



2<sup>nd</sup> April 2015

To the General Manager,

I wish to advise that our project for a more sustainable play area for children has now been completed. Please see attached photos of before and after.

The successful outcome of our new playground can be seen with projected outcomes achieved. We were after a playground that formed part of our sustainable practices while allowing the children of our service to be involved in a play experience that not only challenged them but also helped to build on their knowledge of being involved in sustainable practices. The playground has met all expectations with native shrubbery and grasses being planted out, mulch being laid to eliminate the use of water especially during our hotter months. Timber was sourced and laid out to make a maximum impact on children's positive play experiences with the need to climb (gross motor skills), balance as they walked along the edging. Rocks were sourced locally to form walls, (once again to give the children a greater experience in play); a riverbed was built to bring a more natural aspect to the play area. Logs were introduced and reused to enhance the natural areas, once again bringing a more aesthetically pleasing aspect for children to play, socialise or simply 'be' in the moment.

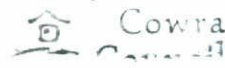
All in all the play area now offers a safe, sustainable, inviting play area where all children and our families can enjoy. We have had lots of wonderful, positive comments from our families which has only emphasized the fact we have achieved a highly sought after play environment that meets all expectations.

Please find attached receipt for mulch, trees and plants.

Thank you for allowing us to achieve this and look forward to working with you in the future

Regards

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Before photos and commencement of work

