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Annual Inspection

Creech St Michael

Creech St Michael Junior 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 1176. 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)	✓	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	✓	✓ [2]
6.1 d) Compliance with the relevant parts of the standard and or risk assessment (see note 3)	✓	✓ [3]
6.1 d) Effects of weather	✓	✓
6.1 d) Presence of rot, decay or corrosion (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Assessment of repairs made or added or replaced components (see note 4)	✓	✓ [4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	✓	✗
6.2.1 Assessment of glass reinforced plastics (see note 5)	✓	✓ [5]
6.2.1 Inspection of one post equipment (see note 1)	✓	✓ [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	✓	✗

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	
			1	2	3	4	5	
			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>>					
<p>Note 1: The total risk scores included within our reports are a multiplication 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).</p> <p>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.</p>								

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).



Creech St Michael Junior Area

Inspection Ref: 1990885

Site Ref: 14584

Inspected: 2-March-2023 - 09:04 by Lyn Williams RPII Annual Inspector

Risk Assessment: 10 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.

i 9 - Low Risk

Item: Site General
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

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

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

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 4

The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface - Consider HIC testing impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment and replace as required

i 5 - 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

BS EN 1176 Part 7 recommends that signage shall include the site name / address - Provide additional information



i 4 - Very Low Risk

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

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Bench
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 -

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Bench
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
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 -

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Picnic Table
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Item Quantity: 2
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 paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re-paint



i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Litter Bin
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Cycle Rack
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 -

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Teenage Shelter
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: N/A
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 4

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 graffiti present - Remove the graffiti

Finding 3

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

Finding 4

There are trip hazards present over the shelter base - Reinstate surrounding surfaces to level to remove the trip points

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Boulders
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

The rocks and/or boulders have sharp edges that are exposed to the user - Remove all sharp edges

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Overhead Rotator
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Mixed Surface
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

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

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Item: See Saw
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

The item has been fenced off while it is being reinstalled - Ensure that the item is inspected prior to allowing public access

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 4

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

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 damage to the surface - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing

Finding 4

The edges of the grass mat surface have not been installed in accordance with the API Code of Practice - Tuck in edges of grass mat to remove trip hazards

i 10 - Low Risk

Item: Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 6

Finding 1

This item of equipment has a fall height in excess of 2.5m and grass mats have been installed as an impact absorbing surface; these mats rely heavily on the underlying surface to achieve their critical fall height properties. - Ensure surfacing certification is sought and consider HIC testing to ensure the surfacing is performing adequately

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

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

Finding 4

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the structure and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 5

The shackles have been overtightened or seized transferring wear to the rope connector - Loosen shackles to ensure free movement at the pivot

Finding 6

The universal joint cover over the rotating platform is damaged, split or missing - Replace the cover

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Low Rotator
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Mixed Surface
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

The handgrips are damaged or missing exposing sharp edges - Replace the handgrips as required

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Supernova
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 -

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Mixed Surface
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 4

Finding 1

The connecting lugs are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

Finding 2

The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 3

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

Finding 4

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

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Contact Swing - Type 4
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd
Surface Type: Mixed Surface
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

The chain links are worn in excess of 40% and require renewing - Replace worn chains

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd
Surface Type: Mixed Surface
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 3

Finding 1

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the structure adjacent to the 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 remedial work recommended

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

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

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Net Climber
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 2



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

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken

Item: Rope Swing
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 1



Finding 1

The item has been fenced off while being reinstated - Ensure that the item is inspected prior to allowing public access

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 6

Finding 1

The rope anchor bar forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

The bridge slats can be moved creating a potential head trap between the slats - Secure the slats in position

Finding 4

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

Finding 5

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

Finding 6

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

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Dish Roundabout
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -

i 10 - Low Risk

Item: Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Surface Nominal Depth: 65mm
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes
Total Findings: 5



Finding 1

The seat clearance from finished surface level to the underside of the seat is too low and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 2 (400mm minimum clearance required from rigid part of seat in most onerous position) - Adjust seat clearance

Finding 3

The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 5

The seat connection cannot be inspected fully as the chain cover cannot be lifted - Cut the cover to allow access to the shackle and assess the wear

Finding 2

The bushes are worn or missing - Replace worn or missing bushes

Finding 4

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

i 10 - Low Risk

Item: Roundabout
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

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

Finding 2

The surfacing dimensions are short and do not meet with the requirements of the current applicable standard - Monitor - no remedial action recommended

Finding 3

The opening to the side of the platform is in excess of 8mm and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 5 - Adjust / Refer to manufacturer

Finding 4

The bearing is worn / damaged and the item is not operating correctly - Repair / replace the bearing

Findings information

8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)			
Item:	Ancillary Items - Site General	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	Surface:	N/A
			
Finding: There are trip hazards at the edges of the footpath surface		Action: Reinstate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points	

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

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



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

i 9 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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

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



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 4)

Item: Ancillary Items - Site General **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator **Surface:** N/A



Finding: The grass mats are silted up and the soil is compacted; this may have an effect on the impact absorbing properties of the surface
Action: Consider HIC testing impact absorbing properties to ensure the correct surface qualities are maintained for the equipment and replace as required

5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Sign **Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk
Manufacturer: Not Identified **Surface:** N/A



Finding: BS EN 1176 Part 7 recommends that signage shall include the site name / address
Action: Provide additional information

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

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



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

Action: Reinststate eroded area

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

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



Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Ancillary Items - Teenage Shelter
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: N/A



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

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

i 2 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Ancillary Items - Teenage Shelter
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: N/A



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti

6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Teenage Shelter
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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



Finding: The paint is flaking off the metalwork

Action: Rub down and re-paint

8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Ancillary Items - Teenage Shelter
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

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



Finding: There are trip hazards present over the shelter base

Action: Reinstate surrounding surfaces to level to remove the trip points

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Boulders
Manufacturer: Owner/Operator

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The rocks and/or boulders have sharp edges that are exposed to the user
Action: Remove all sharp edges

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rotor Play - Overhead Rotator
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is surface corrosion present on the item
Action: Consider treating the item

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Rocking Equipment - See Saw
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The item has been fenced off while it is being reinstalled

Action: Ensure that the item is inspected prior to allowing public access

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



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

Action: Inspect in accordance with the manufacturers recommendations

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 2)

Item:	Other - Cable Runway	Risk Level:	N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Manufacturer:	Sutcliffe Play Limited	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 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
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i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:	Other - Cable Runway	Risk Level:	L - Low Risk
Manufacturer:	Sutcliffe Play Limited	Surface:	Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is damage to the surface	Action: Repair the damaged areas of surfacing
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i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: The edges of the grass mat surface have not been installed in accordance with the API Code of Practice
Action: Tuck in edges of grass mat to remove trip hazards

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: This item of equipment has a fall height in excess of 2.5m and grass mats have been installed as an impact absorbing surface; these mats rely heavily on the underlying surface to achieve their critical fall height properties.
Action: Ensure surfacing certification is sought and consider HIC testing to ensure the surfacing is performing adequately

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



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

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



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

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

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: There is/are finger entrapment/s in the structure 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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: The shackles have been overtightened or seized transferring wear to the rope connector

Action: Loosen shackles to ensure free movement at the pivot

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Frame
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: The universal joint cover over the rotating platform is damaged, split or missing **Action:** Replace the cover

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rotor Play - Low Rotator
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



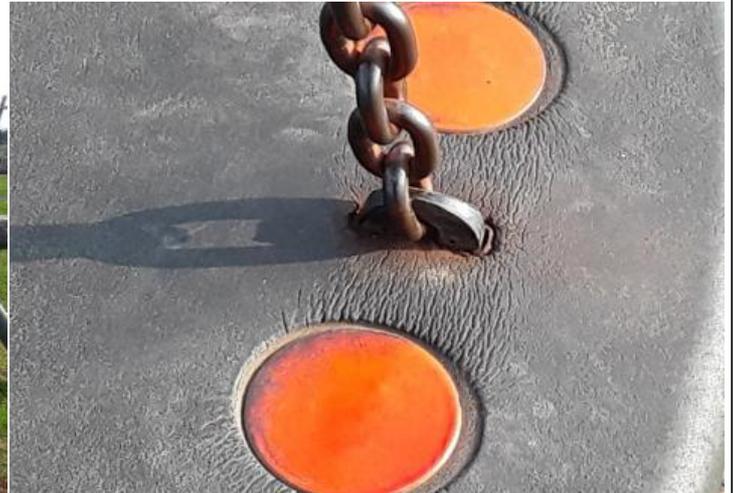
Finding: The handgrips are damaged or missing exposing sharp edges

Action: Replace the handgrips as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



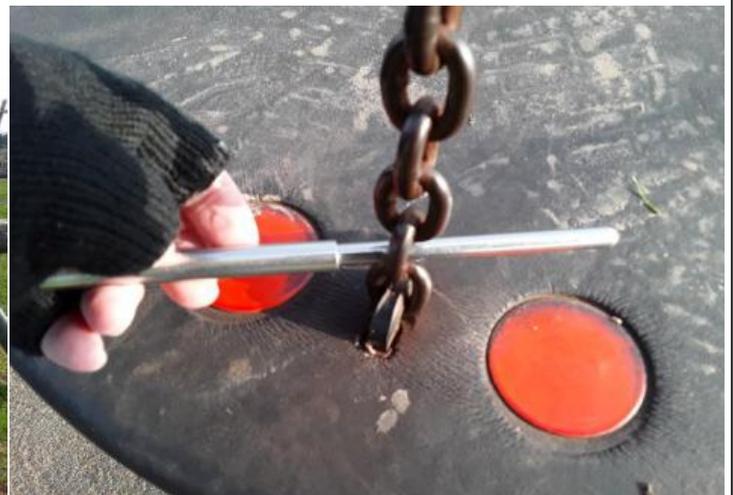
Finding: The connecting lugs are showing signs of wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



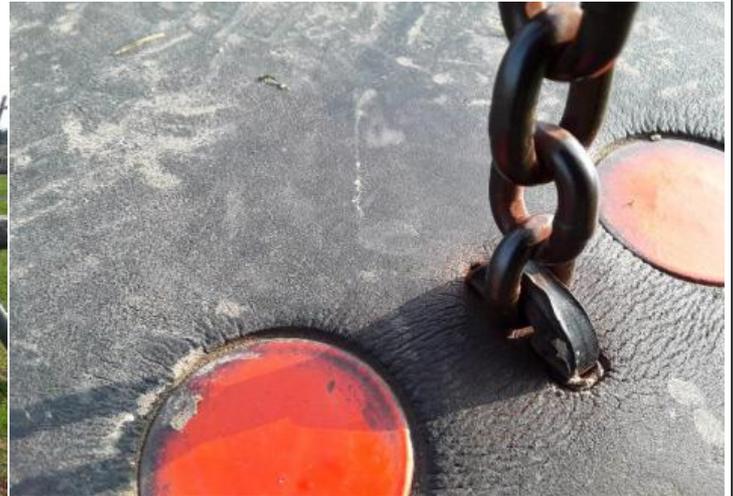
Finding: The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Swings - Single Point Swing - Type 3
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is surface corrosion present on the item

Action: Consider treating the item

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Contact Swing - Type 4
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: The chain links are worn in excess of 40% and require renewing

Action: Replace worn chains

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



Finding: There is/are finger entrapment/s in the structure adjacent to the climbing wall 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)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Kompan Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Mixed Surface



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

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

8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
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

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Net Climber
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
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 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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Net Climber
Manufacturer: Huck Nets (UK) Ltd

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



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

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

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Rope Swing
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

Risk Level: N - Risk Assessment not Undertaken
Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: The item has been fenced off while being reinstated

Action: Ensure that the item is inspected prior to allowing public access

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: The rope anchor bar forms a hard object within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1
Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



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

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



Finding: The bridge slats can be moved creating a potential head trap between the slats
Action: Secure the slats in position

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



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

Action: Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



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

Action: Reinstate eroded area

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Sutcliffe Play Limited

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



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

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The seat clearance from finished surface level to the underside of the seat is too low and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 2 (400mm minimum clearance required from rigid part of seat in most onerous position)

Action: Adjust seat clearance

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The bushes are worn or missing

Action: Replace worn or missing bushes

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



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

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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

0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 5)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Not Identified

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



Finding: The seat connection cannot be inspected fully as the chain cover cannot be lifted

Action: Cut the cover to allow access to the shackle and assess the wear

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is damage to the surface

Action: Repair the damaged areas of surfacing

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The surfacing dimensions are short and do not meet with the requirements of the current applicable standard

Action: Monitor - no remedial action recommended

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The opening to the side of the platform is in excess of 8mm and fails the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 5 **Action:** Adjust / Refer to manufacturer

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The bearing is worn / damaged and the item is not operating correctly **Action:** Repair / replace the bearing