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Press Release

The Bulwark Play Area is set to officially open on Saturday 30th November 2013 at 12 noon.

The Bulwark Residents Group has worked tirelessly since its inception in 2010 raising funds and seeking grants, and at midday on Saturday Julia Eddy – Chair of the Residents Group – and The Deputy Mayor & Chair of the Play & Young People Committee - Cllr Mike Thomas, will cut the ribbon to declare the play area officially open.

The residents have been working closely with Helston Town Council to see the project through to fruition. The Town Council recently took over the management of the site from Cornwall Council and will be responsible for its on-going maintenance.

Julia Eddy – Chair of the Bulwark Residents Group – said “we are so grateful to all the organisations that have contributed to this project. Special thanks must go to the young people of the Estate for their fund-raising activities and to SITA Cornwall Trust for its grant of £30,000 out of the total £37,042 project cost. The residents on the Estate have shown extreme dedication to this project over the past three years and we are delighted that all the hard work has paid off. We look forward to the official opening and celebrating our achievement.”

The opening will include face painting and arts & crafts activities.

Town Mayor – Councillor Jonathan Radford-Gaby said “This project goes to show that a group of residents who want to make a positive change can come together and really make a difference.”

Councillor Mike Thomas – Chair of Helston Town Council’s Play & Young People Committee – added “The residents of Bulwark should be extremely proud of what they have achieved.”

The residents are not going to stop at this. Already there is talk of Phase 2 to make use of the adjacent space within the play area.

The full list of contributors is as follows:-

Bulwark Residents Group	£ 1,850*
SITA Cornwall Trust	£30,000
Helston Town Council	£ 2,192
Helston Downsland Charity	£ 2,000
Sanctuary Group	£ 1,000
Cornwall Council – replaced the wire fencing	

* includes contributions from the West Briton and Cornwall Councillor Wallis’ Community Chest.