

# the play inspection company

# **Annual Inspection**

Marldon Parish Council

Marldon Play Area















# **RPII Inspection Methodology**

This document outlines the RPII position on inspections undertaken by the Inspectors listed on the RPII Register of Inspectors for Indoor Annual, Outdoor Operational and Outdoor Routine.

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it the date of the standard will be that current at the time of inspection with the exception of where overlap periods are granted by the standards committee when standards are updated. The information contained in reports is provided to assist the owner/operator in fulfilling their responsibilities as detailed in the relevant standard. Other standards referenced within the listed standards do not form part of the inspection.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this would include public parks, pay and play parks, schools, nurseries, public houses, holiday parks, indoor play centres, farm parks etc. All equipment used or employed in publicly accessible areas should meet with the requirements of the relevant standards (listed below);

BS EN 1176 Parts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 10 & 11 Playground equipment intended for permanent installation outdoors & indoors.

BS EN 1176 Part 7 - 'Guidance on Installation, Inspection, Maintenance and Operation' (this document gives guidance to the owners/operators of the facility on the installation, inspection, maintenance and operation of playground equipment, including ancillary items).

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standard (BS EN 71 – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will still refer to BS EN 1176.

Other equipment that is not clearly identified as unsupervised or domestic (natural play, self-build equipment etc.) will be assessed for compliance with the relevant standard listed below:

BS EN 15312 - Free access multi-sports equipment

BS EN 14974 - Skateparks

**BS EN 16630** - Permanently installed outdoor fitness equipment

BS EN 16899 - Parkour equipment (plus RPII/API guidance notes)

Annual and Post Installation inspections will take into consideration compliance with current standards and defects related to wear and vandalism. Items not listed in the report have not been included in the inspection. The inspection will cover the playground equipment and the active area up to 3.0 metres around, or the fence line if closer.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to wear and vandalism. Routine visual inspections (if undertaken) relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

The inspection is non-dismantling, non-destructive and does not include for any structural, toxicology or impact assessments defined in the standard; however, the inspector will undertake a manual test for stability and if equipment fails under manual load, or any other hazard is identified as an unacceptable risk, the owner/operator will be notified as soon as practicably possible.

The inspector will access all standing surfaces as necessary on the equipment and assess all parts up to 2.5m above the standing surface. Where it is not possible to access parts of the equipment without employing an alternative means of access the report will record the action required by the owner/operator to ensure the continued safe use of the equipment. Ancillary equipment will be assessed using the inspector's knowledge and experience of the standards named in this document to ensure as far as is reasonably practicable the continued safe use of the items concerned. The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area. Inspectors who are trained to use ladders may use them where it is safe to do so, but if members of the public are present on-site ladders may not be used to access the equipment.

The inspector will not undertake any of the following works unless specifically agreed in writing at the time of order:

Checking the depth and underlying structural integrity of any surface areas and/or carrying out any testing of impact absorbing properties of any surfaces. The identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection or the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is underground. Tightening any bolts, hinges or other fixing devices on any apparatus or equipment. Assessing or inspecting any electrical installations contained on any site and/or apparatus and/or equipment. Assessing or inspecting any water supplies and/or water features and/or any associated computerised systems (including carrying out any programming).

Where planting or trees are mentioned in the report no aboricultural or horticultural assessments of toxicity, suitability or condition are undertaken; the owner/operator should have suitable inspections provided by a competent person.

The owner/operator should have a 'design risk assessment' provided by the manufacturer/designer of the area for the equipment and location in which the facility is installed.

The operator is responsible for managing risks of their provision and is required by law to carry out a 'suitable and sufficient assessment' of the risks associated with a site or activity and this inspection shall be considered as contributing to the operator's discharge of this responsibility.

The details contained within the report are a snapshot of the condition at the time of inspection only and subsequent events may affect the condition of the facility. Suggested remedial actions are based on the knowledge and experience of the inspector and/ or that of the inspection company. The owner/operator should seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person at all times when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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# Table 1

The operator is responsible for following the guidance of the relevant standards. The standards give guidance on the installation, inspection, maintenance and operation of the various types of facilities. The inspection guidance is listed in Table 1, with an indication of which parts will be included in an RPII Annual or Post-Installation Inspection. The relevant standards also contain additional parts which the operator should follow.

Inspection recommendations of relevant standards Refer to relevant standards for full text	Annual Main	RPII Annual Outdoor/ Fully enclosed Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b> [2]
6.1 d) Compliance with the relevant parts of the standard and or risk assessment (see note 3)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [3]
6.1 d) Effects of weather	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b>
6.1 d) Presence of rot, decay or corrosion (see note 1)	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Assessment of repairs made or added or replaced components (see note 4)	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b> [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	<b>V</b>	×
6.2.1 Assessment of glass reinforced plastics (see note 5)	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b> [5]
6.2.1 Inspection of one post equipment (see note 1)	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>V</b>	×

NB: The clause numbers in table 1 are taken from BS EN 1176 - Part 7:2020. The content is equally applicable to all other relevant standards listed herein. Playgrounds contain a range of equipment from different manufacturers and installed over a number of years; operators should implement any guidance provided by the manufacturer. Item specific detail is not readily available to RPII Playground Inspectors, whose report contributes to the operator's overall Annual Main Inspection as detailed in the relevant standards.

- [1] A manual test only is undertaken for stability. Wear and instability are only detectable where readily apparent without dismantling or destruction and without the use of tools, excavation or specialist equipment. Rot and corrosion are tested or with a hammer and/or steel rod. Decay in timber may exist which can only be found with specialist equipment.
- [2] Only the visible condition and dimensional compliance of surface extent is considered. Neither testing of impact attenuating properties nor measurement of the thickness of bound surfaces are undertaken on RPII annual inspections.
- [3] The inspection assesses compliance where this can be tested on site using manual methods without dismantling, destruction and without the use of tools or specialist equipment.
- [4] The operator should use manufacturer's recommended parts, or equivalent. We are unable to verify if such parts have been used, and any subsequent change in quality or performance
- [5] Visible glass fibres will be noted in reports. The operator is responsible for repairs or replacement.

# **Risk Assessment Matrix**

			Scores in the report are multiplication factors of Likelihood x Severity						
			Severity>>						
	Very High probability, if the situation is not addressed an accident is almost certain.	5	Very High	VL (5)	L (10)	M (15)	H (20)	VH (25)	
	High probability an accident is probable without any added factor.	4	High	VL (4)	L (8)	M (12)	H (16)	H (20)	
Likelihood	Moderate probability an incident is foreseeable.	3	Moderate	VL (3)	L (6)	L (9)	M (12)	M (15)	
	Some probability, requires a combination of factors to take place.	2	Low	VL (2)	VL (4)	L (6)	L (8)	L (10)	
	No significant probability; lightning strike, freak accident.	1	Very Low	VL (1)	VL (2)	VL (3)	VL (4)	VL (5)	
		•		Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	
				1	2	3	4	5	
	PI			No injury likely e.g. damaged or soiled clothing, minor bruising, grazes	Minor injury, laceration or bruising requiring first aid only	Injury requiring medical intervention e.g. cuts requiring stitches	Serious injury including concussions or fracture of long bones	Severe injury involving a potential life changing injury or fatality	
	Severity>>								

Note 1: The total risk scores included within our reports are a multipication factor of the calculated Likelihood and Severity of each finding. Both Likelihood and Severity are given a number between 1 - 5 as shown on the matrix above and these two numbers are then multiplied together to give the total risk score that is shown against defects on the report. Total risk scores can be divided in both directions, i.e. a total risk score of 12 could be a Likelihood (3) x Severity (4) or Likelihood (4) x Severity (3).

Note 2: When we inspect we only see a snapshot of the current condition of the equipment. It is the operators 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.

# Equipment has been assessed to the following standards where relevant:

BS EN 1176 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 EN 16899 (Parkour Equipment)

BS EN 16630 (Outdoor Fitness Equipment).



# Marldon Play Area

Inspection Ref: 1216896 Site Ref: 74782 Customer Order: N/A

Inspected: 23-October-2020 - 08:23 by Dr. Jody Chilton RPII Annual Inspector

Risk Assessment: 16 High Risk



# Location:

The site is located in an area of public open space and is not directly overlooked by any properties in the local community.

# Disabled Access:

Severely limited access – an area that presents serious barriers to disabled people, even when skilled help is at hand.





# 8 - Low Risk

Item:Gate - Self ClosingManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface Type:Brick Paviers

Item Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:N/ASurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 5



# Finding 1

The gate was secured at the time of the inspection to prevent access to the site. - Ensure that the gate closes between 4-8 seconds once re-opened

# Finding 3

The slam post has rotted and sheared - Replace

# Finding 5

There are openings that are less than 12mm that could trap or crush fingers - Where possible a 12mm gap should be maintained on both sides or between the gate leafs

# Finding 2

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

# Finding 4

The gate is damaged - Repair as required



# 6 - Low Risk

Item: Sign

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type:N/AItem Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:N/ASurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

There is or are fixings missing on the item - Replace all missing fixings



6 - Low Risk

Item: Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

There is minor damage to the unit - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



12 - Moderate Risk

Fencing - Timber Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified

**Surface Type:** Grass **Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 10



Finding 1 Finding 2

The lower rail of the fence may encourage climbing and there are head / neck entrapments between the projections on the top of the fence - Consider removal of the entrapments

A post has rotted and sheared and the fence section is unstable - Repair as required to secure

Finding 3 Finding 4

The fence is damaged in places - Repair or replace all

affected sections

There are a number of loose posts around the fence -

Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required

There is some evidence of rot in the timber throughout -

Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required Secure all loose fixings Finding 9

A post has rotted and sheared - Replace

A number of fixings have pulled through two slats due to rot - Replace the slats and secure

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

Finding 8

A number of fixings have worked loose around the fencing -

Finding 10

There are fixings missing and a section of fence is unsecured - Repair as required to secure





# 6 - Low Risk

Gate - Maintenance Item:

Not Identified Manufacturer:

Surface Type: Grass **Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 3



# Finding 1

There is no padlock on the maintenance gate - Provide a padlock to secure the gate

Finding 3

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

# Finding 2

The hinge is loose - Repair as required



# 8 - Low Risk

Bench Item: Not Identified Manufacturer: **Surface Type:** Concrete

**Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

1 **Total Findings:** 



# Finding 1

There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment - Clean and treat appropriately



8 - Low Risk

Item: Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 5



Finding 1

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

# Finding 3

The timber has 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

# Finding 5

There is some evidence of fire damage to the item - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

# Finding 2

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

# Finding 4

Two components are loose - Repair as required to secure



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8 - Low Risk

Item:Site GeneralManufacturer:Owner/Operator

Surface Type: N/A Item Quantity: 1 Equipment Compliance: N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 8



Finding 1

There is algae or moss growth on the surfaces throughout the site resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately

# Finding 3

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surfaces throughout the site - Reinstate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points

# Finding 5

There are gaps opening in between the tiles on the tile surfaces around the site - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

# Finding 7

The site was closed to the public at the time of the inspection. The main access gate had been secured to prevent access and there are warning signs present. The site is however, still relatively easy to access and users have been reported entering the site to access/use the equipment - Monitor use and consider providing Heras securing fencing to prevent further unauthorised access if required

# Finding 2

The grass is overgrown within the play area and may hide hazards - Reduce the length of grass to an acceptable height and maintain. We would recommend that the grass is cut prior to the site being reopened to the public

# Finding 4

There was warning tape secured to the equipment at the time of the inspection that may present an additional hazard to users accessing the site. The tape was removed by Suzie Watt at the time of the inspection. - N/A

### Finding 6

There are weeds/vegetation growth between or around the edges of the surfacing - Remove weeds/vegetation growth

# Finding 8

The inspector met with Suzie Watt on site at the time of the site visit in order to discuss the findings of the inspection. - N/A



8 - Low Risk

Item: Spring Horse

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Surface Type: Wet Pour

Item Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:YesSurface Area Compliance:Yes

Total Findings: 3



Finding 1 Finding 2

The spring cover is damaged, split or missing - Replace the The spring clamps are loose - Tighten all loose fixings

Finding 3

The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint



12 - Moderate Risk

Item: See Saw Manufacturer: Not Identified **Surface Type: Rubber Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** No Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 6



Finding 1

The structural frame of the unit is heavily corroded and a number of the mount / fixing points appear to be compromised. The structural integrity of the unit cannot be guaranteed. If the unit is to be retained on site, significant work will be required to the frame to ensure it retains its structural integrity and to prevent any further deterioration. -We would recommend that the structural frame of the unit is dismantled as far as possible and all components inspected for corrosion and to ensure continued structural integrity. Treat and repaint or replace any compromised components as required

# Finding 3

There is some lateral movement in the mechanism - Monitor There are corroded projecting bolt thread(s) present for any further deterioration and repair as required

# Finding 5

The ground clearance of the seats at the lowest point is less. The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn than 230mm and fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 6 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

# Finding 2

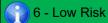
There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving parts (possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176 Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

### Finding 4

Replace all corroded fixings, remove excess thread lengths and deburr or provide caps for all accessible bolts

exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint





Item:RoundaboutManufacturer:Husson UKSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:YesSurface Area Compliance:Yes

Total Findings: 3



# Finding 1

The cap is slightly loose - Monitor for any further deterioration and secure as required

# Finding 3

The bearing is showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

# Finding 2

There is minor damage to the unit - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

# 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Free Standing Slide

Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface Type: Rubber Tiles

Item Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:NoSurface Area Compliance:Yes

Total Findings: 5



# Finding 1

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

# Finding 3

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting extensively throughout - Treat any rusting components and repaint

# Finding 5

There is minor cracking on the chute sides - Repair as required

# Finding 2

There is / are toggle entrapment/s present in contravention of the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176 Part 3 - Monitor - no remedial work recommended

# Finding 4

Parts of the steel on two steps have corroded excessively and the metal has perforated in places - Ensure all affected areas are treated and repaired



# 16 - High Risk

2 Bay Swing Item:

Wicksteed Playgrounds Manufacturer:

**Surface Type:** Wet Pour

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 4



# Finding 1

The surfacing is damaged creating trip points and exposing the concrete base - Repair damaged areas of surfacing

# Finding 2

The seat(s) and suspension were missing at the time of inspection and the inspector was unable to make a full compliance assessment - Repair the frame defect and damaged wet pour safety surface prior to reinstating the missing seats and suspensions

# Finding 3

There is or are fixings missing on the central post and the crossbar has become unseated on the post mount - Refer to manufacturer, reinstate the crossbar on its mount and replace all missing fixings. Ensure that the structure is fully secured.

# Finding 4

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint

# 🧌 8 - Low Risk

Item: Multi Play (Toddler) Playdale Playgrounds Ltd Manufacturer: Surface Type: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 4



### Finding 1

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

Finding 3

Finding 4

There is/are several inserts missing - Replace missing

inserts

cover

Finding 2

There are a number of dents in the slide surface - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

The cover is missing from the net mount - Replace the



12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Activity Trail

Manufacturer: Playdale Playgrounds Ltd

Surface Type:MattaItem Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:NoSurface Area Compliance:Yes

Total Findings: 7



Finding 1

There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment and the unit is very slippery - Clean and treat appropriately meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Mon

Finding 4

Finding 2

meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 3

There is some notable evidence of chain wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

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

Finding 6

Finding 5

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

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

Finding 7

The item has missing component(s) x2 - Consider replacing missing components



8 - Low Risk

Item:Basketball PostManufacturer:Sure ShotSurface Type:Bitmac

Item Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:YesSurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 5



Finding 1

The bitmac surface under or around this unit has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

Finding 3

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint

Finding 5

There are remnants of the net present on the ring - Remove

Finding 2

There is algae or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately

Finding 4

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti



# **Findings information**



**Finding:** The gate was secured at the time of the inspection **Action:** Ensure that the gate closes between 4-8 seconds to prevent access to the site.







# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Ancillary Items - Gate - Self ClosingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Brick Paviers





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

**Action:** Secure all loose fixings

# 1

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Ancillary Items - Gate - Self ClosingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Brick Paviers





Finding: The slam post has rotted and sheared

Action: Replace







# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Ancillary Items - Gate - Self ClosingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Brick Paviers





Finding: The gate is damaged Action: Repair as required

# 1

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Ancillary Items - Gate - Self ClosingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Brick Paviers



**Finding:** There are openings that are less than 12mm that could trap or crush fingers



**Action:** Where possible a 12mm gap should be maintained on both sides or between the gate leafs







Item:Ancillary Items - SignRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:N/A





Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the item

**Action:** Replace all missing fixings

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Ancillary Items - Litter BinRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass



Finding: There is minor damage to the unit



**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required







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projections on the top of the fence



# 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Fencing - Timber

Manufacturer: Not Identified



**Finding:** A post has rotted and sheared and the fence section is unstable

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk

Surface: Grass



Action: Repair as required to secure

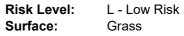






Item: Ancillary Items - Fencing - Timber

Manufacturer: Not Identified









Finding: The fence is damaged in places

Action: Repair or replace all affected sections

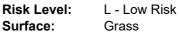






Ancillary Items - Fencing - Timber Item:

Manufacturer: Not Identified









Finding: A number of fixings have pulled through two slats Action: Replace the slats and secure due to rot



















# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Ancillary Items - Fencing - Timber

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Grass

Risk Level:





**Finding:** There is some evidence of rot in the timber throughout

**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

L - Low Risk

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

Item: Ancillary Items - Fencing - Timber

Manufacturer: Not Identified



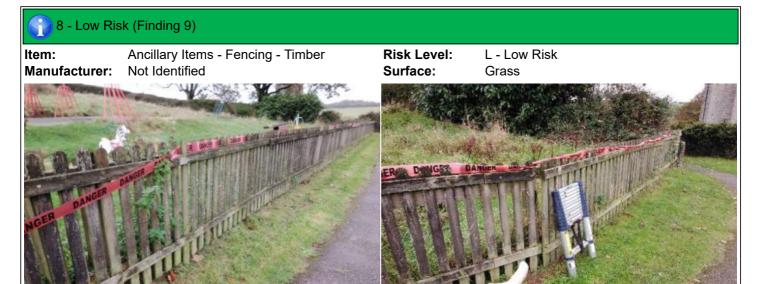


**Finding:** A number of fixings have worked loose around the **Action:** Secure all loose fixings fencing

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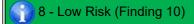


Finding: A post has rotted and sheared

Action: Replace







Item: Ancillary Items - Fencing - Timber

Manufacturer: Not Identified



Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Grass





**Finding:** There are fixings missing and a section of fence is **Action:** Repair as required to secure unsecured







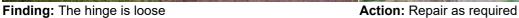
Action: Provide a padlock to secure the gate

6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Ancillary Items - Gate - MaintenanceRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass



Finding: There is no padlock on the maintenance gate









Item:Ancillary Items - Gate - MaintenanceRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass







Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber post

**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required





















6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Ancillary Items - Picnic TableRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass

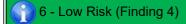




**Finding:** The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air cracks and this may affect the stability or allow water ingress fixing points of the structure and/or cause any instability which will accelerate the rotting process







Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table Risk Level:







L - Low Risk



Finding: Two components are loose

Action: Repair as required to secure







Item:Ancillary Items - Picnic TableRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass





**Finding:** There is some evidence of fire damage to the item **Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required























#### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 4)

Ancillary Items - Site General

Owner/Operator Manufacturer:

Risk Level: Surface:

N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken





Finding: There was warning tape secured to the equipment Action: N/A at the time of the inspection that may present an additional hazard to users accessing the site. The tape was removed by Suzie Watt at the time of the inspection.

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General

Owner/Operator Manufacturer:

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





Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles on the Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as tile surfaces around the site required







**Finding:** There are weeds/vegetation growth between or around the edges of the surfacing

Action: Remove weeds/vegetation growth



0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 7)

Ancillary Items - Site General

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken Surface: N/A



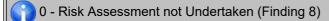




Finding: The site was closed to the public at the time of the Action: Monitor use and consider providing Heras securing inspection. The main access gate had been secured to prevent access and there are warning signs present. The site is however, still relatively easy to access and users have been reported entering the site to access/use the equipment

fencing to prevent further unauthorised access if required





Item: Ancillary Items - Site General

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator



**Finding:** The inspector met with Suzie Watt on site at the time of the site visit in order to discuss the findings of the inspection.

Risk Level: Surface:

N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

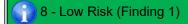
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Action: N/A







Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring HorseRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Wet Pour







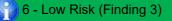
Finding: The spring cover is damaged, split or missing

**Action:** Replace the cover









Finding: The spring clamps are loose

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring HorseRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Wet Pour





Action: Tighten all loose fixings

**Finding:** The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or **Action:** Treat any rusting components and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting





## 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 1)

Rocking Equipment - See Saw Item:

Manufacturer: Not Identified Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk Surface: Rubber Tiles









Finding: The structural frame of the unit is heavily corroded Action: We would recommend that the structural frame of and a number of the mount / fixing points appear to be compromised. The structural integrity of the unit cannot be guaranteed. If the unit is to be retained on site, significant work will be required to the frame to ensure it retains its structural integrity and to prevent any further deterioration.

the unit is dismantled as far as possible and all components inspected for corrosion and to ensure continued structural integrity. Treat and repaint or replace any compromised components as required







### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Rocking Equipment - See SawRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Rubber Tiles





**Finding:** There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving **Action:** Monitor - No remedial work recommended parts (possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176

Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts

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

Item:Rocking Equipment - See SawRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Rubber Tiles





**Finding:** There is some lateral movement in the mechanism **Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required







### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Rocking Equipment - See Saw

Manufacturer: Not Identified



Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Rubber Tiles





**Finding:** There are corroded projecting bolt thread(s) present

**Action:** Replace all corroded fixings, remove excess thread lengths and deburr or provide caps for all accessible bolts



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Rocking Equipment - See SawRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Rubber Tiles





**Finding:** The ground clearance of the seats at the lowest point is less than 230mm and fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 6

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended









6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout

Manufacturer: Husson UK

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



Finding: The cap is slightly loose



**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and secure as required







Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout

Manufacturer: Husson UK

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







Finding: There is minor damage to the unit

**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required







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

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout

Manufacturer: Husson UK



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



**Finding:** The bearing is showing signs of wear

**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

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#### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Rubber Tiles





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Finding: The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

barriers and/or steps





## 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Other - Free Standing Slide Item:

Manufacturer: Not Identified Risk Level: Surface:

V - Very Low Risk Rubber Tiles







**Finding:** There is / are toggle entrapment/s present in contravention of the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176 Part 3

Action: Monitor - no remedial work recommended







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Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:M - Moderate RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Rubber Tiles









**Finding:** Parts of the steel on two steps have corroded excessively and the metal has perforated in places

Action: Ensure all affected areas are treated and repaired













Item: Swings - 2 Bay Swing Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: Wet Pour

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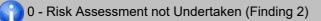






**Finding:** The surfacing is damaged creating trip points and **Action:** Repair damaged areas of surfacing exposing the concrete base





Item: Swings - 2 Bay Swing

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds



**Finding:** The seat(s) and suspension were missing at the time of inspection and the inspector was unable to make a full compliance assessment

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Wet Pour



**Action:** Repair the frame defect and damaged wet pour safety surface prior to reinstating the missing seats and suspensions



## 16 - High Risk (Finding 3)

Swings - 2 Bay Swing Item: Wicksteed Playgrounds Manufacturer:



Risk Level: H - High Risk Wet Pour Surface:





Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the central post Action: Refer to manufacturer, reinstate the crossbar on its and the crossbar has become unseated on the post mount

mount and replace all missing fixings. Ensure that the structure is fully secured.







### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Swings - 2 Bay Swing Item: Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds



Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting



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

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Playdale Playgrounds Ltd Manufacturer: Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

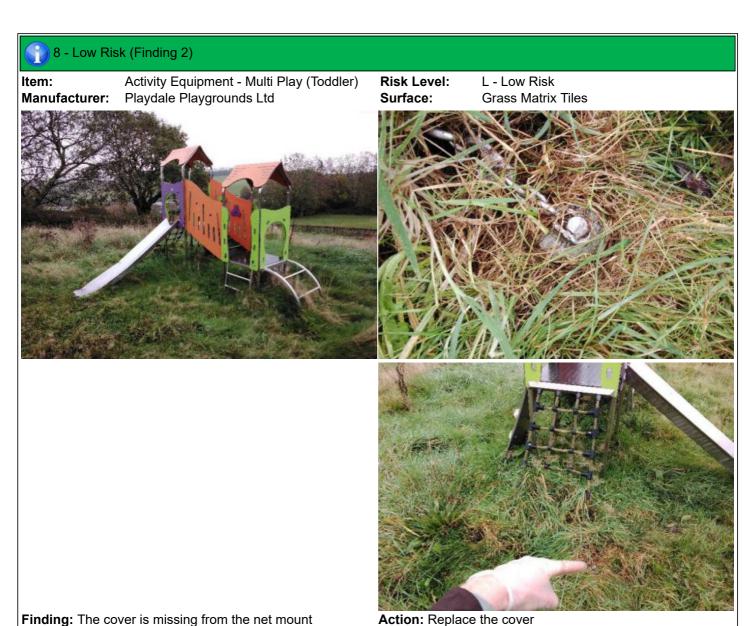


Finding: A number of fixing(s) have worked loose

Action: Secure all loose fixings













### 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: There is/are several inserts missing

Action: Replace missing inserts



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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There are a number of dents in the slide surface



**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required





12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk

Manufacturer: Playdale Playgrounds Ltd Surface: Matta



**Finding:** There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment and the unit is very slippery



Action: Clean and treat appropriately

## 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Matta



**Finding:** The chain openings are in excess of 8.6mm and do not meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1



Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended



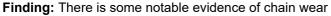




#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Matta







**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Matta







**Action:** Secure all loose fixings







#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Matta



**Finding:** There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the 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 6)

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Matta



**Finding:** There is some evidence of rot in the timber throughout



**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required







Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:Matta





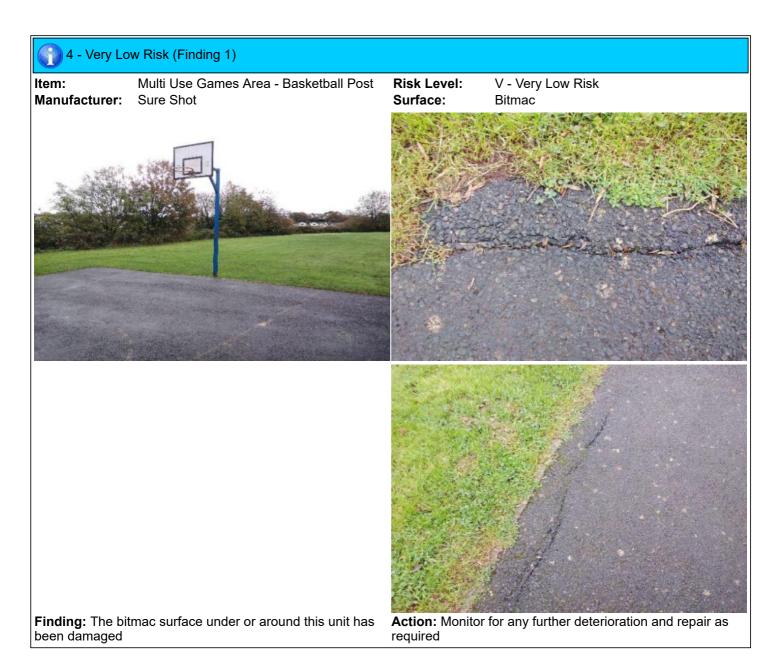


Finding: The item has missing component(s) x2

Action: Consider replacing missing components



















L - Low Risk Multi Use Games Area - Basketball Post Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Sure Shot Surface: Bitmac







Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting







