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Energy project helps gives park new lease of life

Smiles all round as new play equipment is installed at River View Park

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- **Investment in the play area will help with local regeneration**
- **Project supported by Western Link, Flintshire County Council, Connah's Quay Town Council and QuayCAT**

It was smiles all round as children took to the swings and slides to mark the regeneration of their local play area in Gofftyn, Connah's Quay.

The playground has been given a new lease of life thanks to a partnership between the Western Link project, Flintshire County Council, Connah's Quay Town Council and QuayCAT, with additional support from the Welsh Government.

Children from Gofftyn Primary School's Eco Council were invited to put the new play equipment to the test on Thursday (22 October) watched by local councillors, Flintshire County Council Rangers and employees working on the Western Link project.

The children played their own part in the regeneration of the park by planting bulbs to add colour to the area in the spring.


Councillor Paul Shotton said: "River View Park is in the middle of the local community and right next to Gofftyn Primary School, and is great facility for the local children.


"With the additional seating that's been provided as part of the regeneration of the park, it's also an ideal place for parents to wait at the end of the school day, particularly if they're bringing other children with them."

Glyn Sibson, Western Link's Project Manager in the area, said: "We're delighted to have been able to work with the local community to help regenerate River View Park - and just in time for half term too.

"It's in a perfect position, right next to the school and close to local residents, and looks down across the River Dee, where we're working on the Western Link project."

The £1 billion Western Link project is a joint venture between National Grid and ScottishPower Transmission. When complete, it will bring renewable energy from Scotland to homes and businesses in England and Wales and help the UK meet its carbon reduction targets.

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Photos accompanying this press release show children from Goltfyn Primary School trying out the new play equipment with Glyn Sibson, Western Link (left) and Nick Randall, Siemens; and councillors and Western Link employees with local schoolchildren at the opening event

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