site would be in the wrong place for its intended users. It would be placed at an extremely busy junction, too far away from the majority of residents. It needs to be more central to the estates. Placed in this area most of its users would arrive by car, on their way into or out of the estate. There is no safe parking within this area, which would then cause issues for the residents of Lingard Close. This road is too narrow for additional parking and parking at the end would block the drivers vision when leaving.</p> <p>This grassed area is next to the pumping site which, as we are based on the edge of the moss, plays an integral part in keeping the estate well drained and water levels low enough. We are all aware of the previous issues here and the remedial works which were required. We were informed by Millers that nothing should be built on this land. Repair access may be required in the future.</p> <p>Whilst the use of this park is intended for the under 12's, we all know that once they have left in the evening the area will be used by the teenagers from the surrounding estates. Knife crime in on the rise in South Ribble play parks and the bungalows adjacent to the proposed park house the estates elderly and infirm. I feel we are putting their lives and welfare at risk.</p> <p>If there are no other areas central to the estate which would be better placed then maybe consider the POW area further along Beconsaw/Heatherleigh, which runs parallel with Hugh Lane. This is a</p>	<p>To be kept as a Wilding open space as originally intended by the developers.</p>
<p>I think with most estates having such open spaces it would be nice for the kids to have such a place to play. My daughter lives on there with her mum and there's nothing like that to do when she's out.</p>	<p>There's not much I wouldn't like, but with the ongoing issue with RMG charging residents for work they're not doing within the estate, I wouldn't like it to be handed over to RMG. I'd prefer the council to maintain it as it won't get neglected and overgrown either.</p>	<p>A bit close to the main road, but there's not really anywhere else to put it and I'm sure smaller kids will be fine with their parents there also and it will be railed off too.</p>	<p>Nice shrubs instead of whips/farmers hedges. But understand theres a budget. Bins for litter too</p>
<p>Green space that inhabits various types of animals and wildlife.</p>	<p>N/a</p>	<p>Far too close to a busy main road for me to feel comfortable that my children would be safe on the area playing. It will become a target for antisocial behaviour, like many other playareas become. It will become an area for older children/ young adults to congregate and therefore younger children in which the area will be intended for will not be able to access. The likelihood of drug/alcohol paraphernalia and litter to be left behind is highly likely, a prime example of this is the play area on The Oaks housing estate off of Wheelton lane. This playarea was intended for children and is not safe to be used by them due to broken glass, litter and vandalism.</p> <p>The noise pollution created by the area will affect local residents and this was not in the plans for the estate when residents bought their homes. This area is regularly dug up due to the pipe work beneath the area, and who is expected to pay for the upkeep of the play area, residents who do not want the play area and were not informed of it on purchase of their homes will be expected to foot the bill in our yearly maintenance payments. Not only as a resident of the estate but to a parent of a young child I think the idea of a play area is a terrible idea. We are in close proximity to several play areas including worden park and do not need another directly on our doorstep.</p>	<p>Leave the area to the wildlife and allow the area to maintain some green space.</p>

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I like the sign to highlight that it is the start of Farington Moss, it gives the impression we are a community.	It is waste land and doesn't enhance the area particularly considering the 'welcome to sign' there should be more hear to make the area more appealing.	I think it is a great location for a playground. Easily accessible for the majority of residents in the area whilst also being public and visible to hopefully discourage any anti social behaviour that may occur. It is also near a bus stop so those not in walking distance can access it. It is much needed, there is no play area that serves the thousands of home that are now in the area.	It's hard to tell from the image as there isn't details of the playground but maybe potential water features that can be used for water play? Some sort of canopy/shaded area so areas of the playground can be used by little children in the summer months.
FINISH THE ROAD BEFORE YOU MAKE PLANS FOR ANYTHING ELSE. 7 YEARS I HAVE LIVED THERE AND STILL NOT FINSHED !!!!!	FINISH THE ROAD BEFORE YOU MAKE PLANS FOR ANYTHING ELSE. 7 YEARS I HAVE LIVED THERE AND STILL NOT FINSHED !!!!!	FINISH THE ROAD BEFORE YOU MAKE PLANS FOR ANYTHING ELSE. 7 YEARS I HAVE LIVED THERE AND STILL NOT FINSHED !!!!!	FINISH THE ROAD BEFORE YOU MAKE PLANS FOR ANYTHING ELSE. 7 YEARS I HAVE LIVED THERE AND STILL NOT FINSHED !!!!!
		I think its a brilliant idea.	I think a park would be appropriate as there isn't one in the area.
The grass and array of plants promote biodiversity. Provides a space that will absorb water during periods of stormy weather.		Great idea. As a resident the road and surrounding roads are yet to be adopted by the council and wondered how this would impact the development. Would be concerned about how older children might use this especially later at night. The use of traffic lights, if children are expected to use the area would make a safer option for crossing the road. Concerns on the speed of traffic on Croston Road, despite it being a 30mph I don't think this is adhered to. Logistically, those with prams approaching from the direction of Earnshaw Bridge may have an issue as the footpath over the bridge is for single person use, is very narrow and is difficult to push a pram over this area. Consideration given to people parking up to use the park, would increase the amount of cars parking half on the path and cause a disruption to local residents. Consider use of double yellows to counteract.	More plants and increased biodiversity. I like the wild grass initiative that has been adopted across the borough.
I like the idea of a play area in the area, kids on the local estates have nowhere to go to play.	Parking in the area is already terrible. There is a safety concern with it being proposed next to a main road, both for children running into the road and it being a location for potentially a child to be taken from and being easy to get away from quickly. The area around the proposed play area is unfinished, the roads are not tarmaced and pavements are falling apart. I also feel the play area is unfair on the residents who have bought a home for a nice quiet area only for it to potentially have a noisy play area on it which will also I feel bring teenager around who could damage the area and also be in the play area at night which could bring noise and vandalism concerns for not only the play area but local homes/vehicles.	Good idea for the area, but don't think having it there is a good idea.	No play area just fix the mess that's there from when it was dug up and make it look nicer.
N/A	Empty, has so much potential	Brilliant idea for all the new estates around this area who have a growing amount of children on them!	Maybe a neighbourhood watch / monitoring camera to be set up just for child security/ ASB watch
		I think a play area would be a benefit to locals	Wildflowers for bees
No houses	Looks a mess Wasted space	Yes great idea	Get rid of the grass Path Play area Something for the children
Clear grassed area as long as it's maintained.	Nothing. It's a clear green area that is good as long as maintained.	Don't like it. Will be disruptive and unsightly to overlooking residents. Going to attract groups and bring issues to the estates. Also isn't the area covering a series of attenuation tanks for drainage so Miller Homes told me. That had to be replaced due to site compound being placed on it. How will this affect maitainenance and prevent tank collapse?	Nothing. Leave as is....maintained a nice green space.

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<p>Anything is an improvement to the current mess of that end of Croston Meadow which has been a disgrace for years. I moved in nigh on 5 years ago and its been a mess all that time...and probably man years prior too whilst building was taking place. So.....anything is an improvement.</p>	<p>This area of Croston Meadow has been under some sort of legal issue between Lancashire County Council, South Ribble Council and Miller Homes for years. Its to do with sewers or drainage I believe. No one is taking responsibility for this with everyone washing their hands of the issue. I do not understand how this sort of initiative can be found to be suitable when we have pavements in poor order, damaged kerb stones, speed bumps in a state of disrepair, road surface incomplete, road signs damaged (likely from the build process over the past 6/7 + years) and generally shabby state of disrepair. Even at the other end of Beconsaw Drive/Lostock Boulevard things are a mess in and around Okeover Close...which I hasten to add....has its road sign attached to a temp mesh fence panel. Okeover Close had no sign for years and now has this 'makeshift' arrangement which has been the case for 2 years or more. Its a complete joke. Tilia Homes need a rocket too bearing mind the mess at the end of Lostock Boulevard and Okeover Close. Whilst anything that improves the area and provides facilities to residents of all ages is good....I think Miller Homes, South Ribble Council and Lancashire County Council need to get their house in order with regards getting Croston Meadow in good order before progressing with any new initiatives. However, if this initiative results in the resolution of the poor state of repair of Croston Meadow, then great. The only additional comment is this. South Ribble Councils excuse of wanting a more natural 'wild garden' and natural look to that space in the interests of wildlife/natural habitat is a nonsense. Its plain to see it is simply a cost saving exercise for themselves and/or RMG who manage that space.</p>	<p>Please resolve the current issues on site prior to launching any further initiatives. I would say that the poor state of pavements and so on (as highlighted above) will be a trip and general health and safety hazard to young children, parents with push chairs and young children on bikes/push along toys/scooters etc. Please sort the infrastructure prior to any further initiatives. Local residents have had to put up with this eyesore for 5 years plus.</p>	<p>Planting of further trees/hedging or such like on the corner of Croston Road/Leyland Lane/Beconsaw Drive.</p>
<p>I like that there is space and in the summer my daughter likes the play on there. She keeps asking for a park and none is in walking distance from this estate.</p>		<p>I worry about the main road however if parents watch there children and they are taught about road safety this would work really well. There is another field close by that would work too.</p>	<p>Maybe some picnic tables? And a path to walk the dogs round while your child is playing on the park.</p>
		<p>Think this is a great idea and much needed for children and families</p>	
<p>Its the only green space left in this area, which has been overdeveloped, this should be an area where trees are planted to bring back the wildlife etc that we have lost through the massive developments.</p>	<p>There is nothing not to like!!!! its a green area and should be left alone</p>	<p>The playground should be be placed at the centre of the housing development where most of the families live, this green area is right next to a busy main road, there is already problems with drug dealers around this area , it will only encourage these dealers to use the playground as a meeting place. I also feel that this would attract disruptive behaviour from older 'kids' a which has been noted in other play areas.</p>	<p>This area should be planted with trees and plants to encourage back the wildlife/birds etc that we have lost due to the massive over development of the area. Please give consideration to the people that live next to/directly behind this area.</p>
<p>A play park is vital to come about within Farington Moss area, as the currently closest play area is a mile or so away. I will be delighted if a closer play area was in and around the area.</p>	<p>It is near a main road</p>	<p>Next to a main road</p>	<p>If the proposed plan was to come about, safety crossing to gain access from across the road would be good</p>
<p>It's always good to keep some land undeveloped to support wildlife & ensure we don't become a concrete jungle</p>	<p>It doesn't get maintained very well & it's closed off so it's useless space</p>	<p>Happy with the suggested location</p>	<p>If it doesn't turn into a playground, it needs maintaining better & potentially opening up for people to sit/ walk their dogs etc</p>
<p>This is an area that would provide the community with lots of outdoor space, big enough to be developed, there is room for cars to park along side</p>	<p>I don't like to see this area unusable as it is at the moment.</p>	<p>A good accessible area for play, within walking distance for families of Farington Moss The houses around this proposed site are very much family homes so the location would be very much appreciated and used.</p>	<p>Besides play equipment, families and friends would benefit from having areas for a picnic, tables/ benches . Also a covered area (pagoda) where community events can be held.</p>

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I like the wildlife existence in the area given so many have been uprooted in the area with the overbuilding of housing. This is a space allowing the natural pollinators to thrive. We also have a natural abundance of birds and bats in the area which would be disturbed.	It needs to be completed by millers and handed over to the residents who own the land.	I think this is a terrible idea. This is the worst area you could have picked and would increase the anti social behaviour in this area ten fold. We already have issues with late night visitors checking cars this would be a magnet for them to hang out and cause a nuisance to the residents. This is also something else to be vandalised in the area, the bus stops have been trashed and graffitied numerous times.	More flowers / nature magnets. As there is nothing on croston road where nature can thrive. Why not let it remain an open space, with meadow flowers, plants etc. maybe even bug hotels and bat enclosures. This would be a much better use of the area to educate the future generations about the importance of nature and wildlife for coexistence.
I like it as it is. Would like to keep the wildflowers for local wildlife. Also there is a tank under the ground there and I would think it would be prudent to keep access to this and prevent damage as it has collapsed under weight being applied to the surface ground before and led to disruptive repair/replacement	It's fine, just keep maintaining wildflowers and fix the fencing. Keep as a green space as it was intended.	Poor as there is a tank under the ground there. I strongly object to a play area/park on this site. Other reasons are we were always told when we bought our property that this area would remain a green space. Estate will have concerns as they already do with the estate management and fees with RMG to which disputes are already in progress. The council's priority should be to come to agreements with miller homes and RMG and residents todaward the completion of roads and footpaths as a much higher priority than destroying one of the few green spaces.	Wildflowers, wildlife habitats such as bug hotels, hedgehog hideouts etc. Maybe some planters around the edges as well as the fencing.
Nothing	Looks overgrown	Excellent idea	Nothing
The open space is very spacious.	The open space is currently poorly maintained. This area is completely wasted, despite offering a good spacious area close by to residents homes.	I very much welcome the idea of a play area for children and young people. There are lots of children living within the estate grounds and surrounding roads. We do not have a play area close by (e.g. within walking distance for younger children) and this often results in children playing in the roads. There has been many concerns raised by residents regarding this. A play area would provide a safe space for children to play.	Possibly exercise equipment for young people and adults to utilise.
	Nothing has been done with the site so therefore looks unsightly	Strongly against the idea, one of the reasons for buying a house on the estate was there wasn't a playground. Attracts young people to hang around and anti social behaviour, parking would also be an issue.	Landscape, bench, natural habitat
	It has no use at the moment, and provides no value or amenity to the local area.	It would be great to have a little park we can walk to that's is appropriate for children to play on.	More trees/wildflower/planting allowing the space around to be useful to nature, mod than just grass giving no value.
Nothing.	its an eye sore. Totally unused useless space. Also dangerous due to debris and glass buried within the soil left from the original build.	I think this is a great location. Very visible and accessible.	A safe space for kids to be kids. I wouldn't ideally want it handed over to RMG, as I'm sure they're aware of the ongoing issue with RMG charging for works not done within the estate, I would prefer the council maintain it so it doesn't get over grown and neglected if our kids are playing there.
The location	Next to a road	Yes i think this area needs a play area and if this is the only suitable place then that is better than nothing!	Splash pas

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There is nothing to like about the POS it's an eyesore. However the land doesn't belong to SRBC or LCC. The land belongs to Croston Meadows residents management co ltd.	The existing open space is an eyesore. This is because it has not yet been landscaped by Miller homes. It hasn't been landscaped because there is a legal issue with LCC and Miller homes. Miller homes have built on highway verge on Croston Road and Beconsaw Drive. Until this is resolved the resurfacing of the roads can't be completed and they want to use the POS as I compound when completing the works.	I have contacted RMG who we pay to to maintain the estate. This area has not been handed over to them yet. Good afternoon, Thank you for contacting us earlier today. The property manager has contacted back and advised the land belongs to the MCL and residents are responsible for it and its maintenance in line with their transfer agreements, therefore the council would not be able to purchase or build on this area. Kind regards, Amy B Customer Service Advisor T: E: W:0345 002 4444 customerservice@rmguk.com www.rmguk.com Residential Management Group Ltd Chelford House, Gadbrook Park, Northwich, CW9 7LN	The legal issue between Miller Homes and LCC needs to be resolved then the land can be landscaped. SRBC would have to purchase the land. RMG . Although RMG say the land can't be sold I don't see why not if the residents agreed. United Utilites may object as there is a drainage attenuation system beneath the surface of the POS. I believe SRBC were under the impression that they own the land. Our councillors and Nigel Evans when he was our MP have been working with SRBC trying to get Miller homes to tidy up area. What a waste of council tax payers money. Check if you own the land first next time.
It's good for wildlife and doesn't attract unwanted visitors to the estate.	It looks a mess and isn't maintained	Will look unsightly at the entrance to croston meadows. The other 'green spaces' nearby are not maintained and are constantly littered by both residents and visitors.	Landscaped closed off area. Look attractive and improve the entrance to the estate, help wildlife to flourish in a built up area. There are already 2 large spaces for children to play on croston meadows and the pastures estate.
I liked it when the trees and grass verge were all done and was eye-catching to the estate when you drove in.	Nothing I like it could just do with cutting.	Would not like to see park there will cause no end of problems with anti social behaviour,parking.	Just keep it cut and tidy.
		This is greatly needed in the area,my daughter and grandson moved to Farrington news 3 yrs ago and we have been hoping for some sort of play area tp ne built since then.	Benches, landscaping, I jabe lived in lostock hall area my whole life and have seen the landscape change completely mainly with new dwellings it is time we had more play areas to support these.
Nothing	Cause many issues You don't even own the land Anti social behaviour Most against it		Put some trees and some benches there and leave it... good place for a community Christmas tree
It's open to let it be a wildlife area.		For toddlers and young kids? Right by a very fast busy main road? Definitely not!	Plants trees! Let it go wild! Anything but a playground.
This land is owned by Millers Croston Meadow and the estate is not yet finished. Are the council planning on buying this land? The roads have not been adopted yet and it will bring more cars to this area. It should be maintained by RMG but there is a dispute with Millers can the council please solve this, it has been raised to the council and they are aware of this. Are the council planning on buying this land and giving all the residents a share of this.	That there is a dispute with Millers and RMG over finishing the estate and maintaining it. The residents are paying RMG for very little maintenance. The council are refusing to adopt the roads until the estate is finished.	As stated above the council don't own this land. How much of tax payers money has been spent on this consultation? Who is responsible can they please apologize to the Croston Meadow residents for causing this distress. I am against a play area and it should be grassed.	Helping solve the dispute between Millers and RMG so it will then be maintained properly for the residents of Croston Meadow who pay towards this land.
It's a good for the wildlife that resides there	It looks an eyesore when it is not maintained appropriately	I can't see how it can be developed when the land isn't owned by the council? On our deeds of the estate, it is down as owned by residents which we pay to be maintained?	Sort the existing boundary issues and let our estate be completed and handed over from the developers! That way we can get rid of RMG who are claiming money off all residents falsely for supposedly "maintaining" our site! The harass residents and have even contacted mortgage providers. Shameful

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I don't like anything about it.	I don't like how it's a waste of space. Nothing good about it currently	Looks really good and I would love to see a play area here. The nearest play area is too far away to walk too, and there are A LOT of young children on the estate who would benefit from the play area. I think it would be amazing!	I think we could add some more trees to block the road a little. Making it more private and not so open to the main road. And maybe some benches around the park to utilise the open space for a picnic and summer weather. Also a few extra bins around there!
It's some green space.	It's unusable, has been used for storing building materials in the past.	Brilliant. There are no playgrounds or areas for children to play safely. There have been 3/4 new estates built over the last 20 years and nothing put in place for young people even though all the homes are for families. Other areas of Leyland have a park every half a mile which have all been refurbished recently. The nearest one to Farington is on Leadale Green. There should also be another park built on existing space on Barn Croft of Herringbone street.	Plenty of lighting, multi sports pitch, paths and space for dog walkers. Seating and bins, plenty of play equipment. Trees and shrubbery, well maintained. Bright and colourful.
Like the wild flowers and the Farington sign	No play area for my children, we do need some child friendly development in our area	Approve 100%	Keep element of wild untouched area
Currently it is a bit of a mess, but if it was landscaped properly it would look a lovely open entrance to the estate	A bit of a mess at the moment. Has no clear purpose	It is very near to a busy road and Mt main concern is that it would attract youths from the local area to hang out/vandalise instead of being for the children aimed at. Also parking for families that may drive onto the estate to visit the play area. The road surface isn't even complete yet! Also there are large pipes under that area that have already had to be fixed and the whole area dug up, if the park goes on top, will this cause any damage? What if they need fixing again? The park would have to be ripped up. Also who would pay for the upkeep as this is currently not council land?	Nice landscaping. A path across and benches. A nice open space.
Decent sized area that's central to all the larger housing estates in the area.	My only dislike is that it doesn't currently have a use so am very much in favour of the proposal.	Great idea, the area needs something for all the children living within. I have a 5 year old son, and moved here 3 years ago. I have been hoping since that this was happening so am excited, as will be my son. He has lots of friends from school on the adjoining estates so it will be a great place for them all I'm certain.	Wild flowers, or other ideas to help local wildlife which will have been greatly affected by all the recent housing developments. All of the recreational areas in Leyland need more bins and people managing the litter situation. I am constantly litter picking on my daily dog walks but find it difficult to do enough safely with the lack of bins. With more bins I feel this could discourage people from littering in the first place. The introduction of signage might help discourage offenders (signs with eyes watching have a psychological effect on the subconscious)
The open green space could attract nature however If the council/managing agent wanted it as a green space, it would be better being unkept with flowers, plants, benches etc instead of having rubble, weeds, overgrown mess.	The open space seems wasted and is never unkept so just looks a mess. The local estates are desperate for some kind of park for children to play on especially with more houses being built.	It would work well.	Add picnic benches/somewhere to sit inside the fenced area for security and reassurance being next to a main road. Similar parks have been passed on a main road such as the one near the Redrow and Taylor whimpy estate in Clayton-le-woods which is fully fenced

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I think the space is a great size and could really benefit from a playground but unfortunately as it's left it is an eyesore. The space is absolutely ideal as a playground because there are AMPLE (almost every house) has young children and before moving to the estate we thought this would turn into a playground which is ideal for our potential growing family.	It's an eyesore and it really is such a shame because the amount of families that would benefit from a playground would be well worth the investment. Not to mention immediate families but also grandparents, God parents and other carers.	I think this is an absolutely fantastic idea and it would not only benefit the growing families and children but it would also boost social interaction for parents and adults alike. The nearest park (nice and safe) park would be worden or farington and unfortunately not accessible by walking with little ones which means having to drive to the park which is such a shame as I believe our community should be supported. Especially when it comes to our future generation. Not to mention this would also able our families on the estate to explore their local areas. I believe and feel that this play area development is an absolute MUST!.	I would love to see a community veg garden. This could also support the community. Or just general flowers and shrubs around the entrance to the estate. If I'm honest I feel the estate looks very uncared for when driving in. The long grass looks terrible.
Nothing	It looks a mess	Good idea	
That it is open and not built up. Not appealing for youths to be hanging around.	Not maintained as promised by the builder/developer.	Terrible. Croston Road is too busy. Too many cars/delivery vehicles driving into Beconsaw Drive at speed. Risk of youths gathering in this area which would result in anti social behaviour. A similar proposal was made many years ago and rejected due to concerns about traffic and anti social behaviour. These issues have not gone away so why would it now be a suitable area for children.	Regular grass cutting and landscaping. Developer needs to make good the fencing as previously promised. The builder also needs to repair the roads and pavements as promised 2/3 years ago.
	I do not like that the space is being poorly maintained currently. I do not like that whenever the land adoption issues on the estate are finally resolved, I will be forced to pay that same company (that take short cuts and charge extortionate amounts) to continue to poorly maintain it under the guise of it being a "wild area".	I do not like the idea of extra cars parking at the entrance to the estate.	Maintaining part of it properly as a garden area with seating so the estate looks welcoming instead of just mowing down weeds every few months.
This is a small area of green nature in a built up area it is also covering part of the water management system out into place as part of the new build estate.	Parts of this area are not being maintained due to ongoing issues with the adoption of the area.	I think this would be a poor choice and dangerous. The location is directly next to the main road and the main and currently only access point to the Croston meadow estate with several hundred houses located there and the associated traffic. A play area in this location will attract children from the estate and virtually all the houses are on the other side of Becensaw Drive so they will have to cross that road adjacent to the 2 busiest junctions on the estate. There is no off road parking nearby so user who come by car will park on the road close to these junctions causing restrictions to the view of other road users and increasing risk of accidents involving children and other residents. An area this close to the front of the estate I feel would also attract older youths and associated ASB which would impact again on local residents in particular the bungalows located nearby which tend to have more mature occupants. There are other green areas further into the estate where facilities like this could be located which would be far more suitable and safer.	Nicer landscaping and maintenance to make the area look nice. Remove the farington Moss sign which although clearly a child's competition winner looks awful.
	Floods.	When the estate was build back in 2000 there was a play area planned, that never happened. For families in the locality there is no play area within walking distance, so for environmental purposes the play area would be ideal	
		Great idea. Lots of young families in this area with no playground for children within a reasonable walking distance.	

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I like many things about the current existing open space. I love how much wildlife this area attracts as I have seen many hedgehogs, bats, birds and insects in this area which I think is lovely. I also thinks it's a nice open bit of greenery which gives the estate a nice entrance.	The only thing I don't like about the existing open space is the current issues being dealt with Miller / RMG in regards to ownership of the road. Other than that there isn't anything I dislike.	Awful. I think the suggested location is not great at all, it's near a busy road and housing estate entrance which would cause safety issues and parking problems for residents. I also think a play area in that location would be terrible and would see a huge increase in anti social behaviour in the area as play areas are known for being vandalised and attracting youths in the evening so this really concerns me.	I think adding flowers and greenery to this space would be lovely. Not only will this look wonderful it will also attract more wildlife which would be great as there's very little space elsewhere for them to go. I think this would be great for all as having nature and wildlife around could also be educational for children rather than having just another unwanted play area waiting to be vandalised. It's time we all start looking after wildlife better, have flowers for pollinators, hedgehog houses so hedgehogs have a safe place to go, bird houses for them to nest in, bat houses for the bats to sleep in... this would be a lovely idea and would be a great news story to share the good and help that the council is doing for the wildlife and planet.
The trees	It is an unused space with no real potential for use in its current state	A good use of a dead unused space. I would fully support a playground as there are a complete lack of playground facilities in walking distance of the housing developments in and around this locality.	Natural play habitats / ecosystem around the playground to encourage children's love of nature. Benches / tables. Playground fenced in as it is next to a main road.
It's fine as is		Will attract anti social behaviour. Littering, drug use and other unpleasant behaviour.	No park
As previously mentioned - peaceful and a welcoming look once finalised - We already had trees, plants and wildlife until the pump station failed and it had to be dug up.	Untidy and needs RMG to maintain it as this is why we pay them a maintenance fee	**I STRONGLY APOUSE THE PLAYGROUND** My home on Lingard close and 25 foot away from this pump station. We already have a play area to the left of the pump station that children frequently play on and play football. We do not need more noise pollution with a park and swings etc being put to the right of the pump station. Children have the play are to the left and play there so NOT NEEDED.	
	Dislike as this is a waste of space currently and there is nowhere for children in the area to play	Good area for a play space as long as it is gated off and safe from the main road	
Nothing presently there to like about the open space.	Nothing there currently and it doesn't get maintained well in terms of grass cutting so looks unkept and messy.	Excellent idea at at least this space will have use then. I live on the estate opposite and very often we hear children playing by or even in the River Lostock. They have been harmless but it is a concern should an accident arise. A play area might mean that they have somewhere else to go in the area that is safer. There are no play grounds for children in the nearby vicinity, I believe the nearest play area is Leadale Green in Leyland which with young children is a distance to walk and certainly wouldn't let them do it independently when old enough. Parish Gardens also has a play area but not set up for younger children.	I would assume that the park will be appropriately fenced off and the entrance and exit will only be able to be opened by an adult or older child. Croston Road despite being a 30mph zone is a busy road so appropriate caution needs to be given here. I appreciate there are already speed bumps in the road but it would perhaps be beneficial to put in zebra crossing for other side of the estate.
Spacious	Too much grass	It looks okay yeah	A zipline swing mega slide climbing wall extra fun
Nothing	Looks unused and unloved on a brand new estate. It's the first thing you see when you enter the estate so a park would look much better	Brilliant for my children who live round the corner and almost safe walking distance to the park. Good place for children to play Attract new young families to the area No other park in the close area	Easy maintainable equipment Hard to break equipment Different equipment to what other parks in the outplaying areas have, to stand out from other parks
I think its q nice littke open space.	It looks unpet, sad and is a waste of land.	I think its a fab idea as there isnt any parks within a good walking distance. There is plenty of famalies that would use this close by, especially on the new housing estates.	A play park is the best option.
I like that it is a nice open space that has alot of floral and fauna.	I don't dislike the space, but I do feel a portion of it could be better utilised to support the demand in terms of the amount of families moving into this area.	Currently I live on the new Farington Mews estate so do wish it was slightly closer, but that being said it will be much closer then any other recreational area so I understand it does have to meet the requirements of other residencies nearby.	Making sure the area is well lit with no secluded areas to prevent attracting unwanted attention from youths up to no good. It needs to be made into an area that will suit the needs of the local area without becoming a nuisance for local police and neighbouring properties.

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Nothing.	Dislike how the space is empty and not being used to its full potential. The grass is run down and boggy and often covered in litter due to being unmaintained.	I think a play area is a brilliant idea. I have a young child who would love a play area but there are none within walking distance of our house.	
The space is untouched and considering all the new build developments that's have gone on around the space it is reassuring that some greenery shall stay	Not very much to dislike	I don't think a play area is a good idea in this area. A green space with paths and benches is fine but a kids play area brings other problems with it. There is no place for parking around the location without inconveniencing residents.	A space that has greenery and nature as well as benches is ideal. Somewhere that can be used as you're walking past and not an area that draws people to the area like a park would.
Nothing	It could be used for something better	I like the idea would definitely help the estate nearby come together	
It's nice having a space that isn't built on when there has been so much building in the area and green spaces have been lost	It's scruffy and unkempt. The grass is left to grow long and doesn't look good near the new houses. It feels like a wasted space and needs landscaping at the very least	I think this is a brilliant idea and perfect for the space. There aren't any other play parks conveniently nearby for our children or the many other children nearby	Proper lighting to discourage ASB. Appropriate fencing to keep children safe from the road. Plenty of seating for parents. Regular maintenance and upkeep, so it stays in good condition
Nothing	Looks untidy.	Great idea. Will need pelican crossing for children to cross safely. Green area 100 yds further down would be better location.	Turn into a garden/communal area.
There's not much too it, it's good to have a break from the parade of new housing developments and it is the start of Farington Moss	It looks a bit derelict like grass has grown on the dumping ground that the builders had whilst constructing the estate	I like the plan, the area is residential and I think that it would be great to have this as the first thing you see driving into Farington Moss, it's easy to get to and would be good for the extensive housing in the area. It's likely to make Croston Road feel less like a cut through to Leyland and make it more of an area in its own right. It's long overdue to have something in the area for children, it's great to develop an area but currently there's just nothing here for families except housing, the introduction of this play area is also likely to stop people having to drive to get to a play area elsewhere in South Ribble. It should really have been part of the conditions of granting planning permissions in the area that there would be an insistence on developers investing in community facilities like this	Usually I would be the last person to put this forward but it would be beneficial for safety and to the feel of the area there were better traffic calming measures to restrict the speed at which people use Croston Road. It would be great to have a play area at this location but as a play area, encouraging children to it, the existing speed bumps are not sufficient to slow people down, especially seeing as a medium sized family car can pass unhindered over them. I'd say consider the addition of chicanes, speed tables and build outs across the length of Croston Road to give the area the feeling of somewhere people live as opposed to a way to cut through to other areas.
Not much!!	It's not managed, looks untidy and is yet to be finished!!	Bad idea as would end up a hive of anti social behaviour! People who don't live on the estate would have no where to park, The houses adjacent to the space would have to endure rubbish, noise and the inevitable vandalism of what would obviously be the outcome of putting this there.	If it's finished !! Wild flowers, trees! A place for nature
Not an eye sore	Existing open space is wasted and unused when new housing estates have been built around it	Great idea there used to be a play space here that was taken away without notice or replacement	Potential skate park similar to the one near Euxton/chorley, low maintenance and great for children, teenaged and adults with similar hobby.
For me the open space is fine as it is, it makes the entrance into the estate more nicer and easier on the eye, we have lived on the Heatherleigh estate for 20 years plus and seen all the greenery disappear due to more houses being built, this space just needs a little more planting and left to look natural and let the wildlife which is already there remain there.	i would like to see the space maintained more, some wild flowers planting there, this would make the space more appealing on the entrance onto the estate, the main thing i don't like is the fence has not been repaired.	i am definitely against the proposed development, due to the fact that there was a small park a little further down on the same side a little further into the estate when we first moved there, this park was supposed to be for toddlers and young children as we used to take our son there to play, over time this area became unmaintained , the apparatus for the children fell into disrepair, residents from the estate regulatory had to ring the council as bins, on the park where not being emptied , youths a lot older than the park was meant for began hanging around in the evening drinking alcohol, making noise and then eventually began leaving hypodermic needles lying around, we rang the council on numerous occasions to come and clean the mess up, on a number of occasions we also had to phone the fire brigade to come on put the bins out which the teenagers had set on fire. It is for these reasons the original park was closed and all the apparatus was removed. i would like to understand the councils strategy on how they will stop this being repeated.	leave it as it is. why do we feel the need to fill every open space again if you we need to improve it, keep it tidy , and plant flowers, and help the wild life. what definitely won't improve it, is becoming a complete eye sore on entering the estate, and looking at a fenced area full of older youths that should not be on there, and residents yet again having to deal with the problem, due to the fact that its not locked or policed.

What do you like about the existing open space?	What do you dislike about the existing open space?	From the document above, what do you think about the suggested location for the proposed play area development?	What else do you think would help improve this open space?
Having some open green space improves the character of an area and provides for some biodiversity	Its not a well kept area, so is looking a bit of an eyesore	I'm not against a play area however there was a previous play area (that was removed) and I would expect that any new area would be well maintained and not allowed to fall into any disrepair.	It was better when wildflower seeds were sown and returning to that would be very welcome possibly with the addition of a path and some seating
Having a space without a building/more houses squeezed in is always welcome.	It isn't currently being used for anything.	This is a good location for a playground. There are a lot of families in the new development on that side of Croston Road that do not have a playground nearby. There are also a lot of families on the Barn Hey Estate opposite that will benefit immensely from this. With that in mind, please consider making it easier to cross Croston Road to get to the playground. The traffic calming measures on Croston Road go some way to making it easier to cross, but lots of cars still speed here. Ideally, a crossing with traffic lights and bumps either side would create a safer way for children to cross and reach the play area, otherwise I would be worried about safety. But overall, this is a very welcome development.	A crossing so that those on the other side of Croston Road can safely reach the playground.
The grass area looks nice.	It could be a playground. It feels like a waste of space. There are no playgrounds in this area of leyland and we could really do with one.	I think it's a fantastic idea, there are lots of children in this area and a playground is much needed.	Maybe a little court yard so the kids can play football.
After all the development that has taken place, in what used to be a very rural area, we are now left with only this small green space, which has already been partially landscaped. It provides a break in the in the proliferation of residential properties and it provides a more pleasant welcome entrance to the Croston Meadow estate. The fact that it is a green open space should be sufficient to retain it as such.	Only the unsightly Electrical Sub Station at one end and the water pumping station at the other. Otherwise if the area is properly maintained, there is nothing wrong with it.	<p>The proposal is neither sensible or welcome for many reasons and I would strongly oppose its creation on this site.</p> <p>The huge development of around 800 homes has been planned and developed without any consideration to the provision of facilities of any kind, so now trying to create a children's play area at the entrance to the estate is an unwelcome afterthought.</p> <p>There used to be a play area, sited on the other green area shown on the map, but this was completely removed on the grounds that it was too costly to maintain and that it became a meeting point for older teenagers, resulting in many complaints of anti social behaviour and creating problems for the local residents. If that site could not be maintained and kept safe, what possible reason could there be to repeat the exercise?</p> <p>Noise would also be a problem, as previously evidenced, certainly for myself and other close proximity neighbours.</p> <p>Beconsaw Drive is a relatively narrow, but busy road, being one of the main entrances to the estate and parking would definitely be a problem. With parents bringing their young children from other areas, coupled with the cars of residents of Beconsaw Drive also parked on the road, would be a safety problem, as well as being very annoying.</p> <p>The location of this play area, next to the very busy Croston Road, would create a hazardous safety issue for children crossing from the Barn Hey drive Estate, which was also developed without a play area.</p> <p>The site also houses huge underground water attenuation tanks along with the associated pumping station and also the Electrical Sub station.</p>	The regular maintenance of the grassed area and the planting of a few more colourful shrubs and trees
Neutral	Neutral	I think it's a great idea.	
I think currently it's wasted space	Needs to be used for something so why not for all the children on the estate will stop them playing in the roads	It's perfect	

What do you like about the existing open space?	What do you dislike about the existing open space?	From the document above, what do you think about the suggested location for the proposed play area development?	What else do you think would help improve this open space?
<p>What I appreciate most about the existing open space is the immediate sense of openness it provides upon entering the estate. It creates a welcoming and less congested feeling right from the start, a refreshing contrast to the more densely built-up areas. This initial impression of spaciousness is definitely a positive aspect.</p>	<p>What I strongly dislike about the existing open space is its current state of disrepair. The builders left it in an unacceptable condition, with significant damage to the surrounding roads and curbs. This not only looks terrible but also presents a potential safety hazard. Furthermore, the open space itself is uneven and completely overrun with weeds, making it unusable and quite frankly, an eyesore. It's a far cry from the attractive and functional community space it could and should be. The neglected condition is a major disappointment.</p>	<p>I have serious concerns about the suggested location for the proposed play area development. Placing it within the existing open space, particularly if it involves surrounding it with metal fencing, seems entirely counterproductive. Instead of enhancing the open space, this would likely create a closed-off, almost prison-like feeling upon entering the estate, detracting significantly from the sense of openness that is currently appreciated. Furthermore, this location is near the fast busy main road, it poses a significant safety risk, especially for the younger age groups mentioned. A play area needs to be a safe and welcoming environment, and proximity to a busy road makes it entirely unsuitable. It would only be a matter of time before a serious accident would occur.</p> <p>Adding to these concerns, local teens are already known to congregate and use drugs in the vicinity of this proposed location. This raises serious safeguarding issues and creates an unsafe environment for young children and families. It's difficult to imagine this location being anything other than a dangerous, visually unappealing, and ultimately unsuitable addition to the area that would without doubt create more problems than it would solve.</p> <p>While these improvements are certainly a good idea, it raises the question of why this work wasn't completed by the building firm during the construction of the newer sections of the estate. It seems that they neglected their responsibility to leave the area in a suitable condition, and the cost of rectifying this should not fall to the public purse, limiting the use to parents with young children. Many complaints were raised</p>	<p>Beyond addressing the existing damage and overgrowth, several improvements could significantly enhance the open space. Leveling the uneven ground would be a crucial first step, making the area more usable and accessible. Planting trees would offer multiple benefits: creating a more aesthetically pleasing environment, providing shade, and contributing to a greener footprint. This would also be a welcome addition for the many walkers who use the estate as a shortcut, offering them a pleasant and potentially restful space. These environmentally friendly options would transform the currently neglected area into a valuable community asset.</p>
<p>The space is a nice open space to play on an estate full of families with children. I can't speak for anyone else but the thought of our children growing up around other children with nice spaces to play was part of the appeal of the estate and the home we chose.</p>	<p>Currently, the space is wasted. We live on the estate and as you turn in, the space is complete eyesore with the long shaggy grass and the broken fences. Not to mention the battered footpaths and road. We bought a house on this estate to make a home with our then 2 and now 3 children and envisaged that this would be an ideal place to play, however in the 7 years we've lived here it's been dug up at least 3 times for maintenance.</p> <p>The main thing that I don't like is the fact that Miller Homes/RMG/Croston Meadows Management Group still have ownership of this area and are charging the residents maintenance fees but then leaving the area as a 'nature reserve', which to me is an excuse to leave the area unkempt whilst still taking in the fees. Anything that gets Millers and RMG off this estate is a positive thing in my eyes</p>	<p>The play area located as the drawing is a good compromise between enough space but enough distance from the busy main road.</p>	<p>I do think that this play area would need some kind of monitoring to prevent vandalism and anti social behaviour like some of the new playgrounds around Leyland. Possibly some shielding from the main Croston Road would help and put some parents minds at ease.</p>
		<p>This is a perfect use of this space. Lots of young children locally and no play areas. Nearest is near St Paul's school.</p>	<p>CCTV maybe as play areas can be prone to trouble with older children.</p>
	<p>Not used</p>	<p>I think it's a fantastic idea!</p>	
<p>The space is nice in the spring with the wild flowers.</p>	<p>In the winter very muddy</p>	<p>Great to provide play equipment to the local children and a space for walkers and dog walkers alike</p>	
<p>It is currently a mess because ground works are still required to complete croston meadows. It isn't owned by south ribble so wondering how you are going to build on it. We as residents don't want the added RMG charges to replace and maintain this area</p>	<p>It is currently a mess because ground works are still required to complete croston meadows. It isn't owned by south ribble so wondering how you are going to build on it. We as residents don't want the added RMG charges to replace and maintain this area</p>	<p>If you own the land and responsibility for that area is removed from residents then fine, any implementations to prevent anti social behaviour?</p>	<p>Landscaping with benches</p>
<p>I like it way it is - wild and full of nature</p>	<p>I don't like the plans for a play ground</p>	<p>I don't think you can develop as the land is part of PIs and RMG as part of croston meadow development - in short it's not council land to develop</p>	<p>You leaving it alone</p>

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The space is fine as it is	The space is fine as it is	Play ground in the area would be good but the issue would be parking blocking the roads entrance to get on and blocking of driveways will be a massive issue	Left as it is
The existing space is a great place for wildlife with long grass, off of the main road. It is also a good space for other animals such as cats and dogs.	The fences are broken.	I think it is a dangerous area to have a children's park as it is close to the main road. There are better spaces to use for a children's play area.	Fix the fencing, plant trees and bushes to improve the area for wildlife and the environment.
Open green space	It's an unused and poorly kept area. Miller homes have been allowed to get away with not finishing the estate in full. My understanding is that residents of the estate will bare the cost of maintenance for this land in the future	As with all areas in south Ribble no consideration or provision is made for teens and adults. When will south Ribble invest in facilities for wheeled sports. Eg skateparks? It's also proposed on land that I believe will be paid for by residents of the estate to maintain	Miller homes actually finishing the work on the estate and stop hiding behind COVID-19, business failures, legal disputes etc.
When purchasing our property we were informed it would remain a "green space" planted out with trees and flowers. This would stop the estate feeling overly developed.	Simply that it has not as yet been completed to plan.	As a resident on Croston Road close to the proposed site, i would be worried about the parking it may attract on the road and entrance to the estate. We would be concerned by the attraction of anti social groups congregating there later at night and also the obvious noise disturbance a park may cause with people both travelling to, and on the park itself. Croston Road is such a busy road, many cars speed despite the deterrent and a concern would be children crossing on such a bad corner of both the estate and Croston Road itself. I object to the proposed plan for a play park at this location for these reasons as I believe it is totally unsuitable.	Simply to plant it out with trees and flowers as proposed, to provide a natural open space. As stated it was proposed to make the area not feel over developed.
Nothing - Looks scruffy.	Looks scruffy - used to be neat when estate was being built.	Would neaten estate entry but could be an issue with older children congregating	Complete tidy up, maintenance and possible wild flowets
It is a pleasant open space which are often lacking in modern housing estates. When purchasing the properties on the estate we were assured that it would remain open green space, with only natural vegetation to adorn it. The openness presents a welcoming approach to the estate that gives the impression that it has not been over-developed.	There is little to dislike about open green spaces although it could be slightly improved with the planting of numerous indigenous trees and flowers.	I think it is wholly inappropriate, and would breach the promise made by Miller Homes to all the residents on the estate at the time they purchased their properties. It's public position along a main road would encourage parents to bring their children to the park, both on foot and via car from areas other than Farington Meadows. This would likely cause car parking issues along Beconsaw Drive and Croston Road. As Beconsaw Drive is the only entry and exit route to the whole estate, it should be kept as clear as possible to ease the flow of traffic. A build up of parked cars and moving traffic around a childrens play area would introduce safety risks, both for the young children and any emergency vehicles requiring access. Despite the intended age demographic of the park, it will create a gathering point for older children and adolescents. The position and openness of the play area would make it an ideal meeting place where anti social behavior could and would be likely to be conducted. The land where the park resides was purchased by Miller Homes Limited on 14 April 2016 (Title register number: LAN177523). It is my understanding that once the estate is completed, the ownership of the land will be transferred to a management company responsible for the whole estate with the governors being the local residents. As the local authority do not own the property, and are unlikely to do so, it seems in poor judgement that they should spend public funds creating a park area that could later be demolished by the management company that is controlled by local residents.	Planting numerous indigenous trees and flowers.
The idea of a playarea is fantastic but I do worry if it will attract unsocial behavior that will effect the local residents. Also who will pay for this to be installed and maintained as I feel if the local residents have to pay anymore to rmg who do nothing as it is then I believe no one want this to go forward.	An eyesore. Needs landscaping properly anyway if it's not to be made a play area	Looks OK. But worry about added traffic congestion of visiting guests and theirs cars. Also the safety of children that may run out from behind these cars who could be at risk of being run over with the speed people travel down there.	I think it's a good idea but would benefit being manned by some kind of security firm for limited/problematic hours that would elleviate some of the locals concerns. I'm sure for a small contribution from residents wouldn't be out of the question provided it wasn't open to inflating.

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It's a quiet green space when maintained. Perfect place for wildflowering	Nothing. Leave it as it is.	Poor. Near a road A playground that attracts yobs from all around is not what the estate needs.	Wild flowering and maintaining. No more.
It doesn't attract trouble!	It's an utter mess that Millers/ RMG/ Council refuse to sort out. We've lived here 3 years and has always been a state.	In general a play area could be an asset, however I don't agree with it being from ages 2 to 12. I would not want my young children being in a play area with teenagers using foul language and no doubt inappropriate behaviours! It should be aimed at a younger audience. I'd also like to know who is going to maintain the play area, as residents currently pay a maintenance fee to RMG for the estate, which we already get ripped off for as zero maintenance has ever been carried out!!	More trees so the park is not in full view of nearby houses.
I think it's a great idea,somewhere for the children to play and be safe,a lot of children ojustn this estate,need somewhere to play.	Just land going to waste,children and parents would benefit the playground.	Good area,and would be fenced around for children's safety.	By building a playground.
I like the farrington moss signage. I like that it's not homes and that it is a green space.	As it sits currently, it's a mess. It's not being maintained. It's fenced off so not available for the public to use. It's rubble with weeds on top. It's horrid.	I think it's fantastic. I look forward to it being built!	Lots of benches for people to sit comfortably.
It's not finished, roads into the estate are quite frankly awful! It would just add misery to lives of residents adjacent to the area	In kept not finished, scruffy	Totally stupid idea!! Far better places to put a play area... Away from a main road Away from houses Why not put on the bit of land that's suddenly surrounded by warehouses by the Amazon factory thing! Quite a ridiculous idea , is this how taxpayers money is being spent....????? The mind boggles! Would "planningetc like this put next to their home ? All whilst paying for the privilege (minorities)	To get it finished , space for wildlife that's had its habitat removed and not replaced with anything Wild flowers?? Anything but this

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<p>I like everything and this area should be kept as an area for nature, seeing that almost all the surrounding areas that once were fields are now being built on mainly with dwellings and roads. I like the fact that this area has plenty of wild life plus the occupants of Miller Homes on the Croston Meadows site were told that this was a open public space which would have only grass and trees this would encourage nature and encourage the existing wild life of bats / birds / insects.</p>	<p>The open space is ok as it is as long as the area is maintained namely by mowing the area.</p>	<p>This area should be kept as an area for nature, due to the fact that almost all the surrounding areas that once were fields are now being built on mainly with dwellings and roads. The occupants of Miller Homes on the Croston Meadows site were told that this was a open public space which would have only grass and trees subsequently this would encourage nature and encourage the existing wild life of bats / birds / insects.</p> <p>A play area would be better located in the middle of all the houses that are being built in the area of Farington Moss and not in the suggested location. I along with others would not buy a house near to a play area and subsequently would have bought a house in a different location away from an area of potential anti social behaviour/ noise pollution and parking issues which comes with such areas. South Ribble council should have made provisions and an agreement for a designated play area when original planning proposals were submitted by the different developers with the Farington Moss area. This is a fundamental failing of of the relevant South Ribble Council who deals with new developments.</p> <p>This area is extremely near to a busy junction and is the main arterial route used by the residents of Croston Meadow / Heatherleigh and the Tilia estates genes resulting in a heavy flow of traffic onto a busy Croston Road. The road is used both by cars / buses and other larger vehicles. The roads near the proposed play area site is not suitable for anyone using a vehicle to travel to this area, and this would result in parking issues and obstructions.</p> <p>The proposed site is too close to the dwellings on Lingard Close, where I reside, the play area would impact on my mental health, as I bought the</p>	<p>Just to maintain the open space that was on the original plans set out by the developers Millers Homes.</p>
<p>I like the public open space exactly as it is, and as it was outlined when the estate was created, i.e. a public open space and nothing more.</p>	<p>The public open space requires more frequent garden maintenance to maintain an acceptable standard.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Croston Road is an extremely busy road with a heavy vehicular flow most of the day with people rarely adhering to the 30mph on Croston Road and the 20mph speed limit on Beconsaw Drive. The traffic turning into this junction tends to be fast moving. The junction is the main arterial route into the Croston Meadows housing estate, the houses on Heatherleigh, and also to some of the houses on the newer Tilia estate (adjacent housing estate to Croston Meadows estate) with even more houses currently under construction. This clearly outlines exactly how busy this junction actually is with frequent vehicular traffic. It is highly likely that children would play outside the proposed enclosed area on the public open space which borders the road itself. 2. The adjacent roads and are not large enough or wide enough to accommodate vehicular parking and it is highly likely that people would arrive in cars as well as on foot and obstruct the road itself and the adjacent footpath by parking on it. 3. The proposed location is extremely close to the houses on Lingard Close, which is a quiet cul-de-sac inhabited predominantly by older residents. The play area would cause significant noise pollution for the residents, particularly when older children and teenagers use it. From my previous work experience as a Police Officer, I know that children and youths older than 12 are likely to use and hang around this type of facility (particularly in the evenings) and create noise and public nuisance which would definitely impact on the Lingard Close residents. It would have a catastrophic impact on my mental health. 	<p>Plainly and simply leave it as it is, a public open space and not a play area which is what we were told it was meant to be when we purchased our house.</p>
<p>Close to many of the family's living in the new builds</p>	<p>It's wasted land that could be put to much better use</p>	<p>Excellent. It gives the local children a much needed playground.</p>	<p>A zebra crossing at Croston road</p>

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Nice wide road junction set back from major road.	The sign for Farington Moss.	Too close to major road, ideally should be located within built up area to ensure safety of young children.	Nice as it is.
	It isn't used to its capacity.	Happy enough with it. It is quite close to a main road and would prefer a location that wasn't as close to a main road, further into one of the developments.	CCTV to protect against antisocial behaviour. A zebra crossing in the main road to give a safer place to cross and to encourage safer driving in the road.
When the site was developed this was designated open land. The main reason we chose our home opposite. The plans included a play area further down the site.	The road and land is still not finished to the standard Millers advertised	Absolutely in the wrong location. This is the only entrance to the estate. Cars speed down the entrance and over the speed bump...I know this as I hear the scraping noise of the cars misjudging the bumps!!! This is not a safe area with the traffic - the main road into the estate and a play park attracting children will just means accidents!! Plus parks attract people coming in cars so Beconsaw Drive entrance will get blocked by cars....as the only way into the estate, this will hinder all residents, especially those living opposite. We did not buy our property to live opposite a park. This will attract children of all ages at all times of day. There are already issues with thefts and break ins in the area. The fact that the land was allocated for public access open land on the site plans was explained by Millers as being unsuitable for any building /planning due to the drainage underneath and a small play area would be somewhere else on the estate. However the main objection I have with all of this is that the estate STILL has an ongoing dispute with Millers /the councils due to unfinished work primarily on the roads and pathways. There has been an ongoing dispute and council help has been desperately needed to get these issues rectified...to no avail after 4 years and counting. Yet, here we are wanting a new play area in "our backyard" to make the Mayor look good. Hypocritical politics at its finest.	Just mowing the grass and adding a couple of benches
Nothing	It's tatty and messy and a waste of space	It's a great place. I have lived on Barn hey for 13 years and we are missing a play area. It's a shame my children are teenagers now.	Seating area

Thank you for giving the Parish Council extra time to consider the consultation on a proposed play area which was considered by Farington Parish Council at their meeting on Monday 3rd February 2025. We had a number of residents at the meeting who gave their views to the Parish Council, including residents whose properties are adjacent to the proposed play area.

The Parish Council are concerned about the proposed play area due to the fact that in the original planning permission there was no play area planned, and residents purchased their homes based on the fact that the area would be a wild meadow/open area for the benefit of the residents.

We understand that currently South Ribble Borough Council do not own the land and are in negotiation to purchase the land from the developer, but taking into account the residents views that we have received, it does appear to be the case that the proposed play area is not in the right place.

There were issues raised by residents and the Parish Council in particular:-

The proposed location is extremely close to the houses on Lingard Close, which is a quiet cul-de-sac inhabited predominantly by older residents. The proposed play area could cause significant noise pollution for the residents, particularly when older children and teenagers use it.

Croston Road is a busy road with a constant flow of vehicles, there are issues with speeding vehicles, the traffic turning into the junction tends to be fast moving. This junction is the main arterial route into the Croston Meadows Housing estate, the houses on Heatherleigh, and also some of the houses on the newer Tilia estate (adjacent housing estate to Croston Meadows estate) with even more houses currently under construction.

The proposed public open space is a home to a lot of wildlife, which includes protected species of bats, hedgehogs and a large variety of birds and insects. A play area at that location would have a negative and damaging effect on the existing wildlife.

The Parish Council do recognise that play areas are much needed in Farington, but it is really important that these play areas are planned at the time of development being granted, and are in the right place for all our residents.