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Annual Inspection

Wycombe District Council

The Pedestal Playing Field

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Risk Assessment Matrix

Probability>>	5	Very High	VL	L	M	H	VH
	4	High	VL	L	M	H	H
	3	Moderate	VL	L	L	M	M
	2	Low	VL	L	L	L	L
	1	Very Low	VL	VL	VL	VL	VL
			Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
			1	2	3	4	5

Severity>>

Probability Score	Probability of Occurrence
1 – Very Low	No significant probability; lightning Strike
2 – Low	Minimal probability of occurrence. Requires significant factor or combination of factors to take place. Significant increase in intensity of use.
3 – Moderate	Moderate probability. An added factor is needed to cause an accident. Designed use is unlikely to be problematic, additional factor is required. Covers or guards loose, removed or vandalised. Absent guard rail or barrier at high levels
4 – High	High probability. Accident is probable without any added factor. Glass contaminant in loose fill surface. Exposed sharp edges on equipment.
5 – Very High	Very High probability. If the situation is not addressed an accident is almost certain. Severely worn chains/shackles. Severely damaged surfacing within impact area

Severity Score	Severity of injury
1 – Very Low	No injury likely e.g. damaged or soiled clothing, minor bruising
2 – Low	Minor injury – Laceration or bruising requiring first aid only
3 – Moderate	Injury requiring medical intervention e.g. laceration requiring stitches, sprain, fracture of small bones of hand or foot.
4 – High	Serious injury including hospitalisation for observation e.g. concussion, fracture of long bones of leg/arm, back/neck injuries, fractured skull.
5 – Very High	Severe injury involving the potential for permanent disability e.g. amputation, loss of sight, spinal injury, fatality.

NB: When we inspect we only see a snapshot of the current condition of the equipment. It is the operator's responsibility to ensure that there is a continuing level of maintenance to keep the equipment in good working order and the site fit for use.

BS EN 1176:2008 Parts 1-11 (Playground equipment and surfacing)
BS EN 14974 (Facilities for users of roller sports equipment)
BS EN 15312 (Free access multi-sports equipment)
BS 10075 (Specification for Parkour Equipment)

Site Information

Inspection Ref: 442287

Site Ref: 19687

Customer Order No: None

Annual Inspection - 12 July 2017 at 13:48 Inspector: Martin Lawrence (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: **12 - Moderate Risk**



Location: The site is partially overlooked by properties in the local community

Disabled Access: Some accessible features; an area that presents difficulties to the majority of people with disabilities but in favourable circumstances and certainly in partnership can be accessed.



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Fence
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Sign
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



8 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The bench is not securely fixed to the surface and there is some possibility of the item tipping or rolling over - Secure the bench to the ground



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The timber on site has a number of splits (shakes) although these are not considered to be a problem at present - Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and cause any instability

Finding 2

There is some strimmer damage apparent on all posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 3

The adjacent foliage is overhanging - Cut back and maintain



8 - Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 7



Finding 1

The height of the slide runout is in excess of 350mm and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176: Part 3 - Monitor use

Finding 2

There is no side guard barrier to the slide start section and therefore does not conform to BS EN Standards - Monitor use

Finding 3

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface - Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment

Finding 4

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor use and replace with compliant links at the next maintenance cycle

Finding 5

The shackles are showing signs of corrosion - Consider replacing the shackles

Finding 6

The platforms are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

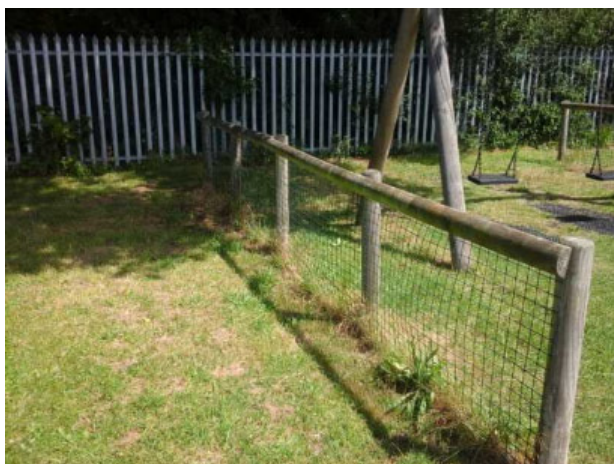
Finding 7

Parts of the timber are rough or splintered - Remove all rough or sharp edges



6 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - Swing Barrier
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

A number of fixing(s) have worked loose - Secure all loose fixings



10 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Setter Play
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface - Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment

Finding 3

This design of swing joint has been known to fail on the weld connecting the joint to the threaded stud - We would recommend that the joint be dismantled and checked on a regular basis or a Secondary Safety Device be fitted

Finding 2

There are caps missing from the underside of the seats - Replace missing caps under the seats



12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Setter Play
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor use and replace with compliant connectors at the next maintenance cycle

Finding 2

The seat is severely damaged and requires replacing - Replace damaged seat

Finding 3

The bushes are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 4

The suspension connection is loose - Tighten loose fixings to secure



10 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Setter Play
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor use

Finding 2

This design of swing joint has been known to fail on the weld connecting the joint to the threaded stud - We would recommend that the joint be dismantled and checked on a regular basis or a Secondary Safety Device be fitted



12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

Parts of the timber are rough or splintered - Remove all rough or sharp edges

Finding 2

The clearance to the underside of the beam is less than 400mm and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Rectify the installation

Finding 3

There is or are fixings missing on the rotating beam. There is only one screw in the one end - Replace all missing fixings



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Basketball Post
Manufacturer: Safe & Sound
Surface Type: N/A
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Other - Table Tennis
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1






Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required

Findings Information

 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Bench	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	Surface:	N/A
			
Finding:	The bench is not securely fixed to the surface and there is some possibility of the item tipping or rolling over		Action: Secure the bench to the ground

 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Site General	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	Surface:	N/A
			
Finding:	The timber on site has a number of splits (shakes) although these are not considered to be a problem at present		Action: Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and cause any instability



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some strimmer damage apparent on all posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: The adjacent foliage is overhanging

Action: Cut back and maintain



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The height of the slide runout is in excess of 350mm and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176: Part 3

Action: Monitor use



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is no side guard barrier to the slide start section and therefore does not conform to BS EN Standards

Action: Monitor use



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface

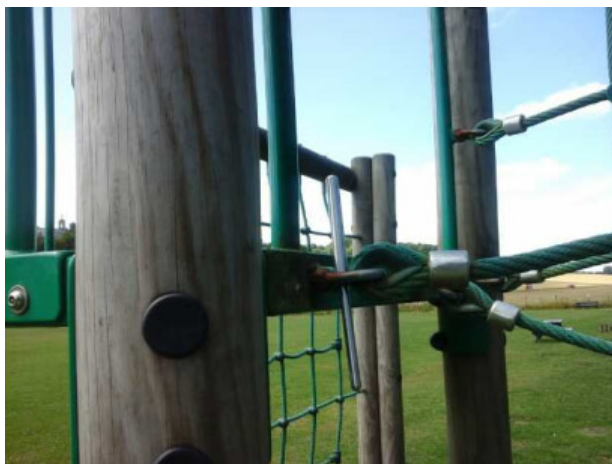
Action: Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

Action: Monitor use and replace with compliant links at the next maintenance cycle



6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The shackles are showing signs of corrosion

Action: Consider replacing the shackles



6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The platforms are showing signs of wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

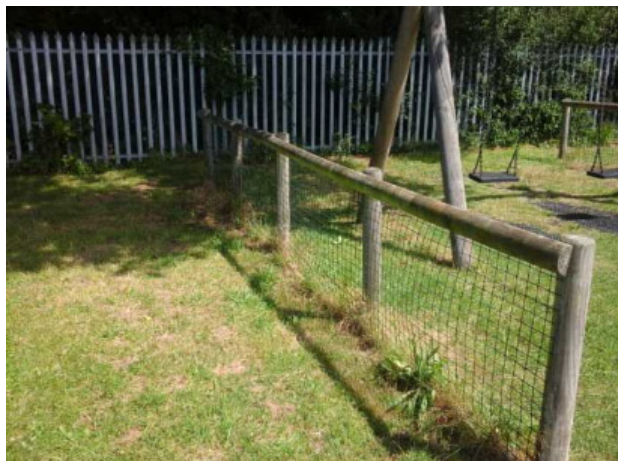
Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Swing Barrier
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: A number of fixing(s) have worked loose

Action: Secure all loose fixings



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface

Action: Lift and relay mats or test impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There are caps missing from the underside of the seats

Action: Replace missing caps under the seats



10 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: This design of swing joint has been known to fail on the weld connecting the joint to the threaded stud

Action: We would recommend that the joint be dismantled and checked on a regular basis or a Secondary Safety Device be fitted



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

Action: Monitor use and replace with compliant connectors at the next maintenance cycle



12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The seat is severely damaged and requires replacing

Action: Replace damaged seat



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The bushes are showing signs of wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The suspension connection is loose

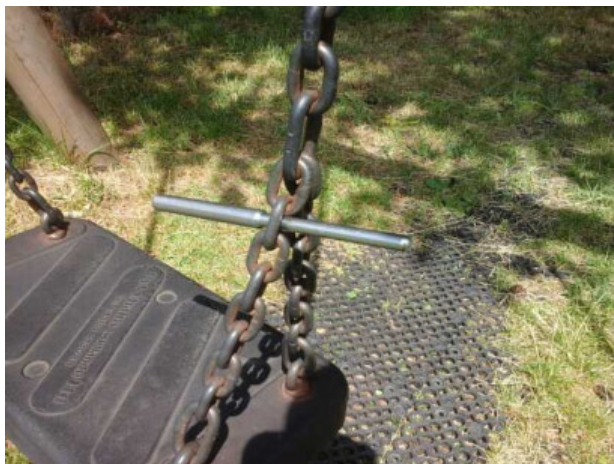
Action: Tighten loose fixings to secure



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176

Action: Monitor use



10 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Setter Play

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: This design of swing joint has been known to fail on the weld connecting the joint to the threaded stud

Action: We would recommend that the joint be dismantled and checked on a regular basis or a Secondary Safety Device be fitted



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges



8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The clearance to the underside of the beam is less than 400mm and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1
Action: Rectify the installation



12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail
Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the rotating beam. There is only one screw in the one end
Action: Replace all missing fixings