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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	М	Н	VH
4	High	VL	L	М	Н	Н
3	Moderate	VL	L	L	М	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: 657434 Site Ref: 19687 Customer Order No: None

Annual Inspection - 05 September 2018 at 14:37 Inspector: Lyn Williams 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.







Item: Ancillary Items - Fence

1

Not Identified Manufacturer:

Surface Type: Grass Equipment Compliance: N/A

Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Ref/Part Number: **Total Findings:** 



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



Ancillary Items - Sign Item:

1

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Surface Type: N/A Equipment Compliance: N/A

Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Ref/Part Number: **Total Findings:** 



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required







Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Surface Type: N/A Equipment Compliance: N/A

N/A

Surface Area Compliance:

Ref/Part Number: **Total Findings:** 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



#### 8 - Low Risk

Ancillary Items - Bench Item:

1

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Surface Type: N/A Equipment Compliance: N/A

N/A

Surface Area Compliance: Ref/Part Number: **Total Findings:** 



# Finding 1

The area around the item has eroded and may become slippery - Reinstate eroded area







#### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Surface Type: N/A Equipment N/A Compliance:

Surface Area N/A Compliance:

Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required







Ancillary Items - Site General Item:

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

N/A Surface Type: Equipment N/A Compliance:

Surface Area

N/A Compliance:

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 - Consider HIC testing impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment and replace as required

## Finding 3

There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the 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 2

All timber posts have a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will accelerate the rotting process -Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability







Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play

(Junior)

Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Equipment

Compliance:

Surface Area Yes Compliance:

Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 6



#### Finding 1

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

# Finding 2

The side of the slide extends less than 500mm above the slide surface at the start section - Monitor use

# Finding 3

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

## Finding 4

The timber platform is rough and worn - Sand down and treat affected areas

#### Finding 5

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

## Finding 6

There is surface corrosion present on the shackles - Consider treating and repainting the item







Swings - Swing Barrier Item:

N/A

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass Equipment N/A Compliance:

Surface Area Compliance:

Ref/Part Number: **Total Findings:** 1



## Finding 1

There is some evidence of rot in the timber - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



#### 6 - Low Risk

Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle) Item:

Setter Play Manufacturer: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Surface Type:

Equipment Compliance: No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Ref/Part Number: **Total Findings:** 2



## Finding 1

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

# Finding 2

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







#### 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:** 5



# Finding 1

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Reinstate surface

# Finding 2

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Reinstate surface

# Finding 3

There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

#### Finding 4

The rope has worn on the basket - Replace rope or net

# Finding 5

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







Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)

Yes

Manufacturer: Setter Play
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

**Equipment** No

Compliance:

Surface Area Compliance:

Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



## Finding 1

The tree canopy overhangs the equipment and is less than 2.0m away - Lift tree canopy to ensure a minimum clearance of 2.0m from the equipment

# Finding 2

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

## Finding 3

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles - Reinstate surface



# 5 - Very Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail

Manufacturer: A.E.Evans

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Equipment 1

Compliance:

Surface Area Yes Compliance:

Ref/Part Number:

Total Findings: 1



## Finding 1

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







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



Other - Table Tennis Item:

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 Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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





Finding: The area around the item has eroded and may become slippery

Action: Reinstate eroded area



#### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

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





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

Consider HIC testing impact absorbing Action:

properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment and replace as required







#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Ancillary Items - Site General Item:

Owner/Operator Manufacturer:

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





All timber posts have a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress which will accelerate the rotting process Finding:

Action:

Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability



#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General Manufacturer:

Owner/Operator

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





There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and Finding:

accelerate the rotting process

Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required





#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: A.E.Evans Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:





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

1176: Part 3

Monitor use Action:



#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: L - Low Risk A.E.Evans **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer: Surface:





Finding:

The side of the slide extends less than 500mm above the slide surface at the start

section

Action: Monitor use





#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:A.E.EvansSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

Action: R

Remove all rough or sharp edges



#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:A.E.EvansSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The timber platform is rough and worn

Action:

Sand down and treat affected areas







## 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk Item: A.E.Evans **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer: Surface:





Finding:

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

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



#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: L - Low Risk A.E.Evans Manufacturer: Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





There is surface corrosion present on the shackles Finding:

Action:

Consider treating and repainting the item





#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Swings - Swing BarrierRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass





Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action:

Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Setter PlaySurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are caps missing from the underside of **Action:** Replace missing caps under the seats the seats





# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Setter PlaySurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





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

Action: Monitor use



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Setter PlaySurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: There are gaps opening between the grass

Action: Reinstate surface





#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1 Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Setter Play Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles Finding:

Action: Reinstate surface





#### 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 3)

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









There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted Finding:

Replace all affected timbers





#### 9 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Setter PlaySurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The rope has worn on the basket Action: Replace rope or net



## 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Setter PlaySurface:Grass Matrix Tiles

Action:





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

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







#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Setter Play Surface: Manufacturer: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





The tree canopy overhangs the equipment and is less than 2.0m away Finding:

Action:

Lift tree canopy to ensure a minimum clearance of 2.0m from the equipment



# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

V - Very Low Risk Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Risk Level: Setter Play Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:





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

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







#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Setter Play Surface: Manufacturer: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: There are gaps opening between the grass

mat tiles

Action: Reinstate surface



# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

V - Very Low Risk Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail Risk Level: A.E.Evans Manufacturer:







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

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