

# **Playground fundraising**

*Parish Council 27<sup>th</sup> August 2020*

**The total so far paid to the bank from online donations and Give as you Live (GAYL) is £986.81, there is a further £84 pending from Give as you Live, GAYL donations are transferred to the bank quarterly, the next payment is due in October/November. Some of the payments stay in the pending file for quite a long time because retailers do not release the funds until their refunds and returns period has past.**

**Sue Westbrook has set up a separate fundraising page linked to the GAYL account, this is specifically for sponsoring the safety surfacing, this has so far raised £431 plus another £108 in Gift Aid.**

**Also, there has been £215 in cash and cheque donations.**

**There are currently 23 people signed up for GAYL.**

**More people need to be encouraged to sign up to GAYL.**

**As a GAYL example, it is not just shopping and groceries, many of the holiday and insurance sites are on the list, and give quite generous donations, I recently got my car insurance from a different insurer and logged in through GAYL and the donation was £20.**

**The last ten purchases through GAYL raised £52.73 from retailers such as John Lewis, Curry's, Shoezone, Just Lawnmowers, Stitch Fix, Gift Discoveries, London Theatres, Banana Republic and Parcel Force. These donations will filter through the system once approved by the retailers.**

**Retailers normally release the donations once their refund and returns period has ended, currently a lot of retailers have extended their returns period, so a lot more donations than normal will be held in the pending pool.**

*Cllr. Colin Boylett*