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Annual Inspection

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Risk Assessment Matrix

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

Severity>>

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

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

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

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

Site Information

Inspection Ref: 613980

Site Ref: 40454

Customer Order No: None

Annual Inspection - 02 July 2018 at 12:12 Inspector: Matt Hall RPII Annual Inspector (Outdoor)

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: Generally accessible; an area accessible to most but not all people even when help is at hand.



8 - Low Risk

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



Finding 1

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

Finding 2

The rubber buffer is missing from the latch plate - Replace rubber buffer

Finding 3

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



6 - Low Risk

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



Finding 1

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



4 - Very Low Risk

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



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



6 - Low Risk

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



Finding 1

The end caps are missing - Replace caps



6 - Low Risk

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



Finding 1

The liner of the litter bin is not secured - Ensure the lid/door is kept locked and the liner secured



6 - Low Risk

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



Finding 1

Coping stones missing - Repair as required

Finding 2

The brickwork is deteriorating - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



4 - Very Low Risk

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



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Self Closing
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Bitmac
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Surface Nominal Depth: 2mm
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



10 - Low Risk

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 2 Cradle 1 Inclusive Seat
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 2



Finding 1

Parts of the steel seat frame project outside of the seat and have no impact attenuation properties to protect users passing by or underneath - Refer to the manufacturer for confirmation of design risk assessment

Finding 2

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



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



8 - Low Risk

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: N/A
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The fence forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor use



4 - Very Low Risk

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



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Rocking Equipment - Spring Bee
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required



4 - Very Low Risk




Item: Rocking Equipment - Spring See-Saw
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Ref/Part Number:
Total Findings: 1






Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required

Findings Information

 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Gate - Combination	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	Surface:	Grass
			
Finding:	The area under the gate has eroded leaving uneven areas, or the concrete foundations exposed, resulting in trip hazards at the entrance/exit to the playground		
Action:	Reinstate to level with surrounding surfaces		

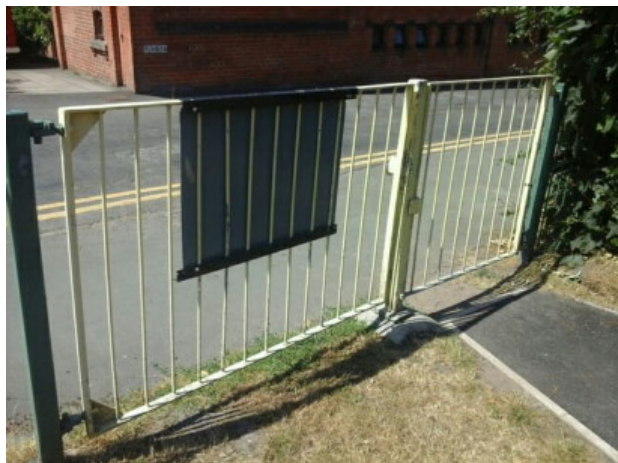
 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Gate - Combination	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	Surface:	Grass
			
Finding:	The rubber buffer is missing from the latch plate		
Action:	Replace rubber buffer		



6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Gate - Combination
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

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



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Fence - Bow Top
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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



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: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The end caps are missing

Action: Replace caps



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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



Finding: The liner of the litter bin is not secured

Action: Ensure the lid/door is kept locked and the liner secured



6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Wall

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Surface: N/A



Finding: Coping stones missing

Action: Repair as required



6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Wall
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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



Finding: The brickwork is deteriorating

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 2 Cradle 1 Inclusive Seat

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: Parts of the steel seat frame project outside of the seat and have no impact attenuation properties to protect users passing by.or underneath

Action: Refer to the manufacturer for confirmation of design risk assessment



8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - 2 Bay 2 Cradle 1 Inclusive Seat

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface

Action: Reinstate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points



8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Toddler)

Risk Level: L - Low Risk

Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The fence forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1

Action: Monitor use