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It's playtime in Shepley Wood

YOUNG people and families in Shepley, Audenshaw have got a great new play area thanks to a project developed by Tameside Council and New Charter Housing Trust.

The play area, funded by Tameside Council, has been designed to meet the needs of children of different ages and abilities. There is a small slide, swings and springies for young children and bigger swings and spire net for older children and young teenagers.

Located on Cemetery Road, the play area will be looked after and maintained by Denton and Audenshaw District Assembly.

Executive Member for Children and Families Councillor Allison Gwynne said: "Shepley Wood is a valuable space and local residents were keen to see enhancements. I'm delighted we've been able to make their wishes a reality and look forward to seeing children and families enjoying the area."

Executive Member for Neighbourhoods, Councillor Kevin Welsh said: "The play area is a fantastic addition to the existing play areas we have invested in throughout Tameside. It will help local families have fun, be active and enjoy themselves on their doorstep. I'm really pleased that through working with local councillors and the community we've been able to provide a great play area."

Emma Marsh, New Charter's director of communities said: "We've designed and built the play area on behalf of the council and have worked with the community to make sure we provided the facilities they wanted. We're delighted with the finished park and can see how it's making a difference to the young people in our neighbourhood."

"We've also helped to set up a Friends of the Park group which will be able to continue to raise money to improve the playground and surrounding areas."

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