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**To: Councillors** 

Mark Skelton David Yates David Brannen

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You are summoned to the Fixed Assets Committee meeting
To take place on Thursday 24 July 2025 at 7.30pm

at St Stephen Suite, Parish Centre, Station Road, Bricket Wood, AL2 3PJ

Members of the public and press are invited to attend and are requested to contact the Clerk prior to the day of the meeting (contact details above)

#### A Feron

Amanda Feron, Assistant Clerk, 11 July 2025

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#### **AGENDA**

2526/AC/009	To receive and accept apologies for absence
2526/AC/010	Declarations of interest and dispensations  a) To receive declarations of interest from Councillors on items on the agenda b) To receive written requests for dispensations for declarable interests; and c) To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
2526/AC/011	To approve the minutes of the Fixed Assets committee meeting held on 2 July 2025.
2526/AC/012	Public Participation - To invite comment and questions from the public in accordance with the Public Speaking Policy.
2526/AC/013	To receive Annual Play Inspection Reports. Reports attached.
2526/AC/014	To discuss and agree new height barrier for Park Street. Report attached.
2526/AC/015	To discuss and agree using gravel grids at Greenwood Park Car park. Report attached.
2526/AC/016	To consider and agree the preferred option for the fencing and gate at the Parish Centre and to make a recommendation to Full Council. Report attached.
2526/AC/017	To consider options for accessible entrance door to Greenwood Park Community Centre and agree next steps.
2526/AC/018	To agree next steps to progress Place Services stage 2.
2526/AC/019	Clerk's report

# Item for Submission to: St Stephen Parish Council Fixed Asset

Date of Meeting: 24/07/2025

Agenda Item	Gravel Grids
2526/AC/015	

#### 1. Purpose

To propose the installation of Cell Pave 50 at Greenwood Park's top car park to prevent further pothole damage, with reference to similar work at Park Street Rec.

#### 2. Introduction

The top car park at Greenwood Park has developed a recurring issue with potholes, particularly where the hard standing meets the loose fill (gravel) area. These potholes are caused by vehicle movements eroding the edge and pushing material into the softer surface, leading to safety concerns and ongoing maintenance requirements.

#### 3. Proposal

To resolve this, we propose installing Cell Pave 50 at the transition point. This cellular paving system will reinforce the surface, stabilize the edge, and prevent further erosion and pothole formation. It is a proven solution that integrates well with existing gravel areas.

#### 4. Financial and Legal Comments

#### **Budget and Timing:**

I would like to use the Greenwood Park Car Park budget (£1752) to purchase the Cell Pave 50 grids. If there is any shortfall, I propose covering it using the Greenwood Park repairs and maintenance budget. The work is scheduled to take place toward the end of September, in conjunction with the planned removal of the damaged wall and the tree near the Community Centre.

#### **RECOMMENDED** that the Committee:

Installing Cell Pave 50 will help protect the Greenwood Park car park from further deterioration, reduce future maintenance costs, and improve safety for users—following the successful example set at Park Street Rec.

Report of	Matthew Huddleston	10/07/2025
		101011-0-0

# Report: Need to Budget for Replacement Height Barrier at Park Street Recreation Ground 2026

#### **Overview:**

It is recommended that a budget allocation be made in the next financial year for the replacement of the height barrier at Park Street Recreation Ground.



#### **Reason for Replacement:**

The existing height barrier has significantly deteriorated due to internal corrosion. Upon inspection, it has been found that the bottom section of the barrier has corroded from the inside out, resulting in visible holes. This level of damage compromises the structural integrity and effectiveness of the barrier.





#### **Safety and Security Concerns:**

Continued use of the current barrier in its weakened state presents a safety risk to both vehicles and pedestrians.

#### **Financial Considerations:**

The cost to supply and install a new height barrier, from start to completion, is estimated at £4,000–£5,000. The budget currently available in this financial year is not sufficient to cover this expense. As such, it is necessary to plan for this cost in the next financial year's budget.

#### **Recommendation:**

A full replacement of the barrier is required to ensure continued protection and control of vehicle access to the recreation ground. It is therefore essential to include the cost of a new barrier in the 2026 budget planning.

#### Item for Submission to: St Stephen Parish Council Fixed Assets Committee Date of Meeting: 24 July 2025

Agenda Item	To consider and agree the preferred option for the		
2526/AC/016	fencing and gate at the Parish Centre and to make a		
	recommendation to Full Council.		

#### 1. Purpose

To consider two costed options for the Parish Centre car park and make a recommendation to Full Council.

#### 2. Introduction

The Fixed Assets Committee requested two costed proposals to determine the most suitable method of managing access to the Parish given the new development sharing our driveway. This development is expected to increase traffic and as our site includes a children's nursery there are safety and security concerns.

#### Option 1:

Replace the existing front gate with an electric gate.

- This would provide controlled vehicle access while maintaining the current gate location.
- Automated operation could enhance security and ease of access for authorised users.

#### Option 2:

Remove the existing front gate and undertake a more comprehensive upgrade:

- Install fencing along the pathway leading to the car park;
- Install a new gate at the entrance to the car park;
- Implement a redesigned car park layout to accommodate increased traffic and improve safety.

This option seeks to better control and separate vehicle access to the parish Centre car park.

#### 3. Option costs

Options 1: Replace front gate with electric version, 5.4 m opening:

Gate and installation: £12,314.53 Power to gate, electrician: £390

Total: £12,704.53

Option 2: Move gate and add fencing

Remove front gate, replace with electric gate into car park: £11,322.22

Power to gate, electrician:£390

Contractor costs and grounds staff trench for cable £600

Remove and reinstall flag pole: staff operational costs Marking out loading bay and car park: In tarmac tender 55mx 1.2m fencing and pedestrian gate: £8,386.68 **Total:** £20,698.90

Report of	Assistant Clerk and	Date 11 July 2025
	Grounds Manager	



# the play inspection company

# **Annual Inspection**

St Albans City and District Council

Greenwood Park Play Area

Greenwood Park, Tippendell Lane, St Albans, AL2 3HW















### Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

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

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except 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, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes 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, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

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 these 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 (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include 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 reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts 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. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

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 the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); 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 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. 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 always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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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/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>~</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>~</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>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>✓</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					
					Sev	erity>>		
	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)
	THE PLAL			Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
				1	2	3	4	5
NAAMOU NA			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).



# Greenwood Park Play Area

Inspection Ref: 2692096 Site Ref: 5631

Inspected: 24-April-2025 - 13:26 by James Law (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: 8 Low 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.





Site General Item: Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

The safety surface is low and the membrane is exposed creating trip points - Remove or resecure the exposed membrane and top up the surface to the correct level

## 1 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Sign

Not Identified Manufacturer: **Surface Type:** Grass

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





**Kissing Gate** Item: Not Identified Manufacturer: Surface Type: Paving Slabs

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove Unauthorised general waste has been left on site - Arrange

trip hazard

Finding 2

removal of waste from site



#### 8 - Low Risk

Gate - Maintenance Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified **Surface Type:** Concrete

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

**Total Findings:** 3



#### Finding 1

trip hazard

#### Finding 2

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove The gate is closing too slowly (in excess of 8 seconds) -Take effective action to ensure the gate closes between 4 and 8 seconds from 90 degrees

#### Finding 3

The gate latch is damaged or missing - Repair or replace





Item: Fence - Steel Mesh
Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

There are a number of loose posts around the fence - Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required

#### Finding 2

There is some damage to the fence sections - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item:BenchManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface Type:GrassItem Quantity:7Equipment Compliance:N/ASurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

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





#### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item:Picnic TableManufacturer:Not Identified

Surface Type:GrassItem Quantity:4Equipment Compliance:N/ASurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



### 8 - Low Risk

Item:Litter BinManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface Type:Concrete

Item Quantity:5Equipment Compliance:N/ASurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations





Item:Sun CanopyManufacturer:Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

Canopy has been removed. Posts remain - Consider replacing canopy



#### 👸 8 - Low Risk

Item: 5 a side Goals

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass

Item Quantity: 1

Equipment Compliance: N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

The area around the item has eroded and may become

slippery - Reinstate eroded area

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 3

NB: We have undertaken a maintenance inspection only of the football goal(s); full load testing falls outside the scope of our inspection. - Implement load testing as required





Item: Supernova Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

**Surface Type:** Wet Pour

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

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

**Total Findings:** 1

#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -





#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Multi Play (Toddler)

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

**Surface Type:** Wet Pour

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

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

**Total Findings:** 

#### Finding 1

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - deterioration and replace as required Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 5

Sand has migrated on to the safety surface and can be slippery in wet conditions - Clear and maintain



#### Finding 2

The tunnel has been damaged - Monitor for any further

### Finding 4

The paint has worn off the metalwork - Rub down and repaint





Item: Climbing Blocks

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

**Surface Type:** Wet Pour

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: No

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

**Total Findings:** 1



The item has been damaged / vandalised - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required





#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: **Embankment Slide** 

R&T Stainless A/S Manufacturer:

**Surface Type:** Mixed Surface

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

**Total Findings:** 

#### Finding 1

The edges of the grass mat surface are raised / lifting above There are a number of dents in the slide surface - Monitor the surrounding surface - Tuck in or pin edges of grass mats as per the API Code of Practice to remove trip

hazards

#### Finding 3

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



#### Finding 2

for any further deterioration and repair as required





Item: Cable Runway Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd **Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 9



#### Finding 1

The edges of the grass mat surface are raised / lifting above There is moderate damage to the surface - Repair the the surrounding surface - Tuck in or pin edges of grass mats as per the API Code of Practice to remove trip hazards

### Finding 3

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required

#### Finding 5

We have completed a visual inspection of the suspension not possible to fully inspect these areas without either hiring connection for wear equipment to gain access or removing the cable and suspension and inspecting at ground level. We recommend that the main cable and fixing security is thoroughly inspected at least in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations to check for wear, damage, security or internal rusting; this will help to ensure the continued safe use of the equipment - Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

#### Findina 7

The nylon inserts are worn or missing at the point the cable enters the traveller - Replace worn or missing inserts as required

#### Finding 9

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

#### Finding 2

damaged areas of surfacing

#### Finding 4

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

#### Finding 6

The seat connection cannot be inspected without links, cable and fixing points from ground level, however it is dismantling the seat - Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat

#### Finding 8

A secondary safety has been added and the chain links are worn excessively and require renewing. - Replace worn chains





Item: Leap Frog Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: 5 -10 Years

**Total Findings:** 1

#### Finding 1

There is moderate damage to the grass matrix tile surface - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing





#### 8 - Low Risk

**Activity Trail** Item: Manufacturer: Corocord

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

**Total Findings:** 4



#### Finding 1

#### The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -

Reinstate as required

#### Finding 2

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

#### Finding 3

### the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 4

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the rope connection and The climbing wall has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required





Item: 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)

Manufacturer: **GL Jones** 

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: 5 -10 Years

**Total Findings:** 4



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

# Finding 3

deterioration and replace when 40% worn



#### Finding 2

The chain openings are in excess of 8.6mm and do not meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 4

There is some wear to the shackles - Monitor for any further The surface has subsided in some areas - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required





Item: 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive Seat Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: 5 -10 Years

**Total Findings:** 9



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

#### Finding 3

deterioration and replace when 40% worn

#### Finding 5

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

#### Finding 7

The swing seat connectors have some wear present -Monitor for further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

#### Finding 9

The swing seat connectors are loose - Tighten to secure



#### Finding 2

The chain openings are in excess of 8.6mm and do not meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 4

There is some wear to the shackles - Monitor for any further The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations. -Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

#### Finding 6

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

#### Finding 8

BS EN 1176 Part 2: Annex A makes a recommendation that fences or enclosures should be upto 1.50m from the edges of the swing seat to the sides, and subject to risk assessment, from the edge of the impact area. This is however, a low risk finding and no remedial action is recommended. - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





Item:Low RotatorManufacturer:Kompan Ltd

Surface Type:SandItem Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:YesSurface Area Compliance:Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



#### 6 - Low Risk

Item:Spinner BowlManufacturer:Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

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

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 1

### Finding 1







Space Net Item: Manufacturer: Corocord **Surface Type:** Sand **Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance:** Nο Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 5



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 3

The side of the slide is damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 5

The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required

#### Finding 2

The height of the slide runout is in excess of 350mm and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176: Part 3 -Top up surrounding surfaces to recommended levels

#### Finding 4

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the rope connection and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Somersault Bars Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Sand **Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Nο Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 2



#### Finding 1

There is/are finger entrapment/s / crush in the Somersault bars fixing and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding -EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No Treat affected areas and repaint remedial work recommended

#### Finding 2

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn





Spinning Pole Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Sand

**Surface Type: Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Spring Horse Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Sand **Surface Type:** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item:PlayhouseManufacturer:Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: Sand Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

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



### 6 - Low Risk

Item:Spinner BowlManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:SandItem Quantity:1Equipment Compliance:YesSurface Area Compliance:Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1





Sand Play Unit Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

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

Total Findings: 3



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 3

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

#### Finding 2

There are projecting bolt thread(s) present - Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap

#### 6 - Low Risk

Item: Multi Play (Toddler)

Kompan Ltd Manufacturer:

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item:Play PanelManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 4



#### Finding 1

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - 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 / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 2

The play component has been damaged - Repair damaged item

#### Finding 4

There is a potential crush point between the play panel door in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - 4.2.7.6 - gaps whose dimensions change during use of the equipment shall have a minimum dimension in any position of 12mm - Monitor - No remedial work recommended



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item:See SawManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. - Reinstate as required

#### Finding 2

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





Item:Rope PullManufacturer:Corocord

Surface Type: Bonded Rubber Mulch

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Embankment Slide

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Mixed Surface

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

Total Findings: 5



#### Finding 1

The grass has eroded within the impact area of the equipment and may not provide the necessary impact attenuating properties for the equipment fall height; the surface may also be slippery in wet weather - Reinstate the grass or provide an all weather surface

#### Finding 2

The slide surface has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

#### Finding 3

The climbing wall has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

#### Finding 4

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

#### Finding 5

There is weed / vegetation growth within the surface - Remove weed / vegetation growth



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#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Steps

Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

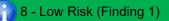
The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

#### 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



# **Findings information**



Item: Ancillary Items - Site General

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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



**Finding:** The safety surface is low and the membrane is exposed creating trip points



**Action:** Remove or resecure the exposed membrane and top up the surface to the correct level





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

L - Low Risk Gates - Kissing Gate Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Paving Slabs





Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard



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

Gates - Kissing Gate Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Paving Slabs





Finding: Unauthorised general waste has been left on site

Action: Arrange removal of waste from site





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

Item:Gates - Gate - MaintenanceRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete





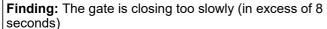
Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard



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

Item:Gates - Gate - MaintenanceRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete







**Action:** Take effective action to ensure the gate closes between 4 and 8 seconds from 90 degrees





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

Item:Gates - Gate - MaintenanceRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete





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

Item:Fences - Fence - Steel MeshRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass





**Finding:** There are a number of loose posts around the fence

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





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

Item:Fences - Fence - Steel MeshRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass



**Finding:** There is some damage to the fence sections



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

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

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



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



Action: Reinstate eroded area





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

Item:Ancillary Items - Litter BinRisk Level:Manufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:



**Finding:** The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed

L - Low Risk

Concrete

**Action:** Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

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

Item:Ancillary Items - Sun CanopyRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass







Action: Consider replacing canopy





Item:Multi Use Games Area - 5 a side GoalsRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass





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

Action: Reinstate eroded area







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







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





#### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 3)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - 5 a side Goals

Manufacturer: Not Identified



**Finding:** NB: We have undertaken a maintenance inspection only of the football goal(s); full load testing falls outside the scope of our inspection.

Risk Level: Surface:

N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Grass



Action: Implement load testing as required

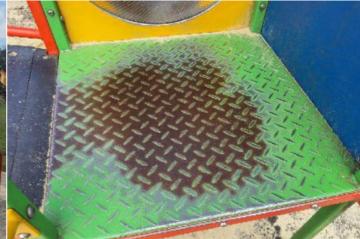
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### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Wet Pour



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



Action: Treat affected areas and repaint





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:Manufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:



Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Wet Pour





Finding: The tunnel has been damaged

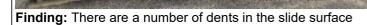
**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required





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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Wet Pour





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





Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Wet Pour







Finding: The paint has worn off the metalwork

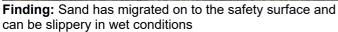




### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Wet Pour







**Action:** Clear and maintain

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Climbing BlocksRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour



Finding: The item has been damaged / vandalised



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





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Other - Embankment SlideRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:R&T Stainless A/SSurface:Mixed Surface



**Finding:** The edges of the grass mat surface are raised / lifting above the surrounding surface



**Action:** Tuck in or pin edges of grass mats as per the API Code of Practice to remove trip hazards



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

Item:Other - Embankment SlideRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:R&T Stainless A/SSurface:Mixed Surface



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



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





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

Item:Other - Embankment SlideRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:R&T Stainless A/SSurface:Mixed Surface



Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles

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

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

Item: Other - Cable Runway

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd



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



**Finding:** The edges of the grass mat surface are raised / lifting above the surrounding surface

**Action:** Tuck in or pin edges of grass mats as per the API Code of Practice to remove trip hazards





Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is moderate damage to the surface

Action: Repair the damaged areas of surfacing

## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





**Finding:** There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

Action: Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface





#### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 5)

Other - Cable Runway

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Risk Level: Surface:

N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: We have completed a visual inspection of the suspension links, cable and fixing points from ground level, recommendations however it is not possible to fully inspect these areas without either hiring equipment to gain access or removing the cable and suspension and inspecting at ground level. We recommend that the main cable and fixing security is thoroughly inspected at least in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations to check for wear, damage, security or internal rusting; this will help to ensure the continued safe use of the equipment

Action: Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers





#### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 6)

Other - Cable Runway

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Risk Level: Surface:

N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

**Grass Matrix Tiles** 



**Finding:** The seat connection cannot be inspected without dismantling the seat



Action: Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat connection for wear

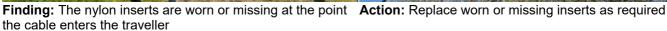
#### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Other - Cable Runway

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

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











### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** A secondary safety has been added and the chain **Action:** Replace worn chains links are worn excessively and require renewing.

### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: There is some wear to the shackles

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





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - Leap FrogRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is moderate damage to the grass matrix tile **Action:** Repair the damaged areas of surfacing surface

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:CorocordSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





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

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:CorocordSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Activity TrailRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:CorocordSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s in the rope connection and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers

Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





Item: Activity Equipment - Activity Trail

Manufacturer: Corocord

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







Finding: The climbing wall has been damaged

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





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)

Manufacturer: GL Jones

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



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear



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

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

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)

Manufacturer: GL Jones

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



**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 action given the risk assessment





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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





**Finding:** There is some wear to the shackles

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

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

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





Finding: The surface has subsided in some areas

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





Item:Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive SeatRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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





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

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive Seat

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

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







**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 action given the risk assessment





Item:Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive SeatRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: There is some wear to the shackles

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





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive SeatRisk Level:N - Risk Assessment not UndertakenManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be recommendations fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.

**Action:** Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive Seat Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:





Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

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

Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive Seat Item: Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd





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

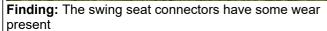
Finding: There is some wear to the shackles





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive Seat I Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd



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



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

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

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive Seat

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd



Finding: BS EN 1176 Part 2: Annex A makes a recommendation that fences or enclosures should be upto 1.50m from the edges of the swing seat to the sides, and subject to risk assessment, from the edge of the impact area. This is however, a low risk finding and no remedial action is recommended.

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



Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

Item:Swings - 2 Bay 3 Flat 1 Inclusive SeatRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The swing seat connectors are loose

**Action:** Tighten to secure

Sand

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

Item: Activity Equipment - Space Net Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk

Manufacturer: Corocord Surface:



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



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





 Item:
 Activity Equipment - Space Net
 Risk Level:
 L - Low Risk

 Manufacturer:
 Corocord
 Surface:
 Sand







**Finding:** The height of the slide runout is in excess of 350mm and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176: levels Part 3





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Space NetRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:CorocordSurface:Sand



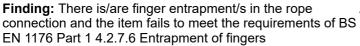


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#### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Activity Equipment - Space NetRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:CorocordSurface:Sand







Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Activity Equipment - Space NetRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:CorocordSurface:Sand



Finding: The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places



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

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Somersault BarsRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Sand



**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s / crush in the Somersault bars fixing and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers



Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Activity Equipment - Somersault Bars Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface: Sand



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding



### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Playhouse Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface: Sand

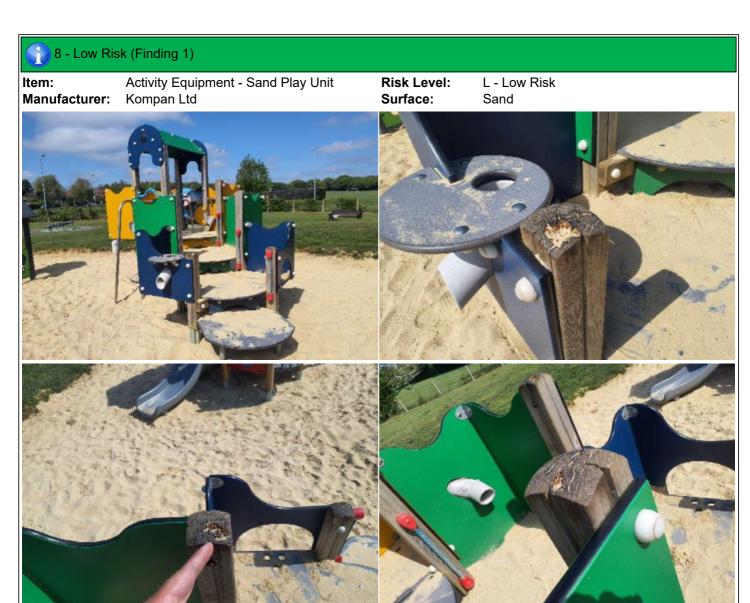




Finding: The item has missing component(s)

**Action:** Consider replacing missing components





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

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Sand Play UnitRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Sand



Finding: There are projecting bolt thread(s) present



**Action:** Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Sand Play UnitRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Sand



**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item



Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Play Panel

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

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



Finding: The item is slightly loose in its foundations



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

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

Item: Activity Equipment - Play Panel

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd





Finding: The play component has been damaged



Action: Repair damaged item





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Activity Equipment - Play Panel Item:

Kompan Ltd Manufacturer:



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



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Play Panel

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd



**Finding:** There is a potential crush point between the play panel door in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - 4.2.7.6 gaps whose dimensions change during use of the equipment shall have a minimum dimension in any position of 12mm

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



Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended





Item:Rocking Equipment - See SawRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.

### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Rocking Equipment - See SawRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles













Other - Embankment Slide Item:

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

L - Low Risk Risk Level: Surface: Mixed Surface



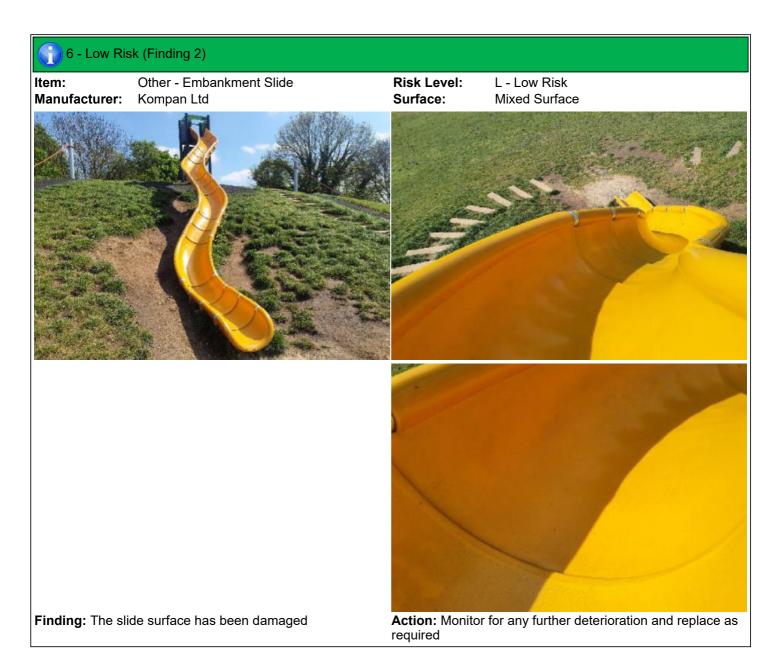




**Finding:** The grass has eroded within the impact area of the equipment and may not provide the necessary impact

Action: Reinstate the grass or provide an all weather surface attenuating properties for the equipment fall height; the surface may also be slippery in wet weather









### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Other - Embankment SlideRiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface



Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: The climbing wall has been damaged

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

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

Item: Other - Embankment Slide

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd



Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the item

Action: Replace all missing fixings





Item:Other - Embankment SlideRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Mixed Surface



**Finding:** There is weed / vegetation growth within the surface



Action: Remove weed / vegetation growth

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

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



**Finding:** The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed



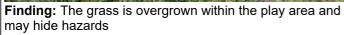
**Action:** Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations





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







**Action:** Reduce the length of grass to an acceptable height and maintain



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# **Annual Inspection**

St Albans City and District Council

Mayflower Road

Mayflower Road, AL2 2QN















### Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

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

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except 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, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes 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, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

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 these 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 (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include 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 reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts 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. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

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 the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); 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 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. 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 always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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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/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>~</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>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	<b>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>✓</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>>						
Likelihood	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)	
	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	
	THE PLAN			1	2	3	4	5	
	NA 9 th Co. The ECLION			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	
Se						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).



# Mayflower Road

Inspection Ref: 2692095 Site Ref: 5632

Inspected: 24-April-2025 - 12:32 by James Law (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: 9 Low 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: Sign

Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard





Gate - Self Closing Item: Manufacturer: Easy Gate Ltd

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1

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



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Gate - Maintenance Not Identified Manufacturer:

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

5 **Total Findings:** 



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 3

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - further deterioration and replace as required Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 5

The gate has no drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts fitted -Provide drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts

#### Finding 2

There are openings that are less than 12mm that could trap or crush fingers - Provide a 12mm gap throughout full range of motion at both sides of gate

#### Finding 4

The mesh fence has been damaged - Monitor for any





Fence - Chainlink Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required Treat affected areas and repaint

Finding 2

There are a number of loose posts around the fence -



#### 6 - Low Risk

Fence - Steel Mesh Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified **Surface Type:** Grass **Item Quantity:** N/A

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

**Total Findings:** 1



### Finding 1

The adjacent foliage is overhanging the fencing - Cut back and maintain





Item: Bench

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass **Item Quantity:** 2 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 3



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 3

The area around the item has eroded and may become

#### Finding 2

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

slippery - Reinstate eroded area



#### 8 - Low Risk

Litter Bin Item: Not Identified Manufacturer:

Surface Type: Grass **Item Quantity:** 2 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

1 **Total Findings:** 



#### 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





Litter Bin Item: Manufacturer: Broxap Surface Type: Paving Slabs

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

Total Findings: 1



#### 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



#### 9 - Low Risk

Item: Net Climber

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Surface Type: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: 5 -10 Years

**Total Findings:** 2



#### Finding 1

### Finding 2

The rope has worn and wire strands are exposed - Replace

rope or net

The shackles are worn in excess of 40% and require

renewing - Replace worn shackles





Item: Roundabout

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: 3 - 5 Years

**Total Findings:** 8



The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re-

paint

#### Finding 3

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

### Finding 5

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the framework / seat and The bearing is showing signs of wear - Monitor for any the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

### Finding 7

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required

Finding 2

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

#### Finding 4

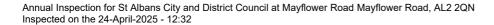
The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 for head and neck entrapment in the framework -Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 6

further deterioration and replace as required

#### Finding 8

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface







Item: Multi Play (Junior)

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** No Surface Area Compliance: Yes





There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

Finding 3

The slide surface has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

Finding 5

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

Finding 2

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required

Finding 4

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

Finding 6

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the framework and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment







Item: Free Standing Slide

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 5



The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -

Reinstate as required

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 5

The side of the slide is damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



#### Finding 2

Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas of the grass mats - Remove pins from impact areas

#### Finding 4

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint





Item: 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)

Manufacturer: Record RSS

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

**Total Findings:** 6



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

Finding 3

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required

Finding 5

Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas of the grass mats - Remove pins from impact areas

Finding 2

The chain openings are in excess of 8.6mm and do not meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

Finding 4

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

Finding 6

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

#### 8 - Low Risk

Overhead Rotator Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd **Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 4



#### Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required

Finding 3 Finding 4

The seat connection cannot be inspected without dismantling the seat - Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat deterioration and replace as required connection for wear

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

Finding 2

The seat has been damaged - Monitor for any further





Three Way Springer Item:

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

Finding 2 A number of fixing(s) have worked loose - Secure all loose

fixings

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

### 8 - Low Risk

Inclusive Roundabout Item:

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Wet Pour **Surface Type:** 

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

**Total Findings:** 2



Finding 1

Finding 2

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



# **Findings information**





Item:Gates - Gate - Self ClosingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Easy Gate LtdSurface:Grass

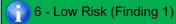


**Finding:** The area around the item has eroded and may become slippery



Action: Reinstate eroded area





Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Grass





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

**Item:** Gates - Gate - Maintenance

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Grass



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



**Action:** Provide a 12mm gap throughout full range of motion at both sides of gate





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Gates - Gate - Maintenance Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Not Identified Surface: Manufacturer: Grass





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

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

Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass





Finding: The mesh fence has been damaged

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Gates - Gate - Maintenance Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Not Identified Surface: Manufacturer: Grass





Finding: The gate has no drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts fitted

Action: Provide drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts

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

Item: Fences - Fence - Chainlink Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Fences - Fence - ChainlinkRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass



**Finding:** There are a number of loose posts around the fence

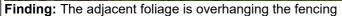


**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required

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

Item:Fences - Fence - Steel MeshRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass







Action: Cut back and maintain





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

Action: Replace all affected timbers







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



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

Action: Reinstate eroded area



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

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





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Ancillary Items - Litter BinRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:BroxapSurface:Paving Slabs



**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



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

Item:Activity Equipment - Net ClimberRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







Action: Replace rope or net





Activity Equipment - Net Climber Item: Manufacturer:

Wicksteed Playgrounds

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







**Finding:** The shackles are worn in excess of 40% and require renewing

Action: Replace worn shackles













Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers









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

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s in the framework / **Action:** Monitor - No action given the risk assessment seat and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers

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

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The bearing is showing signs of wear



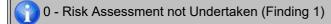
**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required











tem: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The slide surface has been damaged

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

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

Action: Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface





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

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





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

Action: Secure all loose fixings

guardrail



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

V - Very Low Risk Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: Grass Matrix Tiles Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface:



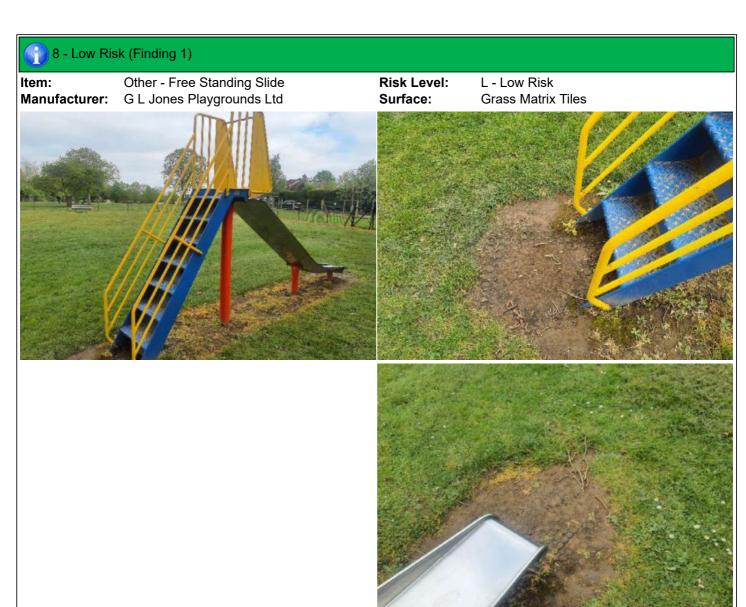


and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176

Finding: There is/are finger entrapment/s in the framework Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers





Annual Inspection for St Albans City and District Council at Mayflower Road Mayflower Road, AL2 2QN Inspected on the 24-April-2025 - 12:32

**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





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

Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas **Action:** Remove pins from impact areas of the grass mats

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## 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Free Standing Slide

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd



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

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



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





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

Other - Free Standing Slide Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint

worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting /

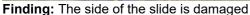


corroding

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

Item: Other - Free Standing Slide Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 







Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required





Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Record RSSSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Record RSSSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**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 action given the risk assessment

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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Record RSSSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Record RSSSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

**Action:** Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Record RSSSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas **Action:** Remove pins from impact areas of the grass mats





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Record RSSSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some wear to the shackles



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

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

Item:Rotor Play - Overhead RotatorRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





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

Item:Rotor Play - Overhead RotatorRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

**Action:** Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface



## 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 3)

Item: Rotor Play - Overhead Rotator

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd







**Finding:** The seat connection cannot be inspected without dismantling the seat

**Action:** Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat connection for wear





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

Item: Rotor Play - Overhead Rotator

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

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





Finding: The seat has been damaged

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



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

Item:Rocking Equipment - Three Way SpringerRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





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

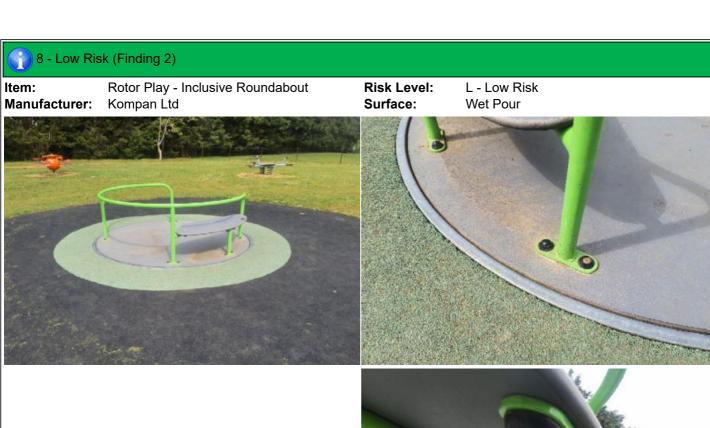
Action: Secure all loose fixings











**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item



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# **Annual Inspection**

St Albans City and District Council

North Close Play Area

St Albans, AL2 3HB











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# Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

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

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except 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, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes 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, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

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 these 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 (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include 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 reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts 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. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

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 the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); 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 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. 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 always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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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/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>~</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>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	<b>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>✓</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>>						
Likelihood	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)	
	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	
	THE PLAN			1	2	3	4	5	
	NA 9 th Co. The ECLION			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	
Se						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).



# North Close Play Area

Inspection Ref: 2697853 Site Ref: 17781

Inspected: 1-May-2025 - 14:06 by David Fagan (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: 9 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.





#### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Sign

Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item:Gate - Self ClosingManufacturer:Easy Gate LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

There are trip hazards caused by the grass matrix tiles at the edges of the surface - Adjust grass matrix tile and reinstate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points





Item:Gate - MaintenanceManufacturer:Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 5



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 3

The drop bolt sleeves are damaged - Repair or replace

#### Finding 2

The gate mesh has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

#### Finding 4

There are openings that are less than 12mm that could trap or crush fingers - Provide a 12mm gap throughout full range of motion at both sides of gate

#### Finding 5

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

#### 👸 8 - Low Risk

Item: Fence - Steel Mesh
Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 4



#### Finding 1

There is a damaged sign on the fence - Remove

#### Finding 3

There is some damage to the fence sections - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 2

Cable ties are present and there are sharp projecting ends - Replace with a more appropriate fixing method

#### Finding 4

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint





Item: Bench

Not Identified Manufacturer: Surface Type: Concrete

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

Total Findings: 3



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 2

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard

#### 6 - Low Risk

Litter Bin Item: Not Identified Manufacturer:

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

2 **Total Findings:** 



#### Finding 1

The item has been damaged - Monitor for any further

deterioration and replace as required

#### Finding 2

The lid or door of the litter bin is not secured - Ensure the lid or door is kept locked





Item: Bench

Not Identified Manufacturer:

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that

have rotted - Replace all affected timbers

Finding 2 There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately



#### 9 - Low Risk

Item: **Net Climber** 

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Surface Type: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance:** Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

**Total Findings:** 2



#### Finding 1

The rope has worn and wire strands are exposed - Replace

rope or net

#### Finding 2

The chain/rope covering is damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required





Item: Rocking Horse

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1

Equipment Compliance: No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

**Total Findings:** 5



The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re-

paint

### Finding 3

The item is noisy during operation - Service the item in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

### Finding 5

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



#### 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 action given the risk assessment

### Finding 4

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





Item: 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)

Manufacturer: Hags

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1

Equipment Compliance: No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 9



The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations. - Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

#### Finding 3

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

#### 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 - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 7

The seats are too close to each other as defined in BS EN 1176 Part 2; this is a low risk failure and no remedial action is required - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 9

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



#### Finding 2

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspection-services/safety-surface-testing/ ) - Contact our office for a quotation for this service

#### Finding 4

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

#### Finding 6

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

#### Finding 8

The seat/s is / are too close to the frame as defined in BS EN 1176 Part 2 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





Item:Spring BoardManufacturer:Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

Total Findings: 2

#### Finding 1

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



#### Finding 2

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Free Standing Slide

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

Total Findings: 4



#### Finding 1

Hard fixing pins have been installed in the grass mat tiles within the impact area of the equipment. Grass mat pins should only be installed at the perimeter of the tiles, and outside of any equipment impact areas. NOTE - where grass mat wear pads have been provided and the impact area includes surrounding surfaces, the grass mats should be tucked into the turf, and not pinned - Remove pins from impact areas

#### Finding 2

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. - Reinstate as required

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 4

The slide is predominately south facing and will catch the majority of the sun's heat during the day. Slide surfaces can become very warm during periods of sustained sunny weather - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





Item: See Saw

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

**Total Findings:** 5

#### Finding 1

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving parts 1 4.2.7.2 for head and neck entrapment in the handles -Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 3

The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and repaint

#### Finding 5

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspection-services/safetysurface-testing/) - Contact our office for a quotation for this service



#### Finding 2

(possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176 Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 4

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





Item:Multi Play (Junior)Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 6



#### 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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspection-services/safety-surface-testing/ ) - Contact our office for a quotation for this service

#### Finding 2

The chain openings are in excess of 8.6mm and do not meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 3

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 4

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

#### Finding 5

There are splits running through the timber that cross There is through or near fixing points and may cause instability in the maintain future - Monitor stability of fixings

#### Finding 6

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





Item: Roundabout

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

**Total Findings:** 4



There is moderate damage to the surface - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing

#### Finding 3

may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspection-services/safetysurface-testing/) - Contact our office for a quotation for this service



#### Finding 2

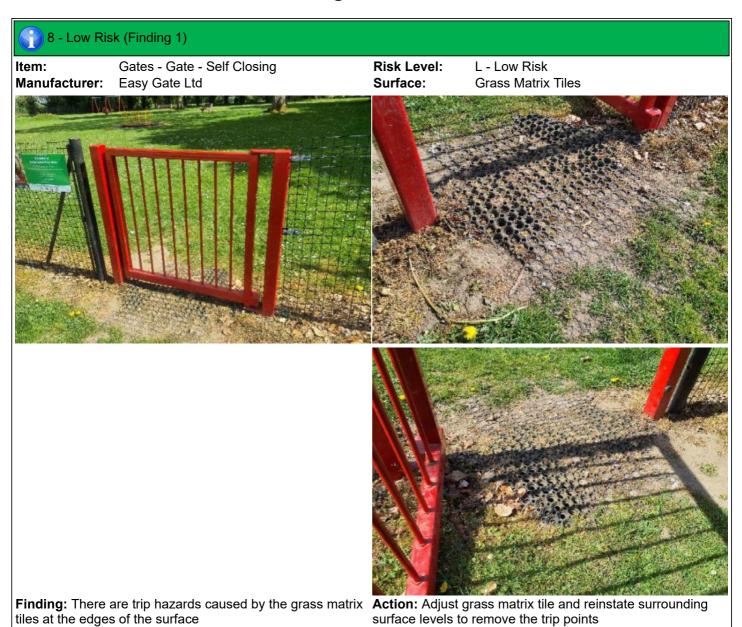
There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles -Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

#### Finding 4

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this The distance between the underside of the roundabout platform and the playing surface is less than 60mm and contravenes the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 5 which requires that the distance be maintained between 60mm-110mm for the entire circumference of the roundabout -Monitor - No action given the risk assessment



# **Findings information**







### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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





Finding: There is no padlock on the maintenance gate

Action: Provide a padlock to secure the gate



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

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





Finding: The gate mesh has been damaged

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





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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





Finding: The drop bolt sleeves are damaged

**Action:** Repair or replace

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

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





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

**Action:** Provide a 12mm gap throughout full range of motion at both sides of gate





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

L - Low Risk Gates - Gate - Maintenance Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

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

Item: Fences - Fence - Steel Mesh Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass





Finding: There is a damaged sign on the fence

Action: Remove





Item:Fences - Fence - Steel MeshRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass





**Finding:** Cable ties are present and there are sharp projecting ends

Action: Replace with a more appropriate fixing method





Item: Fences - Fence - Steel Mesh

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Grass







**Finding:** There is some damage to the fence sections

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





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Fences - Fence - Steel Mesh Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Not Identified Surface: Manufacturer: Grass



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

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

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench Risk Level: L - Low Risk Not Identified Manufacturer: Surface: Concrete





Finding: There is some minor damage to the surface

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete





Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard

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

Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete





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

Action: Reinstate eroded area



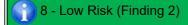












Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:N/A





**Finding:** There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface **Action:** Clean and treat appropriately resulting in slippery conditions

### 9 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - Net ClimberRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The rope has worn and wire strands are exposed Action: Replace rope or net





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Net Climber

**Manufacturer:** Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: The chain/rope covering is damaged



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

L - Low Risk

**Grass Matrix Tiles** 



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

Item:Rocking Equipment - Rocking HorseRisk Level:Manufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:



Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork



Action: Rub down and re-paint





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

Rocking Equipment - Rocking Horse

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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







**Finding:** There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving **Action:** Monitor - No action given the risk assessment parts (possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176 Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts

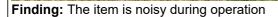




#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Rocking Equipment - Rocking Horse

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds



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



**Action:** Service the item in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

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

Item:Rocking Equipment - Rocking HorseRiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurf



Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

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



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





Item: Rocking Equipment - Rocking Horse

**Manufacturer:** Wicksteed Playgrounds

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







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

Action: Replace all affected timbers





#### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle) Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Manufacturer: Hags Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be recommendations fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.

**Action:** Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface: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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties (https://playinspections.co.uk/inspectionservices/safety-surface-testing/)

Action: Contact our office for a quotation for this service



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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: There is some minor damage to the surface

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





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

Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Hags Surface:





Finding: There is some wear to the shackles

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

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

V - Very Low Risk Item: Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle) Risk Level: Grass Matrix Tiles Manufacturer: Surface: Hags





Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

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





Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

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





#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The seats are too close to each other as defined in **Action:** Monitor - No action given the risk assessment BS EN 1176 Part 2; this is a low risk failure and no remedial action is required

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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The seat/s is / are too close to the frame as defined in BS EN 1176 Part 2

Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay (2 Flat, 2 Cradle)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





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

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

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring BoardRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**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





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

V - Very Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles Rocking Equipment - Spring Board Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface:





Finding: There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers on the item





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

Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** Hard fixing pins have been installed in the grass mat tiles within the impact area of the equipment. Grass mat pins should only be installed at the perimeter of the tiles, and outside of any equipment impact areas. NOTE - where grass mat wear pads have been provided and the impact area includes surrounding surfaces, the grass mats should be tucked into the turf, and not pinned

Action: Remove pins from impact areas





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

Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





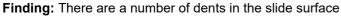
**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.

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

Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







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





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

Other - Free Standing Slide Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd Manufacturer: Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: The slide is predominately south facing and will catch the majority of the sun's heat during the day. Slide surfaces can become very warm during periods of sustained sunny weather

Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

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

V - Very Low Risk Item: Rocking Equipment - See Saw Risk Level: Wicksteed Playgrounds Grass Matrix Tiles Surface:





Finding: The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 for head and neck entrapment in the handles





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

V - Very Low Risk Rocking Equipment - See Saw Risk Level: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:





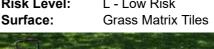
Finding: There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment parts (possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176

Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts

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

Rocking Equipment - See Saw Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:







Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint





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

Item:Rocking Equipment - See SawRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear



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



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

Item: Rocking Equipment - See Saw

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds



**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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspectionservices/safety-surface-testing/)

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



Action: Contact our office for a quotation for this service





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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface: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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties (https://playinspections.co.uk/inspectionservices/safety-surface-testing/)

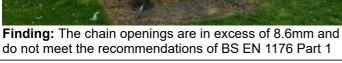
Action: Contact our office for a quotation for this service

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The item is slightly loose in its foundations

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

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





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

**Action:** Secure all loose fixings





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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are splits running through the timber that cross through or near fixing points and may cause instability in the future

Action: Monitor stability of fixings

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

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is some tree debris on the surfacing

Action: Remove and maintain





Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is moderate damage to the surface

Action: Repair the damaged areas of surfacing

### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

**Action:** Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Wicksteed PlaygroundsSurface: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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspectionservices/safety-surface-testing/ )

**Action:** Contact our office for a quotation for this service





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

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



**Finding:** The distance between the underside of the roundabout platform and the playing surface is less than 60mm and contravenes the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 5 which requires that the distance be maintained between 60mm-110mm for the entire circumference of the roundabout



Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment



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# **Annual Inspection**

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## Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

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

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except 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, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes 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, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

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 these 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 (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include 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 reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts 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. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

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 the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); 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 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. 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 always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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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/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>~</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>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	<b>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>✓</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>>						
Likelihood	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)	
	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	
	THE PLAN			1	2	3	4	5	
	NA 9 th Co. The ECLION			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	
Se						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).



## Park Street Play Area

Inspection Ref: 2692094 Site Ref: 2273

Inspected: 24-April-2025 - 10:36 by James Law (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.





Site General Item: Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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

Total Findings: 3



#### Finding 1

There are a number of molehills within the area and these may present unforeseen hazards for users - Remove moles Remove weed / vegetation growth by appropriate means, reinstate surfaces to level and maintain the area

#### Finding 3

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove

## Finding 2

There is weed / vegetation growth within the surface -

trip hazard



## 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Sign

Not Identified Manufacturer: **Surface Type:** Grass **Item Quantity:** 

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -





Gate - Self Closing Item: Not Identified Manufacturer:

**Surface Type:** Grass **Item Quantity:** 2 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 2



#### Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove The bitumen surface is worn or damaged - Repair the

trip hazard

#### Finding 2

bitumen to provide a uniform surface



#### 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Gate - Maintenance Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

**Total Findings:** 4



#### Finding 1

The maintenance gate was correctly padlocked at the time of inspection, however this means that the inspector was unable to fully assess the gate - Ensure that there are 12mm gaps throughout the full range of motion on gate/s and between leaves where relevant

#### Finding 2

There are projecting bolt thread(s) present - Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap

#### Finding 3

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding -Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 4

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





Fence - Steel Mesh Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

**Total Findings:** 5



#### Finding 1

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - and the metal has perforated in places - Ensure all affected Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 3

There are a number of loose posts around the fence -Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required

# Finding 5

There is some damage to the fence sections - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 2

Parts of the steel on this item have corroded excessively areas are treated and repaired

#### Finding 4

The fence panel has been cut to allow access to the litter bin from the outside of the play area. The cut sections have projections and sharp edges - Remove projections and sharp edges

#### 6 - Low Risk

Item: Fence Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

**Total Findings:** 1



### Finding 1

There are a number of loose posts around the fence - Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required





Item: Bench Manufacturer: Not Identified Paving Slabs **Surface Type:** 

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

**Total Findings:** 5



#### Finding 1

The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and repaint

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 5

There are projecting bolt thread(s) present - Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap

#### Finding 2

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding -Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 4

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard



#### 6 - Low Risk

Bench Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified

**Surface Type:** Grass **Item Quantity:** 2 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 4



#### Finding 1

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

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - further deterioration and repair as required Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 2

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

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - Monitor for any





Bench Item:

Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

## 1 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Litter Bin Not Identified Manufacturer: **Surface Type:** Concrete

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -





Skate Unit Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 3



#### Finding 1

Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas of the grass mats - Remove pins from impact areas

#### Finding 3

The surface has subsided in some areas - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 2

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required

### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Roundabout Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

**Total Findings:** 1

#### Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. -Reinstate as required







Item: 2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket Seat

Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 2



#### Finding 1

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

#### Finding 2

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



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Inclusive Roundabout

Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard



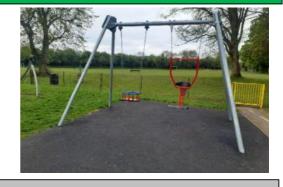


Item: 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



#### 9 - Low Risk

Item:Picnic TableManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 3



### Finding 1

The surface has subsided in some areas - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 2

There are significant gaps (over 30mm) between the surface and the edging or between the joints in the surface; these are large enough for a small foot to enter - Repair surfacing

### Finding 3

The surface is lifting at the edges and creating trip points - Repair perimeter of surfacing to remove trip points





Item:Pull Up StationManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 1



There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item - Consider treating the item





#### 6 - Low Risk

Item: Leg Press

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

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

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 2



The surface has subsided in some areas - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

Finding 2

The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and repaint







Item: Hip Twister

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness **Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: 3 - 5 Years

**Total Findings:** 3

#### Finding 1

The rotating user station is not appropriately marked with a guideline of user direction and/or the original position as required by BS EN 16630 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 3

There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item -Consider treating the item



#### Finding 2

The deflection of the rotating user station exceeds the maximum 105 degrees required by BS EN 16630 - Monitor -No action given the risk assessment



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Pull Down Challenger

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness **Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: 5 -10 Years

**Total Findings:** 3

#### Finding 1

The distance between the underside of the item and the ground is less than the 60mm required by BS EN 16630 -Monitor - No remedial work recommended

#### Finding 3

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



#### Finding 2

The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and repaint





Item: Chest Press

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 1



One or more handgrip(s) are damaged or missing. - Replace missing or damaged handgrips



#### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Shoulder Flex

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Life Expectancy**: 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 1

#### Finding 1







Item: Rider

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness **Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

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

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

**Total Findings:** 2

Finding 1

There is / are post or end caps missing / damaged on the

item - Replace missing / damaged post or end caps



#### Finding 2

The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re-

paint



#### 6 - Low Risk

Item: Air Skier

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness **Grass Matrix Tiles Surface Type:** 

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

Life Expectancy: 5 - 10 Years

2 **Total Findings:** 



#### Finding 1

Finding 2

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and reexposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - paint

Treat affected areas and repaint





Item: Rower

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

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

**Life Expectancy**: 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 4



The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re-

paint

# Finding 3

The seat has been damaged - Monitor for any further

deterioration and replace as required



#### Finding 2

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

#### Finding 4

One or more handgrips are loose - Secure all loose

handgrips



### 6 - Low Risk

Item: Dip Station

**Manufacturer:** Fresh Air Fitness

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1

Equipment Compliance: Yes

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Life Expectancy:** 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 1

#### Finding 1

There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item - Consider treating the item







## 🌇 4 - Very Low Risk

Play Panel Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 6 - Low Risk

Spinning Pole Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Wet Pour **Surface Type:** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item: Climbing Frame Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: **Bonded Rubber Mulch** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Bench Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Wet Pour **Surface Type:** 

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





#### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Spinner Bowl Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Mixed Surface

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Multi Play (Toddler) Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Mixed Surface **Surface Type:** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item: Boat

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: Bonded Rubber Mulch

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti



## 6 - Low Risk

Item: Three Way Springer

Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Mixed Surface

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1





## 🌇 4 - Very Low Risk

Spring Dolphin Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Mixed Surface

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Spring See-Saw Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Mixed Surface **Surface Type:** 

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item:Multi Play (Junior)Manufacturer:Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: Bonded Rubber Mulch

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti



#### 10 - Low Risk

Item:Embankment SlideManufacturer:Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 3



#### Finding 1

The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

#### Finding 3

The grass has eroded within the impact area of the equipment and may not provide the necessary impact attenuating properties for the equipment fall height; the surface may also be slippery in wet weather - Reinstate the grass or provide an all weather surface

#### Finding 2

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





Item: Tunnel Mound

Manufacturer: Playdale Playgrounds Ltd

Surface Type: Mixed Surface

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

Total Findings: 3



#### Finding 1

This design / configuration of tunnel mound is well established and has been successfully included in large quantities of playgrounds throughout the UK. Whilst the design does not fully meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 with regards to falls in excess of 600mm over the edge of the tunnel to the surface below, it has been risk assessed as fit for purpose in this regard and no changes are recommended to the design unless otherwise stated in additional findings - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### Finding 3

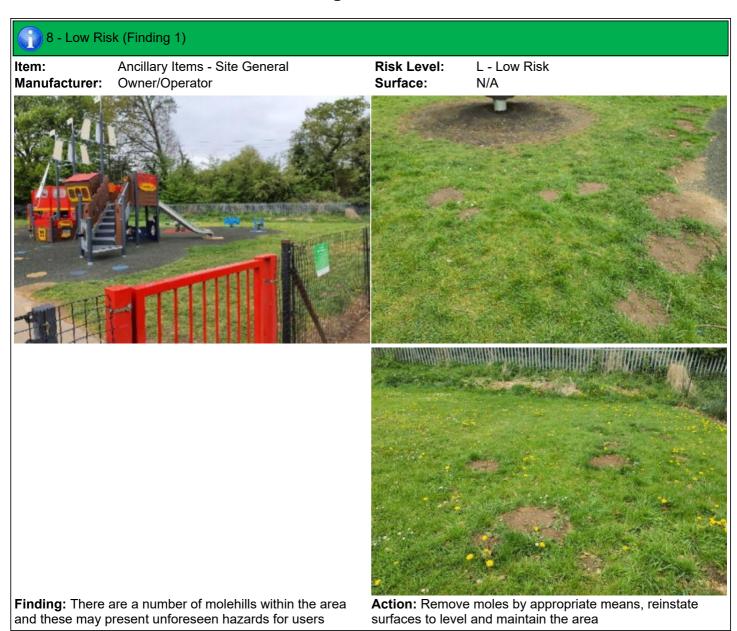
The area around the item has eroded and may become slippery - Reinstate eroded area

#### Finding 2

There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti



# **Findings information**







### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Ancillary Items - Site General L - Low Risk Risk Level: Item: Surface: N/A

Owner/Operator Manufacturer:



Finding: There is weed / vegetation growth within the surface

Action: Remove weed / vegetation growth

L - Low Risk

N/A

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

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General Risk Level: Owner/Operator Manufacturer: Surface:

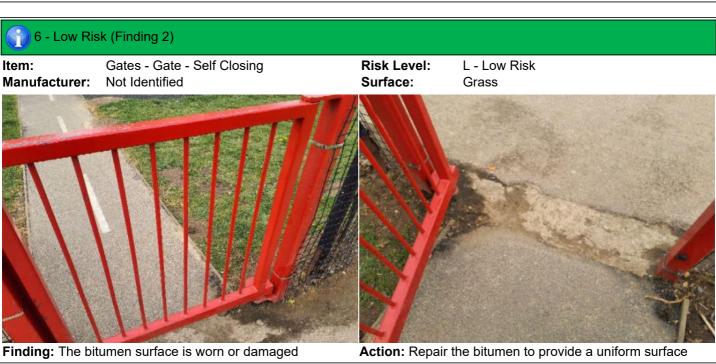




Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard











#### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

tem: Gates - Gate - Maintenance

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: Surface: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Grass





**Finding:** The maintenance gate was correctly padlocked at **Action:** Ensure that there are 12mm gaps throughout the the time of inspection, however this means that the inspector full range of motion on gate/s and between leaves where was unable to fully assess the gate relevant

# 1

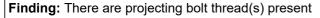
#### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Grass







**Action:** Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap





Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance 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 / corroding



# 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk









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

Action: Ensure all affected areas are treated and repaired





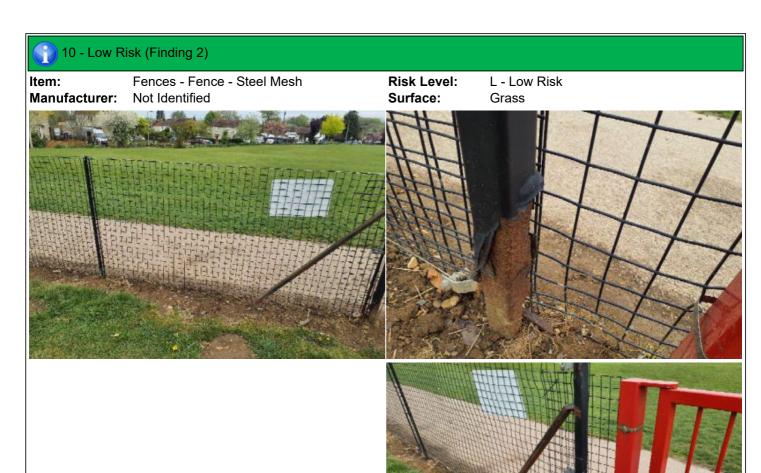
Fences - Fence - Steel Mesh Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass





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





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

Action: Ensure all affected areas are treated and repaired



fence





required





**Finding:** There is some damage to the fence sections

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

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Fences - FenceRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass



**Finding:** There are a number of loose posts around the fence



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





### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Ancillary Items - Bench L - Low Risk Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Paving Slabs



Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint



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

Ancillary Items - Bench Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Paving Slabs





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

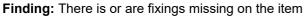




### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Paving Slabs







**Action:** Replace all missing fixings



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

Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Paving Slabs





Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard

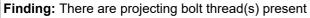




### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Paving Slabs







**Action:** Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap

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

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



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

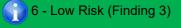


**Action:** Clean and treat appropriately



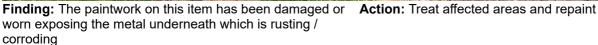


required



Item: Ancillary Items - Bench Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass

















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

Item:Activity Equipment - Skate UnitRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas **Action:** Remove pins from impact areas of the grass mats

## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Skate UnitRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





Item:Activity Equipment - Skate UnitRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The surface has subsided in some areas

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

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

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket SeatRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour





Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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

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

Item:Swings - 2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket SeatRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour





Finding: The bushes are showing signs of wear

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











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

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



**Finding:** There are significant gaps (over 30mm) between the surface and the edging or between the joints in the surface; these are large enough for a small foot to enter



Action: Repair surfacing



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

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





**Finding:** The surface is lifting at the edges and creating trip **Action:** Repair perimeter of surfacing to remove trip points points





### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Pull Up

Station

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is surface corrosion / rust present on the

item

**Action:** Consider treating the item

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

Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Leg PressRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The surface has subsided in some areas

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





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

Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Leg PressRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint



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

Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Hip TwisterRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The rotating user station is not appropriately marked with a guideline of user direction and/or the original position as required by BS EN 16630

Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Hip Twister Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: The deflection of the rotating user station exceeds Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment the maximum 105 degrees required by BS EN 16630

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Hip Twister Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item

Action: Consider treating the item





# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:

Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Pull Down
Challenger

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The distance between the underside of the item and the ground is less than the 60mm required by BS EN 16630

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:
Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Pull Down
Challenger
Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

**Action:** Rub down and re-paint





# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Pull Down<br/>ChallengerRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

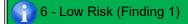
Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Chest PressRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: One or more handgrip(s) are damaged or missing. Action: Replace missing or damaged handgrips





Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - RiderRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is / are post or end caps missing / damaged **Action:** Replace missing / damaged post or end caps on the item

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - RiderRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint





# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Air Skier Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Air Skier Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint





Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Rower Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Rower Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding





Item: Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Rower

**Manufacturer:** Fresh Air Fitness

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



Finding: The seat has been damaged



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

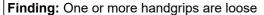
# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Rower

Manufacturer: Fresh Air Fitness

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







**Action:** Secure all loose handgrips





# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Dip StationRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Fresh Air FitnessSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





 $\mbox{\bf Finding:}$  There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item

**Action:** Consider treating the item

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - BoatRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Bonded Rubber Mulch





Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti







Other - Embankment Slide Risk Level: L - Low Risk Not Identified Surface: Grass



**Finding:** The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed



**Action:** Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations





# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Embankment Slide Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk

Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass



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

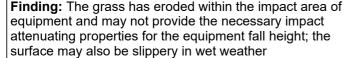


**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Other - Embankment SlideRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass







**Finding:** The grass has eroded within the impact area of the **Action:** Reinstate the grass or provide an all weather equipment and may not provide the necessary impact surface



# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

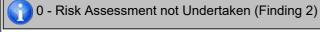
Other - Tunnel Mound Item: Manufacturer: Playdale Playgrounds Ltd Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Mixed Surface





Finding: This design / configuration of tunnel mound is well Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment established and has been successfully included in large quantities of playgrounds throughout the UK. Whilst the design does not fully meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 with regards to falls in excess of 600mm over the edge of the tunnel to the surface below, it has been risk assessed as fit for purpose in this regard and no changes are recommended to the design unless otherwise stated in additional findings





Item:Other - Tunnel MoundRisk Level:Manufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:





N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

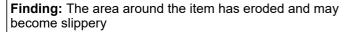
**Finding:** There is some graffiti present

**Action:** Remove the graffiti

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Other - Tunnel MoundRisk Level:Manufacturer:Playdale Playgrounds LtdSurface:







L - Low Risk

Mixed Surface

**Action:** Reinstate eroded area



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# Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

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

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except 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, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes 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, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

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 these 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 (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include 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 reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts 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. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

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 the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); 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 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. 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 always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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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/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>~</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>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	<b>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>✓</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>>						
Likelihood	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)	
	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	
	THE PLAN			1	2	3	4	5	
	NA 9 th Co. The ECLION			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	
Se						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).



# Woodberry Field

Inspection Ref: 2692093 Site Ref: 5636

Inspected: 24-April-2025 - 08:48 by James Law (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:

Generally accessible; an area accessible to most.





Item:Site GeneralManufacturer:Owner/Operator

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard



# 8 - Low Risk

Item:Gate - Self ClosingManufacturer:I.A.E. FencingSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard





# 5 - Very Low Risk

Item: Gate - Combination Manufacturer: I.A.E. Fencing Surface Type: Concrete

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

The gate is not operating correctly - Take effective action to ensure the gate closes between 4 and 8 seconds



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Fence - Bow Top Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

**Total Findings:** 1



# Finding 1





# 4 - Very 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

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 8 - Low Risk

Item:Litter BinManufacturer:BroxapSurface Type:GrassItem Quantity:3Equipment Compliance:N/ASurface Area Compliance:N/A

Total Findings: 1



# 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





Item:Litter BinManufacturer:BroxapSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



#### 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



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item:BenchManufacturer:Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1





# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Bench
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 8 - Low Risk

Item:Seating AreaManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

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





Item:Seating AreaManufacturer:Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

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



#### 8 - Low Risk

Item:Picnic TableManufacturer:Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations





Picnic Table Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

**Total Findings:** 4



#### Finding 1

for any further deterioration and repair as required

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 2

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

#### Finding 4

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





Item: Multi Play (Junior)

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Surface Type: Wet Pour

Item Quantity: 1

Equipment Compliance: No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

Total Findings: 5



There is/are finger entrapment/s due to missing end cap and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Replace missing end cap to remove entrapment

#### Finding 3

The unit is easily accessible and has an opening in the barrier to steep play elements in excess of 500mm in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

# Finding 5

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



#### Finding 2

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

#### Finding 4

The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required





Item: Free Standing Slide

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 3



#### Finding 1

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

### Finding 3

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the starting section of the slide and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

### Finding 2

There is/are finger entrapment/s due to missing fixings and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Replace missing fixings to remove entrapment

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#### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item:Table TennisManufacturer:Concrete Sports

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1





# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: **Ball Shoot** Manufacturer: Beckmann Surface Type: Bitmac **Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Timer Manufacturer: Not Identified **Surface Type:** Bitmac **Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A

Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 1



# Finding 1





Slanted Steps Item: Manufacturer: Proludic Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 2



# Finding 1

The item has exposed edges and corners that are sharp, or There is or are fixings missing on the item - Replace all with a radius of less than 3mm, and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - 4.2.5 - Provide a 3mm radius to all exposed edges and corners, or remove sharp edge

# Finding 2

missing fixings



#### 6 - Low Risk

Bridge Item: Manufacturer: Proludic **Surface Type:** Wet Pour

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item: Cable Runway - Hanging

Manufacturer: Proludic
Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 2



# Finding 1

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

# Finding 2

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



#### 6 - Low Risk

Item:Activity StationManufacturer:ProludicSurface Type:Wet PourItem Quantity:1

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1





Item:Monkey BarsManufacturer:ProludicSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 6 - Low Risk

Item: A Frame Climber

Manufacturer: Proludic
Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1





Climbing Wall Item: Manufacturer: Proludic Surface Type: Wet Pour

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

**Head Tennis Table** Item:

Manufacturer: Teqball Bitmac **Surface Type: Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 1



# Finding 1

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers





Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) Item:

Manufacturer: Proludic **Surface Type:** Bitmac

**Item Quantity:** 

**Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

**Total Findings:** 2



A clearly visible facility sign should be provided in a prominent position with the wording as detailed BS EN 15312- the equipment is not intended for children less than 3 years old- the warning - Do not climb on the framework or nets- the warning - Do not hang on the ring (if provided)- the warning - Do not wear rings or other jewellery- name and telephone number of the administrator- number to call in case of accident - Provide signage to BS EN 15312



#### Finding 2

There is / are post or end caps missing / damaged on the item - Replace missing / damaged post or end caps



# 😭 8 - Low Risk

2 Bay Swing Item: Kompan Ltd Manufacturer: Wet Pour Surface Type:

**Item Quantity:** 1 Yes **Equipment Compliance:** Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1





Item: Free Standing Slide

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 6 - Low Risk

Item:Spring See-SawManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1





Four Way Springer Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 4 - Very Low Risk

Spring Ladybird Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Wet Pour **Surface Type:** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Yes Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 1



# Finding 1





# 4 - Very Low Risk

Playhouse Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 8 - Low Risk

Item: 2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket Seat

Kompan Ltd Manufacturer: Wet Pour **Surface Type:** 

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

**Total Findings:** 2



# Finding 1

The secondary safety shackles are worn in excess of 40%

and require renewing - Replace worn shackles

# Finding 2

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





Climbing Frame Item: Kompan Ltd Manufacturer: Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

**Total Findings:** 1



#### Finding 1

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the framework / climbing wall and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

#### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Titan Manufacturer: Hags

**Surface Type:** Mixed Surface

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

4 **Total Findings:** 



### Finding 1

The seat has been damaged - Monitor for any further

deterioration and replace as required

### Finding 2

The seat connection cannot be inspected without dismantling the seat - Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat connection for wear

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 4

The split pins are missing from the shackles - Insert split pins to secure the shackles





# 8 - Low Risk

Item: Inclusive Roundabout

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface Type: Wet Pour

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -





# 8 - Low Risk

Item: Cable Runway Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd **Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity:** 1 **Equipment Compliance:** Nο Surface Area Compliance: Yes

**Total Findings:** 6



# Finding 1

The edges of the grass mat surface are raised / lifting above Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas of the the surrounding surface - Tuck in or pin edges of grass mats as per the API Code of Practice to remove trip hazards

# Finding 3

There is a lack of growth within the grass area - Encourage growth with grass seeds

### Finding 5

does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 4 -Ensure the seat is a minimum of 350mm above ground level when loaded with 69.5kg

### Finding 2

grass mats - Remove pins from impact areas

# Finding 4

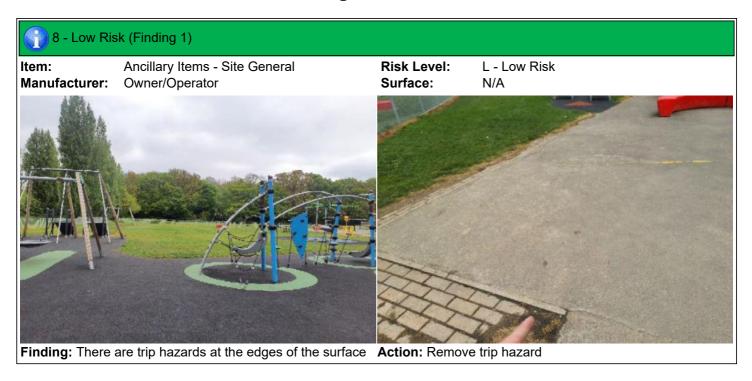
The cableway seat has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

### Finding 6

The height of the seat is less than 350mm when loaded and We have completed a visual inspection of the suspension links, cable and fixing points from ground level, however it is not possible to fully inspect these areas without either hiring equipment to gain access or removing the cable and suspension and inspecting at ground level. We recommend that the main cable and fixing security is thoroughly inspected at least in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations to check for wear, damage, security or internal rusting; this will help to ensure the continued safe use of the equipment - Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations



# **Findings information**







Item:Gates - Gate - Self ClosingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:I.A.E. FencingSurface:Wet Pour



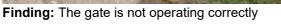


Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard

# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Gates - Gate - CombinationRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:I.A.E. FencingSurface:Concrete

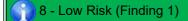






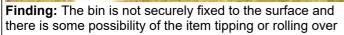
**Action:** Take effective action to ensure the gate closes between 4 and 8 seconds





Item:Ancillary Items - Litter BinRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:BroxapSurface:Grass







Action: Secure the bin to the ground





Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin

Manufacturer: Broxap

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Wet Pour







**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





Item:Ancillary Items - Seating AreaRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Wet Pour



**Finding:** The bench/es is/are not securely fixed to the surface and there is some possibility of the item/s tipping or rolling over



Action: Secure to the ground

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Ancillary Items - Seating AreaRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass

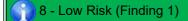


**Finding:** The bench/es is/are not securely fixed to the surface and there is some possibility of the item/s tipping or rolling over



Action: Secure to the ground





Item: Ancillary Items - Picnic Table

Manufacturer: Not Identified









**Finding:** The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed

**Action:** Reinstate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations





# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Ancillary Items - Picnic TableRisk 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

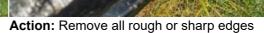


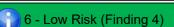


Ancillary Items - Picnic Table Risk Level: L - Low Risk Not Identified Surface: Grass



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered





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





**Finding:** The timber has a number of splits/shakes or air **Action:** Monitor to ensure the splits do not cross through 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





# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour



**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s due to missing end cap and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers

Action: Replace missing end cap to remove entrapment

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour





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

Action: Clean and treat appropriately





# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour



**Finding:** The unit is easily accessible and has an opening in **Action:** Monitor - No action given the risk assessment the barrier to steep play elements in excess of 500mm in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour



Finding: The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places



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

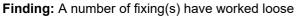




# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour







**Action:** Secure all loose fixings

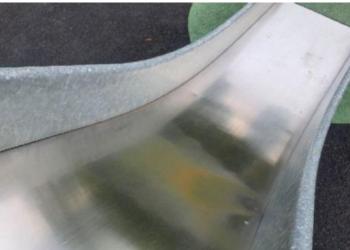


# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Other - Free Standing SlideRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour



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



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



# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Free Standing Slide Risk Leve

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk Surface: Wet Pour







**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s due to missing fixings and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers

**Action:** Replace missing fixings to remove entrapment





# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

V - Very Low Risk Other - Free Standing Slide Risk Level: Item: Surface: Wet Pour

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd



Finding: There is/are finger entrapment/s in the starting section of the slide and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers



Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Slanted Item: Risk Level: L - Low Risk Steps Wet Pour

Proludic Manufacturer: Surface:





Finding: The item has exposed edges and corners that are Action: Provide a 3mm radius to all exposed edges and sharp, or with a radius of less than 3mm, and does not meet corners, or remove sharp edge the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - 4.2.5





Item: Outdoor Fitness Equipment - Slanted

Steps
Manufacturer: Proludic

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour







Finding: There is or are fixings missing on the item

Action: Replace all missing fixings





# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Cable Runway - Hanging Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk

Manufacturer: Proludic Surface: Wet Pour





**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

**Action:** Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Other - Cable Runway - HangingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:ProludicSurface:Wet Pour





Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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





# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Other - Head Tennis Table Risk Level: Item:

Manufacturer: Teqball Surface: Bitmac





V - Very Low Risk

Finding: There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers





# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Item:

Area (MUGA)

Manufacturer: Proludic Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk

Bitmac Surface:





Finding: A clearly visible facility sign should be provided in Action: Provide signage to BS EN 15312 a prominent position with the wording as detailed BS EN 15312- the equipment is not intended for children less than 3 years old- the warning - Do not climb on the framework or nets- the warning - Do not hang on the ring (if provided)- the warning - Do not wear rings or other jewellery- name and telephone number of the administrator- number to call in case of accident





# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Proludic Surface: Bitmac





**Finding:** There is / are post or end caps missing / damaged **Action:** Replace missing / damaged post or end caps on the item





Item:Swings - 2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket SeatRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour







**Finding:** The secondary safety shackles are worn in excess **Action**: Replace worn shackles of 40% and require renewing





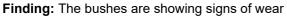
# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 2 Flat 1 Basket Seat

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour







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





Item:Activity Equipment - Climbing FrameRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Wet Pour







**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s in the framework / **Action:** Monitor - No action given the risk assessment climbing wall and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers





Item: Rotor Play - Titan

Manufacturer: Hags









Finding: The seat has been damaged

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





# 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 2)

Item:Rotor Play - TitanRisk Level:N - Risk Assessment not UndertakenManufacturer:HagsSurface:Mixed Surface





**Finding:** The seat connection cannot be inspected without dismantling the seat

**Action:** Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat connection for wear

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Rotor Play - Titan

Manufacturer: Hags



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



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

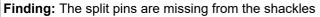




# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Rotor Play - TitanRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Mixed Surface







Action: Insert split pins to secure the shackles

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# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



**Finding:** The edges of the grass mat surface are raised / lifting above the surrounding surface



**Action:** Tuck in or pin edges of grass mats as per the API Code of Practice to remove trip hazards





Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas **Action:** Remove pins from impact areas of the grass mats

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Other - Cable RunwayRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Action: Encourage growth with grass seeds





Other - Cable Runway Item:

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Risk Level: L - Low Risk **Grass Matrix Tiles** Surface:





Finding: The cableway seat has been damaged

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

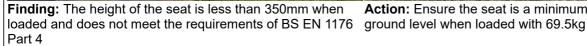
# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Other - Cable Runway

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd









Action: Ensure the seat is a minimum of 350mm above



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# 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 6)

Item: Other - Cable Runway

Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd



Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Action: Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers level, recommendations without

Finding: We have completed a visual inspection of the suspension links, cable and fixing points from ground level, however it is not possible to fully inspect these areas without either hiring equipment to gain access or removing the cable and suspension and inspecting at ground level. We recommend that the main cable and fixing security is thoroughly inspected at least in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations to check for wear, damage, security or internal rusting; this will help to ensure the continued safe use of the equipment



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# **Annual Inspection**

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# Inspection Scope for RPII Inspection Methodology

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

Inspections are undertaken with reference to the standards listed in this preamble only; where no date for the standard is given it will be the standard that is current at the time of inspection except 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, unless they are also explicitly listed here.

The following standards are relevant to all installations of equipment that are publicly accessible to users; this includes 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, excluding ancillary items).

In the United Kingdom the National Foreword forms an important part to the understanding and implementation of the recommendations set out in this document. It clarifies the application of the document within the UK as best practice guidance, as the document has been used since its initial publication. Therefore, in the UK this standard (BS EN 1176 – Part 7) contains no requirements and needs to be read and implemented as guidance, with the use of the term 'shall' therefore becoming a recommendation, as in the term 'should'.

Domestic play equipment falls outside of the scope of BS EN 1176 and has its own standards (BS EN 71 series – Safety of Toys). Where domestic equipment can be identified this will be acknowledged in the report but any comments concerning compliance will follow the requirements and recommendations of BS EN 1176.

When water play items, including spray parks, are inspected any comments concerning compliance within the inspection will refer to BS EN 176. We have not assessed these against the requirements of BS EN 17232 (Water play equipment and features).

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 these 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 (that area which is obviously part of the playground), nominally up to three metres around, the fence line if closer, or other areas as agreed.

Operational inspections only take into consideration defects related to cleanliness, equipment ground clearances, ground surface finishes, exposed foundations, sharp edges, missing parts, excessive wear (of moving parts) structural integrity, wear and vandalism.

Routine visual inspections relate only to the most obvious defects such as broken or missing parts, litter, vandalism and issues created by severe weather conditions (the intention is to identify hazards created by storm damage).

All inspections are non-dismantling, non-destructive and do not include 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 reasonably accessible equipment and will assess all reasonably accessible parts 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. (Note: Ancillary items are not included in the specific equipment-type parts of the EN 1176 series; hence they are not assessed for compliance with EN 1176 series and are subject to a general safety assessment).

The owner/operator is responsible for the overall safety of the equipment and area.

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 the impact attenuating properties of any surfaces; the identification of any corrosion, rot or other deterioration in any apparatus or equipment other than by an external inspection; the inspection of any equipment (or part thereof) that is beneath the playing surface (loose-fill materials may be moved to expose foundations); 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 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. 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 always seek the advice of the manufacturer or a competent person when undertaking repairs and/or modifications to equipment.

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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/ Post Installation Inspection
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of equipment (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	<b>~</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>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	<b>~</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>~</b>	<b>✓</b> [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	<b>✓</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>>						
Likelihood	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)	
	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	
	THE PLAN			1	2	3	4	5	
	NA 9 th Co. The ECLION			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	
Se						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).



# Cherry Hill

Inspection Ref: 2692097 Site Ref: 5630

Inspected: 24-April-2025 - 14:49 by James Law (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: 10 Low Risk



### Location:

The site is located in an area of public open space and is overlooked by a number of 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: Sign

Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



# 8 - Low Risk

Item: Gate

Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface Type: Paving Slabs

Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



# Finding 1

There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Remove trip hazard





# 6 - Low Risk

Item: Gate - Maintenance
Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

Total Findings: 3



# Finding 1

The maintenance gate was correctly padlocked at the time of inspection, however this means that the inspector was unable to fully assess the gate - Ensure that there are 12mm gaps throughout the full range of motion on gate/s and between leaves where relevant

#### Finding 3

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

# Finding 2

The gate has no drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts fitted - Provide drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts

# 1

### 6 - Low Risk

Item: Fence - Steel Mesh

Manufacturer: Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass

**Item Part Number:** 

Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A

Surface Area Compliance: N/A Total Findings: 1



## Finding 1

There are a number of loose posts around the fence - Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required





Item: Bench Manufacturer: Not Identified

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

**Total Findings:** 2



### Finding 1

The area around the item has eroded and may become

slippery - Reinstate eroded area

### Finding 2

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding -Treat affected areas and repaint



### 8 - Low Risk

Item: Bench Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface Type: Concrete

**Item Quantity: 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 2

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

## Finding 3

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

## Finding 4

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

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding -Treat affected areas and repaint





Litter Bin Item: Not Identified Manufacturer:

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

**Total Findings:** 3



### Finding 1

The lid or door of the litter bin is not secured - Ensure the lid The bin is not securely fixed to the surface and there is or door is kept locked

some possibility of the item tipping or rolling over - Secure the bin to the ground

### Finding 3

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding -Treat affected areas and repaint



## 8 - Low Risk

Litter Bin Item: Not Identified Manufacturer:

Surface Type: N/A **Item Quantity:** 2 **Equipment Compliance:** N/A Surface Area Compliance: N/A

**Total Findings:** 1



### 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





Item:5 a side GoalsManufacturer:Not Identified

Surface Type: Grass

**Item Part Number:** 

Item Quantity: 1

**Equipment Compliance:** N/A

Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Life Expectancy: 5 -10 Years

Total Findings: 4



## Finding 1

Finding 3

The area around the item has eroded and may become

slippery - Reinstate eroded area

## Finding 2

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - Treat affected areas and repaint

# Finding 4

There is/are inserts missing - Replace missing inserts

The goal frame has only been secured at one end - Refer to manufacturer recommendations and provide as required





Item:Multi Play (Junior)Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 3



### Finding 1

The connecting lugs are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

### 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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspection-services/safety-surface-testing/ ) - Contact our office for a quotation for this service

### Finding 2

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

# 1

## 6 - Low Risk

Item:Spring BulldozerManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 2



## Finding 1

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

### Finding 2

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers





Item:Spring BikeManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 1



## Finding 1

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required





Item: 3 Bay Swing

Manufacturer: Hags

**Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles** 

**Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance:** No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

**Total Findings:** 14



### Finding 1

The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations. -Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

# Finding 2

The seat/s is / are too close to the frame as defined in BS EN 1176 Part 2 - Monitor - No action given the risk

### Finding 3

The seats are too close to each other as defined in BS EN 1176 Part 2; this is a low risk failure and no remedial action is required - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

### Finding 4

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

## Finding 5

The chain openings are in excess of 8.6mm and do not meet the recommendations of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment

### Finding 6

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

### Finding 7

The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding - additional ties or secure / reinstate surface Treat affected areas and repaint

### Finding 8

There are gaps opening in between the tiles - Provide

The seat has been severely damaged - Repair / replace the The swing seat connectors are loose - Tighten to secure seat as required

## Finding 10

### Finding 11

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

## Finding 12

The swing seat connectors have some wear present -Monitor for further deterioration and replace when 40% worn

## Finding 13

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

### Finding 14

There is moderate damage to the surface and there are trip hazards present - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing to remove any trip points





Item: Roundabout

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles

Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No

Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Life Expectancy: >10 Years

Total Findings: 5



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

### Finding 3

The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re-

paint



The bearing is worn / damaged and the item is not operating correctly - Repair / replace

### Finding 4

The distance between the underside of the roundabout platform and the playing surface is in excess of 110mm and contravenes the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 5 which requires that the distance be maintained between 60mm-110mm - for the entire circumference of the roundabout - Monitor - No action given the risk assessment



The surface has subsided in some areas - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required







Item:Rope ClimberManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface Type:Grass Matrix Tiles

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

Total Findings: 6



### Finding 1

The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet. - Reinstate as required

### Finding 3

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

### Finding 5

The ropes/nets are worn/damaged in places - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair or replace as required

### Finding 2

There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles - Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

### Finding 4

Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas of the grass mats - Remove pins from impact areas

### Finding 6

There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



# **Findings information**





Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface Action: Remove trip hazard





### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item:Gates - Gate - MaintenanceRisk Level:N - Risk Assessment not UndertakenManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass





**Finding:** The maintenance gate was correctly padlocked at **Action:** Ensure that there are 12mm gaps throughout the the time of inspection, however this means that the inspector full range of motion on gate/s and between leaves where was unable to fully assess the gate relevant

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## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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





**Finding:** The gate has no drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts fitted

Action: Provide drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Gates - Gate - Maintenance Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Grass Not Identified Surface: Manufacturer:



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Fences - Fence - Steel Mesh Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass





Finding: There are a number of loose posts around the fence

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and reset as required





## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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





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

Action: Reinstate eroded area



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

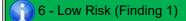




**Finding:** The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

Action: Treat affected areas and repaint





Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete





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

Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Ancillary Items - BenchRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Concrete



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



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





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Ancillary Items - Bench Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Not Identified Surface: Concrete Manufacturer:





Finding: There is algae or moss on the surface of the bench Action: Clean and treat appropriately

## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Ancillary Items - Bench Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Not Identified Manufacturer: Surface: Concrete





Finding: There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface Action: Clean and treat appropriately resulting in slippery conditions





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Ancillary Items - Bench Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Not Identified Surface: Concrete Manufacturer:





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding

## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass





Finding: The lid or door of the litter bin is not secured

Action: Ensure the lid or door is kept locked





## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Ancillary Items - Litter Bin L - Low Risk Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified 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 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Litter Bin Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Grass



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding







## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

 Item:
 Ancillary Items - Litter Bin
 Risk Level:
 L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: N/A



**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

## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Multi Use Games Area - 5 a side GoalsRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Not IdentifiedSurface:Grass



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



**Action:** Reinstate eroded area





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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





Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding



## 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

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





Finding: There is/are inserts missing

Action: Replace missing inserts





Finding: The goal frame has only been secured at one end Action: Refer to manufacturer recommendations and provide as required





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The connecting lugs are showing signs of wear



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

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## 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:



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

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



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



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## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)Risk Level:Manufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:



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. Consideration should be given to HIC testing the surface to verify impact attenuating properties ( https://playinspections.co.uk/inspectionservices/safety-surface-testing/)

Action: Contact our office for a quotation for this service





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring BulldozerRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





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

**Action:** Clean and treat appropriately



## 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring BulldozerRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers





Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring BikeRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



**Finding:** The item is slightly loose in its foundations



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





### 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 3 Bay Swing

Manufacturer: Hags

Risk Level: Surface: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

**Grass Matrix Tiles** 





**Finding:** The fixings or components for this item were in excess of 2.5m above the standing surface and could not be recommendations fully accessed by the inspector. We have completed a visual inspection of the fixings from ground level but a maintenance inspection should be undertaken to assess the condition, security and wear of the components at intervals in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations.

Action: Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers





Manufacturer: Hags









**Finding:** The seat/s is / are too close to the frame as defined in BS EN 1176 Part 2

Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





Manufacturer: Hags

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







**Finding:** The seats are too close to each other as defined in **Action:** Monitor - No action given the risk assessment BS EN 1176 Part 2; this is a low risk failure and no remedial action is required



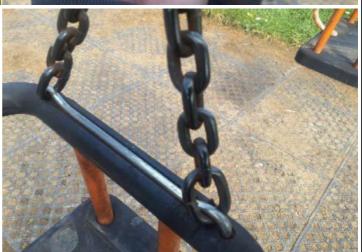


Manufacturer: Hags

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







Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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





Manufacturer: Hags









**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 action given the risk assessment





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Swings - 3 Bay Swing Risk Level: L - Low Risk Item: Manufacturer: Hags Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 



Finding: There is some wear to the shackles



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

## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

L - Low Risk Item: Swings - 3 Bay Swing Risk Level: Manufacturer: Hags Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 



Finding: The paintwork on this item has been damaged or Action: Treat affected areas and repaint worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting / corroding







Manufacturer: Hags

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







Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles

Action: Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface





Item:Swings - 3 Bay SwingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





Finding: The seat has been severely damaged

Action: Repair / replace the seat as required

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 10)

Item:Swings - 3 Bay SwingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles

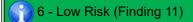




Finding: The swing seat connectors are loose

Action: Tighten to secure





Manufacturer: Hags

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







Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

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





Manufacturer: Hags

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







**Finding:** The swing seat connectors have some wear present

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

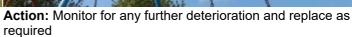




## 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 13)

Item:Swings - 3 Bay SwingRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 14)

Finding: The bushes are showing signs of wear

Item:Swings - 3 Bay SwingRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:HagsSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles



**Finding:** There is moderate damage to the surface and there are trip hazards present



**Action:** Repair the damaged areas of surfacing to remove any trip points





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

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



Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles



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

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## 10 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

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



**Finding:** The bearing is worn / damaged and the item is not **Action:** Repair / replace operating correctly





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd

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



Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork



Action: Rub down and re-paint



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout

Manufacturer: G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd



**Finding:** The distance between the underside of the roundabout platform and the playing surface is in excess of 110mm and contravenes the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 5 which requires that the distance be maintained between 60mm-110mm - for the entire circumference of the roundabout

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



Action: Monitor - No action given the risk assessment





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Rotor Play - RoundaboutManufacturer:G L Jones Playgrounds Ltd



Finding: The surface has subsided in some areas

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



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

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## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item:Activity Equipment - Rope ClimberRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** The grass mats are silted up, the soil is compacted **Action:** Reinstate as required and the area will become very slippery when the soil is wet.





## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Activity Equipment - Rope ClimberRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

**Action:** Provide additional ties or secure / reinstate surface

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## 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Activity Equipment - Rope ClimberRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





**Finding:** There is some minor damage to the surface

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





## 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Activity Equipment - Rope ClimberRisk Level:V - Very Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles





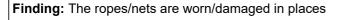
**Finding:** Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas **Action:** Remove pins from impact areas of the grass mats

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## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Activity Equipment - Rope ClimberRisk Level:L - Low RiskManufacturer:Kompan LtdSurface:Grass Matrix Tiles







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





# 3 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 6)

V - Very Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles Activity Equipment - Rope Climber Risk Level: Item: Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd Surface:





Finding: There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers on the item