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Annual Inspection

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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: 365051

Site Ref: 41044

Customer Order No: None

Annual Inspection - 07 March 2017 at 15:30 Inspector: Robert Baldock (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: **8 - Low 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: 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.



2 - 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

It is recommended that information signs with emergency contact details are installed at each entrance/exit point to the playground - Provide in accordance with the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Fence - Chainlink
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
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



8 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

The gate is not a contrasting colour to the fencing making it difficult for users with impaired sight to distinguish it from the fence - We would recommend that the gates are painted a distinguishable colour to that of the fence

Finding 2

The area under the gate has eroded leaving uneven areas, or the concrete foundations exposed, resulting in trip hazards at the entrance/exit to the playground - Reinstate to level with surrounding surfaces

Finding 3

The opening between the gate and the post is less than 12mm and could trap users fingers - Adjust gate to ensure a 12mm opening all around

Finding 4

The gate is closing too quickly (less than 4 seconds) - Take corrective action to ensure that the gate closes in 4-8 seconds



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Maintenance
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 - Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
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



8 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Grass
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



8 - Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

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

Finding 2

The adjacent foliage has overgrown the item - Cut back and maintain



6 - Low Risk

Item: Multi Use Games Area - 5 a side Goals
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

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



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Stepping Stones
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Other - Sand Box
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Sand
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

There is some tree debris on the surfacing - Remove and maintain

Finding 2

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



8 - Low Risk

Item: Other - Natural Play Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

A number of The palisade logs have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 2

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 3

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

Finding 4

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



8 - Low Risk

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 6



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 concrete and timber edging forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor use

Finding 3

A number of timber posts have rotted on the barriers - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 4

The slide start section incline is not in the direction of travel; it should slope towards the direction of the sliding surface - Monitor use

Finding 5

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

Finding 6

The surface has eroded in some areas - Reinststate the surface



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Train
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Rocking Equipment - See Saw
Manufacturer: GL Jones
Surface Type: Rubber Tiles
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

There are gaps opening in between the tiles - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Playquip
Surface Type: Rubber Tiles
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: No
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The surfacing width under each seat is less than 1.75 metres and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 2 - Monitor use

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

There are gaps opening in between the tiles - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



6 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Playquip
Surface Type: Rubber Tiles
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: No
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 5



Finding 1

The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor use and replace with compliant chains during next maintenance cycle.

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

The seat has minor damage or wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 4

The surfacing width under each seat is less than 1.75 metres and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 2 - Monitor use

Finding 5

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



6 - Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Parallel Bars
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The surface has eroded in some areas - Reinstate the surface



Finding 2

There is some strimmer 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 3

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

Findings Information

2 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Sign	Risk Level:	V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	Surface:	N/A
			
Finding:	It is recommended that information signs with emergency contact details are installed at each entrance/exit point to the playground		
Action:	Provide in accordance with the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176		

6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Gate - Self Closing	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Not Identified	Surface:	Grass
			
Finding:	The gate is not a contrasting colour to the fencing making it difficult for users with impaired sight to distinguish it from the fence		
Action:	We would recommend that the gates are painted a distinguishable colour to that of the fence		



8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Self Closing

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface: Grass



Finding: The area under the gate has eroded leaving uneven areas, or the concrete foundations exposed, resulting in trip hazards at the entrance/exit to the playground

Action: Reinstate to level with surrounding surfaces



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The opening between the gate and the post is less than 12mm and could trap users fingers
Action: Adjust gate to ensure a 12mm opening all around



6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The gate is closing too quickly (less than 4 seconds)

Action: Take corrective action to ensure that the gate closes in 4-8 seconds



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The bin is not securely fixed to the surface and there is some possibility of the item tipping or rolling over

Action: Secure the bin to the ground



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The adjacent foliage has overgrown the item

Action: Cut back and maintain



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - 5 a side Goals
Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface: Grass



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting

Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Sand Box
Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface: Sand



Finding: There is some tree debris on the surfacing

Action: Remove and maintain



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Sand Box
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Sand



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

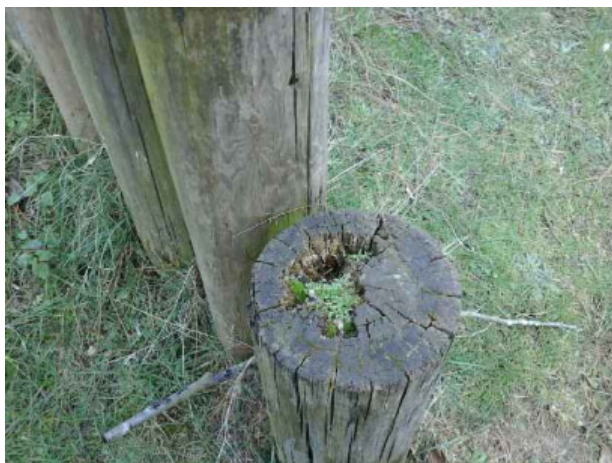
Action: Remove weeds/vegetation growth



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Natural Play Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: A number of The palisade logs have rotted

Action: Replace all affected timbers



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Natural Play Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

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



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Natural Play Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment

Action: Clean and treat appropriately



6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Other - Natural Play Feature
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber balance beams

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

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



8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The concrete and timber edging forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1
Action: Monitor use



8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: A number of timber posts have rotted on the barriers
Action: Replace all affected timbers



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The slide start section incline is not in the direction of travel; it should slope towards the direction of the sliding surface

Action: Monitor use



6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting

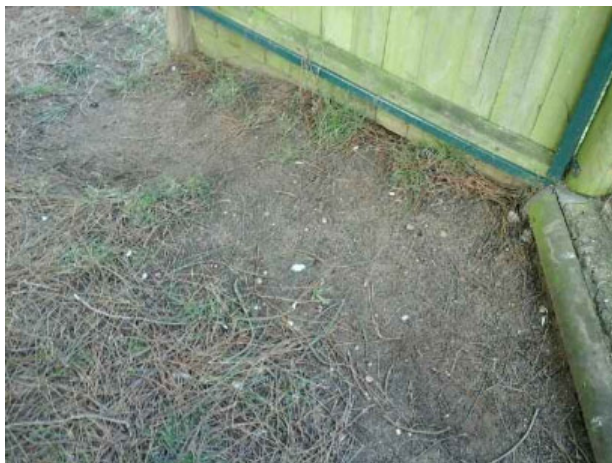
Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint



6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The surface has eroded in some areas

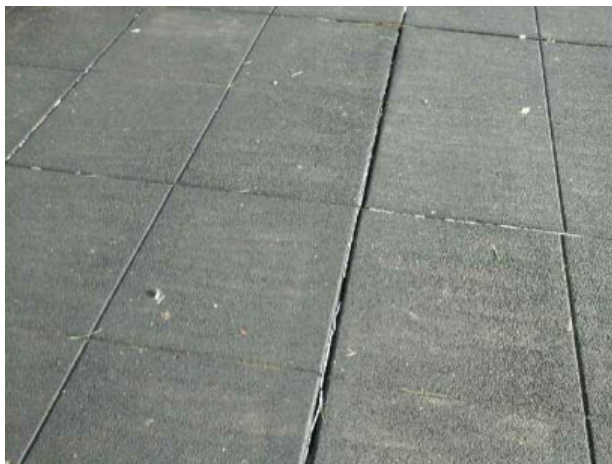
Action: Reinstate the surface



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rocking Equipment - See Saw
Manufacturer: GL Jones

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: The surfacing width under each seat is less than 1.75 metres and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 2

Action: Monitor use



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting

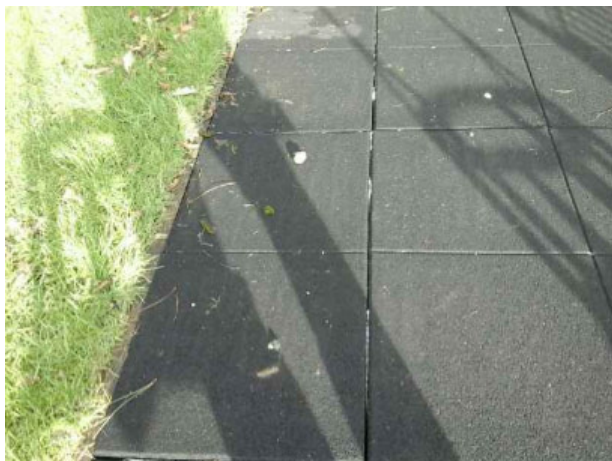
Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint



6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles

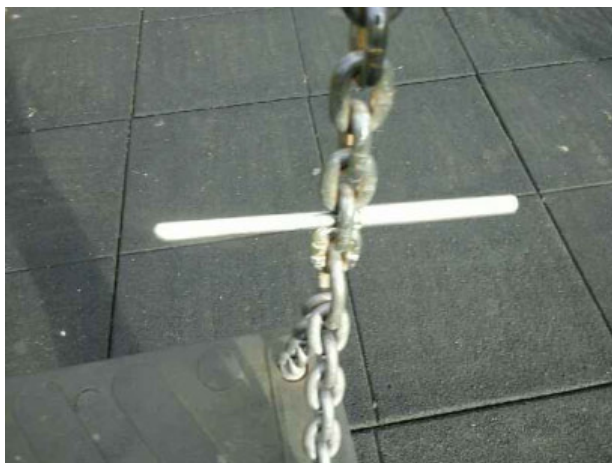
Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



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

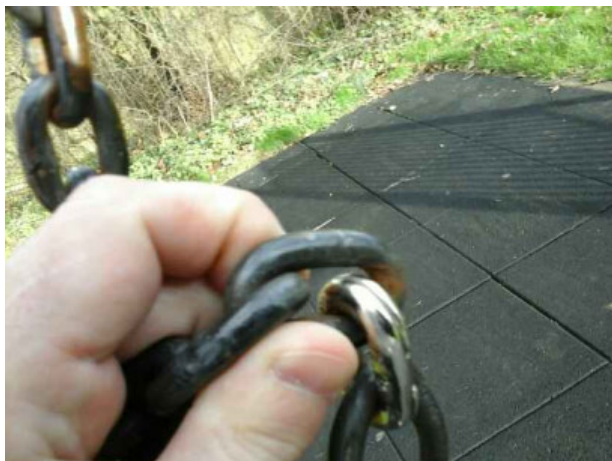
Action: Monitor use and replace with compliant chains during next maintenance cycle.



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: There is some chain wear

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



6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

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

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: The surfacing width under each seat is less than 1.75 metres and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 2

Action: Monitor use



6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Rubber Tiles



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting

Action: Treat any rusting components and repaint



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Parallel Bars
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The surface has eroded in some areas

Action: Reinstate the surface



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Parallel Bars
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some strimmer 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 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Parallel Bars
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required