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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 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)	$\checkmark$	✓ [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of foundations (see note 1)	$\checkmark$	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Overall levels of safety of playing surfaces (see note 2)	$\checkmark$	✓ [2]
6.1 d) Compliance with the relevant parts of the standard and or risk assessment (see note 3)	<b>~</b>	<b>V</b> [3]
6.1 d) Effects of weather	$\checkmark$	<ul> <li></li> </ul>
6.1 d) Presence of rot, decay or corrosion (see note 1)	$\checkmark$	<b>V</b> [1]
6.1 d) Assessment of repairs made or added or replaced components (see note 4)	$\checkmark$	[4]
6.1 d) Excavation or dismantling/additional measures	$\checkmark$	×
6.2.1 Assessment of glass reinforced plastics (see note 5)	$\checkmark$	<b>V</b> [5]
6.2.1 Inspection of one post equipment (see note 1)	$\checkmark$	✓ [1]
6.2.4 Undertaking the Operators inspection protocol	$\checkmark$	×

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.

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## **Risk Assessment Matrix**

			Scores in	n the report a	are multiplic	ation factors	of Likelihood	x Severity
	1	r —			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)
Likelihood	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)
			I	Very Low	Low	Moderate	High	Very High
	THE PLAN			1	2	3	4	5
	PI ANVAGNOOT			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
<u> </u>						Severity>>		
each finding numbers are	total risk scores included within b. Both Likelihood and Severity e then multiplied together to give led in both directions, i.e. a total	are ve t	e given a num he total risk s	ber between core that is s	1 - 5 as shov hown against	vn on the mat defects on th	rix above and <sup>•</sup> ne report. Total	these two risk scores

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).



# The Recreation Ground

Inspection Ref: 1921569

Site Ref: 72060

Inspected: 17-January-2023 - 09:51 by Robert Baldock (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.



🕤 10 - Low Risk		
Item:	Site General	
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	
Surface Type:	N/A	The state of the second second
Item Quantity:	1	
Equipment Compliance:	N/A	
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A	
Total Findings:	4	
Finding 1		Finding 2
recommended in BS EN 149	ea, a recommendation to wear jency contact details etc	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
Finding 3		Finding 4
The surface has eroded and Reinstate surrounding surface	old foundations are exposed - ces to cover the foundations	There is some tree debris on the surfacing - Remove and maintain

4 - Very Low Risk		
Item:	Sign	ETT AR INTE
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 -	



8 - Low Risk		
Item: Manufacturer: Surface Type: Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance: Surface Area Compliance: Total Findings:	Gate - Self Closing Owner/Operator Grass 1 N/A N/A 5	
Finding 1 The self closing mechanism components	is missing - Replace all missing	Finding 2 There are openings that are less than 12mm that could trap or crush fingers - Where possible a 12mm gap should be provided on both sides or between the gate leaves
Finding 3		Finding 4
or the concrete foundations e	to the playground - Reinstate to	The paint is flaking off the metalwork - Rub down and re- paint
Finding 5		
There are a number of redur equipment - Remove	idant cable ties attached to the	

### 🌍 9 - Low Risk

Item: Manufacturer: Surface Type: Item Quantity:	Litter Bin Owner/Operator Grass 2	
Equipment Compliance: Surface Area Compliance:	S N/A N/A	
Total Findings:	2	
Finding 1		Finding 2

	Finding 1	Finding 2
- 1	The item has been severely damaged - Repair or replace the item	The lid or door of the litter bin is not secured - Ensure the lid or door is kept locked



8 - Low Risk		
Item:	Gate - Maintenance	
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	And the second sec
Surface Type:	Grass	the second se
Item Quantity:	1	1000000
Equipment Compliance:	N/A	
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A	
Total Findings:	3	
Finding 1		Finding 2
There is no padlock on the n padlock to secure the gate	naintenance gate - Provide a	There are openings that are less than 12mm that could trap or crush fingers - Where possible a 12mm gap should be provided on both sides or between the gate leaves
Finding 3		
The dropbolt sleeves are day required	maged - Repair or replace as	
6 - Low Risk		
Item:	Fence - Bow Top	
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	L-H-L
Surface Type:	Grass	
Item Quantity:	1	
Equipment Compliance:	N/A	
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A	
Total Findings:	4	
Finding 1		Finding 2
There is some damage to the any further deterioration and	e fence sections - Monitor for repair as required	There are a number of redundant cable ties attached to the equipment - Remove
Finding 3		Finding 4
There are a number of fixing Replace missing fixings	s missing from the fence -	A number of fixings have worked loose around the fencing - Secure all loose fixings



(A) 10 - Low Risk		
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Item:	Bench	
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	
Surface Type:	Grass	
Item Quantity:	3	
Equipment Compliance:	N/A	
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A	
Total Findings:	3	
Finding 1		Finding 2
There are areas or parts of t have rotted - Replace all affe	he timber on the structure that ected timbers	There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment - Clean and treat appropriately
Finding 3		]
	urely fixed to the surface and	
	ne item/s tipping or rolling over -	
Secure to the ground		
4 - Very Low Risk		
Item:	Picnic Table	
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	
Surface Type:	Grass	
	Grass 2	
Item Quantity:		
Surface Type: Item Quantity: Equipment Compliance: Surface Area Compliance:	2 N/A	

#### Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -



12 - Moderate Risk		
Item:	1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1	
Manufacturer:	Wicksteed Playgrounds	
Surface Type:	Wet Pour	
Item Quantity:	1	
Equipment Compliance:	No	
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes	
Life Expectancy:	5 -10 Years	
Total Findings:	8	
Finding 1		Finding 2
	ne area is beginning to wear - foration and repair as required	There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately
Finding 3		Finding 4
The seats are severely dama Replace damaged seats	aged and requires replacing -	There is some notable evidence of chain wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn
Finding 5		Finding 6
The chain openings are in ex recommended by BS EN 117 recommended		There is some wear to the shackles Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn
Finding 7		Finding 8
There is moderate damage t damaged areas of surfacing	o the surface - Repair the	There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti



8 - Low Risk		
Item:	Spring Camel	
Manufacturer:	Ledon	
Surface Type:	Grass Matrix Tiles	
Item Quantity:	1	
Equipment Compliance:	No	
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes	
Life Expectancy:	3 - 5 Years	
Total Findings:	6	
Finding 1		Finding 2
There is some graffiti presen	t - Remove the graffiti	The item has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required
Finding 3		Finding 4
of less than 15cm2 and fail to	footrests have a cross section o meet the requirements of BS o remedial work recommended	There is/are bolt cap covers missing or damaged on the item - Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers
Finding 5		Finding 6
There is moderate damage to damaged areas of surfacing	o the surface - Repair the	The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint



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ltem: Manufacturer:	Spring Horse Ledon		
Surface Type:	Grass Matrix Tiles		
Item Quantity:	1		
Equipment Compliance:	No		
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes		
Life Expectancy:	3 - 5 Years		
Total Findings:	5		
Finding 1		Finding 2	
There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti		The end of handgrips and/or footrests have a cross section of less than 15cm2 and fail to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 6 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended	
Finding 3		Finding 4	
The paintwork on the spring has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint		The item has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required	
Finding 5			
There is some minor damage to the surface - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required			

### 4 - Very Low Risk

Item:	Hopscotch	
Manufacturer:	Owner/Operator	
Surface Type:	Bitmac	
Item Quantity:	1	
Equipment Compliance:	N/A	
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A	
Life Expectancy:	<12 Months	
Total Findings:	1	
Finding 1		
The item is damaged - Repa	ir or replace the item	



10 - Low Risk			
Item:	Roundabout		
Manufacturer:	Wicksteed Playgrounds		
Surface Type:	Wet Pour	En al	
Item Quantity:	1		
Equipment Compliance:	No		
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes		
Life Expectancy:	5 -10 Years	the second s	
Total Findings:	7		
Finding 1		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		There is weed / vegetation growth on, between, or around the edges of the surfacing - Remove weed / vegetation growth	
Finding 3		Finding 4	
The safety surface around the area is beginning to wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required		There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately	
Finding 5		Finding 6	
There are trip hazards at the edges of the surface - Reinstate surrounding surface levels to remove the trip points		The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint	
Finding 7			
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 remedial work recommended			



12 - Moderate Risk			
Item:	Cantilever Swing - Type 3		
Manufacturer:	Miracle Recreation Equipment	Company	
Surface Type:	Grass Matrix Tiles		
Item Quantity:	1		
Equipment Compliance:	No		
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes		
Life Expectancy:	5 -10 Years		
Total Findings:	10		
Finding 1		Finding 2	
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			graffiti present - Remove the graffiti
Finding 3		Finding 4	
The incorrect seat design has been installed on this swing; there are unique designs for Type 1 and Type 3 swings that provide differing impact attenuating properties to the leading edges of the seat and/or has incorrectly aligned seat eye fixings which will lead to accelerated wear Consider replacing with the correct design seat		The bushes are bushes	e worn or missing - Replace worn or missing
Finding 5		Finding 6	
The swing seat connectors h Monitor for further deteriorati worn			notable evidence of chain wear - Monitor for erioration and replace when 40% worn
Finding 7		Finding 8	
There is some wear to the shackles Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn		The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended	
Finding 9	and there are projecting fixings	Finding 10	ninor damage or wear - Monitor for any



12 - Moderate Risk			
Item:	Multi Play (Junior)		
Manufacturer:	Wicksteed Playgrounds		
Surface Type:	Grass Matrix Tiles		
Item Quantity:	1		
Equipment Compliance:	No		
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes		
Life Expectancy:	1 - 3 Years		
Total Findings:	10		
Finding 1		Finding 2	
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 remedial work recommended		There is/are finger entrapment/s in the frame 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 3		Finding 4	
Parts of the steel on this iten and the metal has perforated areas are treated and repaire	l in places - Ensure all affected	The height of the barrier(s) is insufficient and fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended	
Finding 5		Finding 6	
There is algae or moss on the surface of the equipment - Clean and treat appropriately		There is/are several inserts missing - Replace missing inserts	
Finding 7		Finding 8	
There are a number of dents in the slide surface - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required		The fixings have corroded excessively - Replace all corroded fixings	
Finding 9		Finding 10	
There are projecting bolt thread(s) present - Remove excess thread length and deburr or provide cap		There is moderate damage to the surface - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing	



🕜 8 - Low Risk				
Item:	1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)			
Manufacturer:	Wheelscape Ltd			
Surface Type:	Grass Matrix Tiles			
Item Quantity:	1			
Equipment Compliance:	No			
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes			
Life Expectancy:	5 -10 Years			
Total Findings:	11			
Finding 1		Finding 2		
There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti		Fixing Pins have been installed in the impact areas of the grass mats - Remove pins from impact areas		
Finding 3		Finding 4		
There is moderate damage to the surface - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing		The swing seat connectors are loose - Tighten to secure		
Finding 5		Finding 6		
The chain links are worn in excess of 40% and require renewing - Replace worn chains		The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended		
Finding 7		Finding 8		
There is some wear to the shackles Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn		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 remedial work recommended		
Finding 9		Finding 10		
The swing seat connectors have some wear present - Monitor for further deterioration and replace when 40% worn		The seat has minor damage or wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required		
Finding 11				
The fixings have corroded ex corroded fixings	cessively - Replace all			



8 - Low Risk			
Item:	Multi Use Games Area (MUGA	.)	
Manufacturer:	Wicksteed Playgrounds		
Surface Type:	Bitmac		
Item Quantity:	1		
Equipment Compliance:	No		
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A		
Life Expectancy:	>10 Years		
Total Findings:	8		
Finding 1		Finding 2	
The surface is crumbing in areas creating slippery conditions - Sweep and clear all loose debris and monitor		There is algae, silt or moss growth on the surface resulting in slippery conditions - Clean and treat appropriately	
Finding 3		Finding 4	
There is/are finger entrapments in the frame and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 15312 Clause 4.4.2.2 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor - No remedial work recommended		A number of fixing(s) have worked loose - Secure all loose fixings	
Finding 5		Finding 6	
3 years old- the warning - Do	vording as detailed BS EN intended for children less than o not climb on the framework or ang on the ring (if provided)- the or other jewellery- name and ninistrator- number to call in	There is some graffiti present - Remove the graffiti	
Finding 7		Finding 8	
There is or are fixings missing on the item - Replace all missing fixings		The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint	



10 - Low Risk			
Item:	Cable Runway		
Manufacturer:	Wicksteed Playgrounds	E AF AND	
Surface Type:	Grass Matrix Tiles		
Item Quantity:	1		
Equipment Compliance:	No	and the second sec	
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes		
Life Expectancy:	>10 Years		
Total Findings:	6		
Finding 1		Finding 2	
The unit is easily accessible and should have the appropriate barriers installed to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 as the height of the unit exceeds 600mm - Monitor - No remedial work recommended		There is moderate damage to the surface - Repair the damaged areas of surfacing	
Finding 3		Finding 4	
The seat is less than 2.0 metres from the post when extended at 45 degrees at the end of the area of travel and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 4 - Adjust the cable stop position to ensure the minimum distance is maintained		The cableway seat has been damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required	
Finding 5		Finding 6	
The dampening spring or tyre is damaged or broken on the item - Replace spring or tyre		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	



😭 8 - Low Risk

Item:	Half Pipe
Manufacturer:	Not Identified
Surface Type:	Bitmac
Item Quantity:	1
Equipment Compliance:	Yes
Surface Area Compliance:	Yes
Life Expectancy:	5 -10 Years
Total Findings:	2
Finding 1	



The paintwork on this item has been damaged or worn exposing the metal underneath which is rusting - Treat any rusting components and repaint Finding 2 There is or are fixings missing on the item - Replace all missing fixings

#### 😭 8 - Low Risk

Item:	Quarter Pipe	HU.
Manufacturer:	Not Identified	
Surface Type:	Bitmac	1 A
Item Quantity:	1	
Equipment Compliance:	No	
Surface Area Compliance:	N/A	
Life Expectancy:	5 -10 Years	and the second s
Total Findings:	1	
Finding 1		

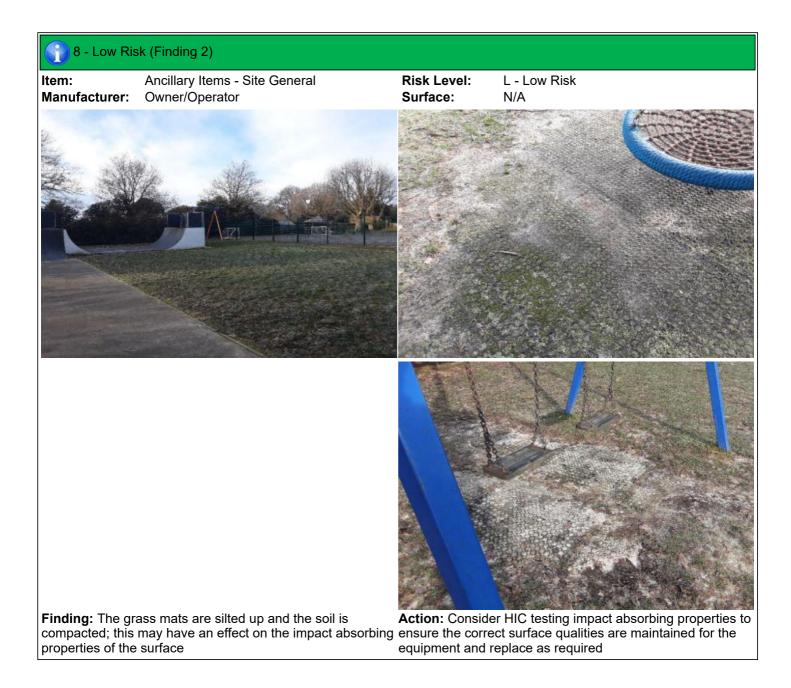
The kicker plate protrudes more than 5mm above the surrounding surface level, BS EN 14974 recommends a maximum of 5mm with 3mm preferred - Adjust height to ensure a maximum of 5mm change in level



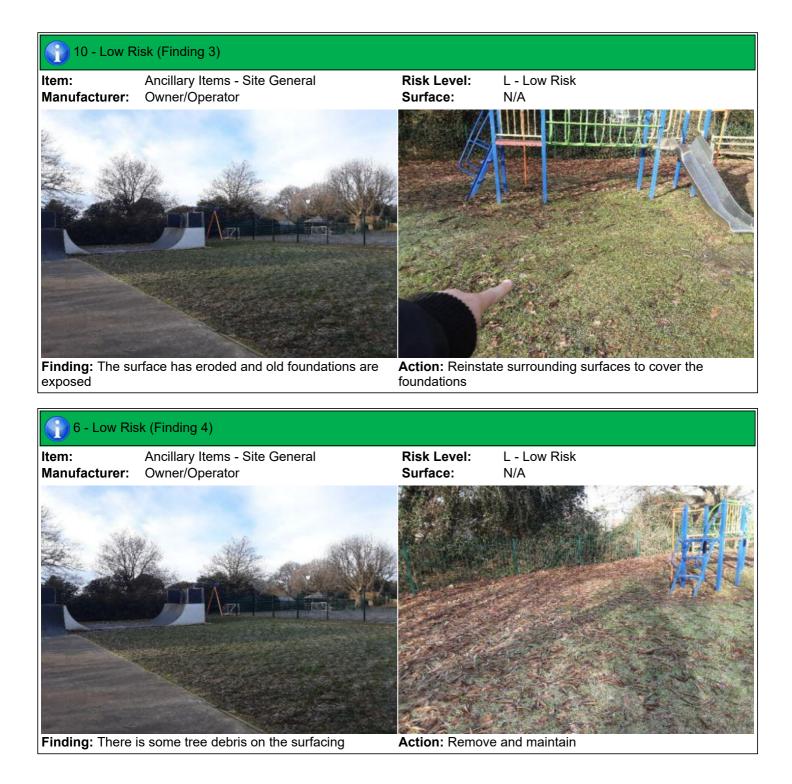
# **Findings information**













sk (Finding 1)		
Gates - Gate - Self Closing Owner/Operator	Risk Level: Surface:	L - Low Risk Grass
f closing mechanism is missing	Action: Replace	e all missing components
sk (Finding 2)		
Gates - Gate - Self Closing Owner/Operator	Risk Level: Surface:	L - Low Risk Grass
	Owner/Operator   Owner/Operator   Image: Strest of Closing   Gates - Gate - Self Closing	Gates - Gate - Self Closing Owner/Operator       Risk Level: Surface:         Image: Constraint of the second of the s

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

Action: Where possible a 12mm gap should be provided on both sides or between the gate leaves



### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Manufacturer:

Gates - Gate - Self Closing Owner/Operator

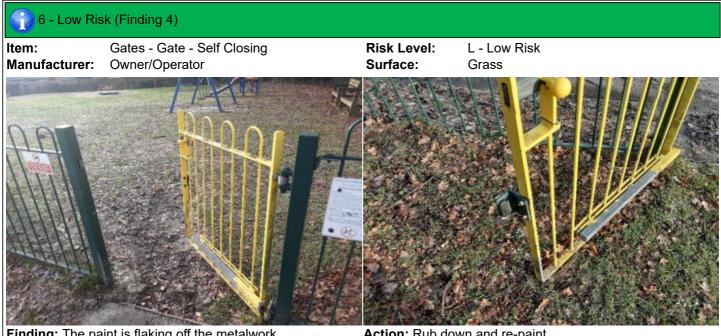
**Risk Level:** Surface:

L - Low Risk Grass



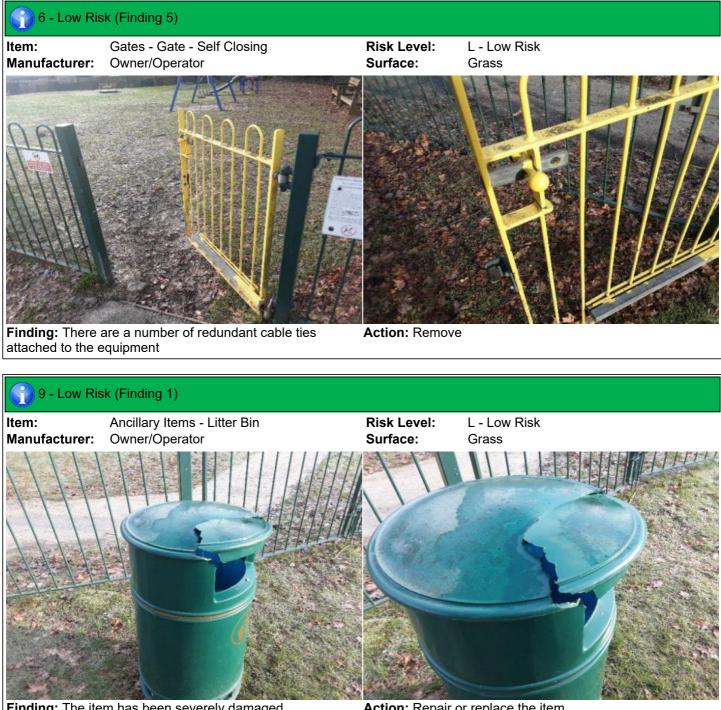
Finding: The area under the gate has eroded leaving uneven areas, or the concrete foundations exposed, resulting in trip hazards at the entrance/exit to the playground

Action: Reinstate to level with surrounding surfaces



Action: Rub down and re-paint

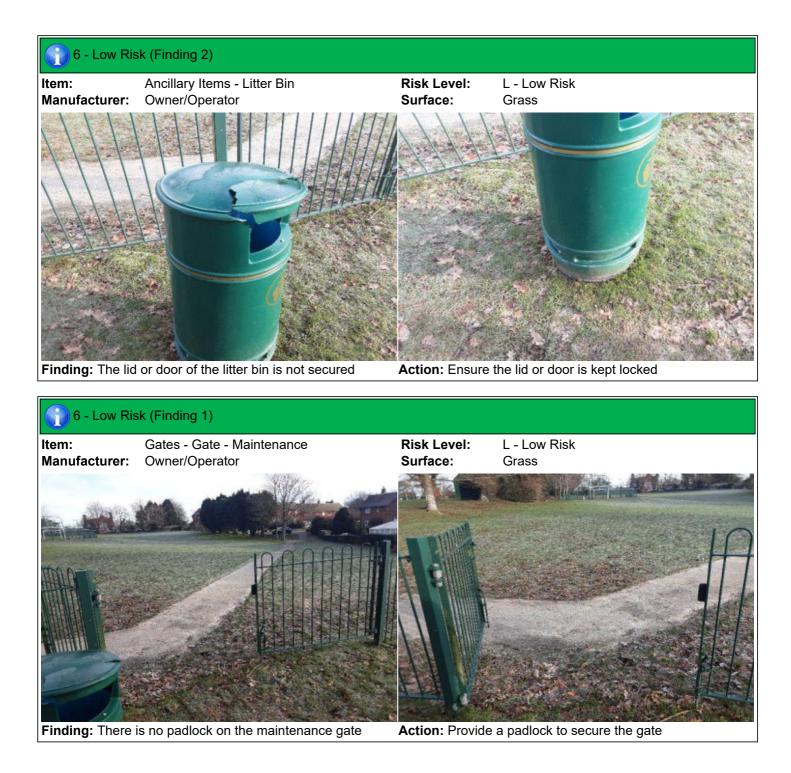




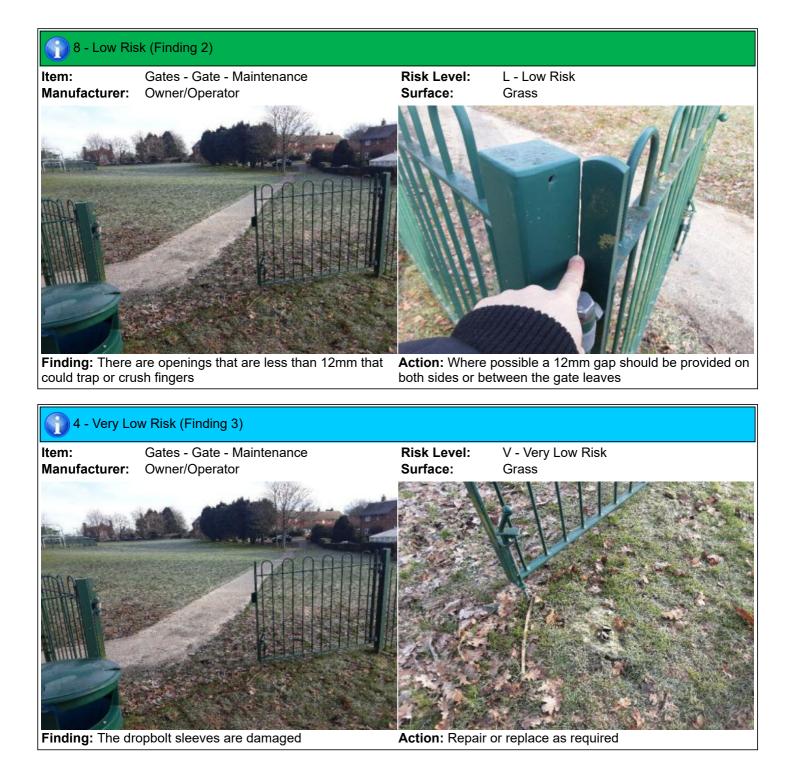
Finding: The item has been severely damaged

Action: Repair or replace the item





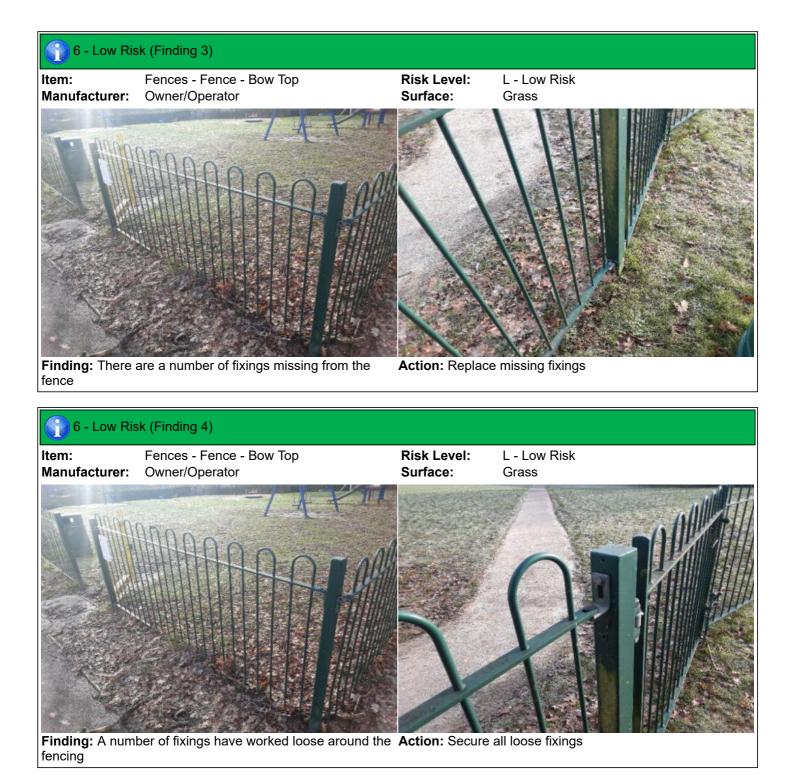


















#### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Anci Manufacturer: Own

Ancillary Items - Bench Owner/Operator



Action: Secure to the ground

L - Low Risk 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

### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)



Finding: The safety surface around the area is beginning to Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



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



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







# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4) Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1 **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk Item: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: Wet Pour Manufacturer: 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 5) V - Very Low Risk Item: Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1 **Risk Level:** Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: Wet Pour

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



6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

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# Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1 **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk Item: Wicksteed Playgrounds Wet Pour Manufacturer: Surface: Finding: There is some wear to the shackles. Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace when 40% worn 8 - Low Risk (Finding 7) Swings - 1 Bay 1 Seat (Cradle) - Type 1 Item: **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: Wet Pour

Finding: There is moderate damage to the surface

Action: Repair the damaged areas of surfacing







# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring CamelManufacturer:Ledon

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



Finding: The item has been damaged

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring CamelManufacturer:Ledon

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



**Finding:** The end of handgrips and/or footrests have a cross **Action:** Monitor - No remedial work recommended section of less than 15cm2 and fail to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 6



# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

**Rocking Equipment - Spring Camel** Item: Manufacturer: Ledon

Risk Level: Surface:

V - Very Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles



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

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: **Rocking Equipment - Spring Camel** Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Ledon Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** 

Finding: There is moderate damage to the surface

Action: Repair the damaged areas of surfacing



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring CamelManufacturer:Ledon

Risk Level: Surface: L - Low Risk 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



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring HorseManufacturer:Ledon

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



**Finding:** The end of handgrips and/or footrests have a cross **Action:** Monitor - No remedial work recommended section of less than 15cm2 and fail to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 6

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring HorseManufacturer:Ledon

Risk Level: Surface: L - Low Risk 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



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring HorseManufacturer:Ledon

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



Finding: The item has been damaged

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Rocking Equipment - Spring HorseManufacturer:Ledon

Risk Level: Surface: V - Very Low Risk 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 2)



Finding: There is weed / vegetation growth on, between, or Action: Remove weed / vegetation growth around the edges of the surfacing

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3) Item: Rotor Play - Roundabout Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: Wet Pour

Finding: The safety surface around the area is beginning to Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as wear required



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

Item:



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

8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)			
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Finding: There	are trip hazards at the edges of the surface	Action: Reinsta	te surrounding surface levels to remove the
	-	trip points	-



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item:



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

L - Low Risk

Wet Pour

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Manufacturer: Rotor Play - Roundabout Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: Surface:

L - Low Risk Wet Pour



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

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended



# 10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Swings - Cantilever Swing - Type 3 Item: Miracle Recreation Equipment Company Manufacturer:



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)

0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 2)

**Risk Level:** Surface:

L - Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles



Action: Adjust seat clearance



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti



# 10 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Swings - Cantilever Swing - Type 3 Item: Miracle Recreation Equipment Company Manufacturer:



Finding: The incorrect seat design has been installed on this swing; there are unique designs for Type 1 and Type 3 swings that provide differing impact attenuating properties to the leading edges of the seat and/or has incorrectly aligned seat eye fixings which will lead to accelerated wear.

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

Action: Consider replacing with the correct design seat



Finding: The bushes are worn or missing

12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 4)

Action: Replace worn or missing bushes



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item:Swings - Cantilever Swing - Type 3Manufacturer:Miracle Recreation Equipment Company

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





Finding: The swing seat connectors have some wear present

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

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item:Swings - Cantilever Swing - Type 3Manufacturer:Miracle Recreation Equipment Company

Risk Level: Surface:

L - Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear



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

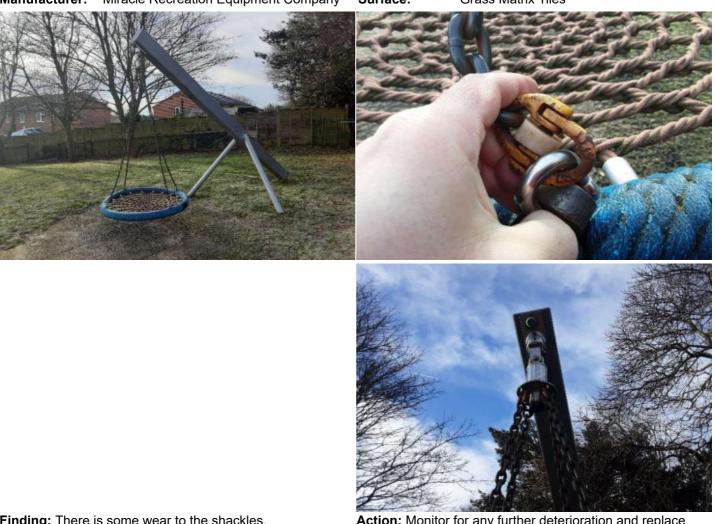


### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7) 8

Swings - Cantilever Swing - Type 3 Item: Miracle Recreation Equipment Company Manufacturer:

Risk Level: Surface:

L - Low Risk **Grass Matrix Tiles** 



Finding: There is some wear to the shackles.

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



# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 8)

Swings - Cantilever Swing - Type 3 Item: Miracle Recreation Equipment Company Manufacturer:

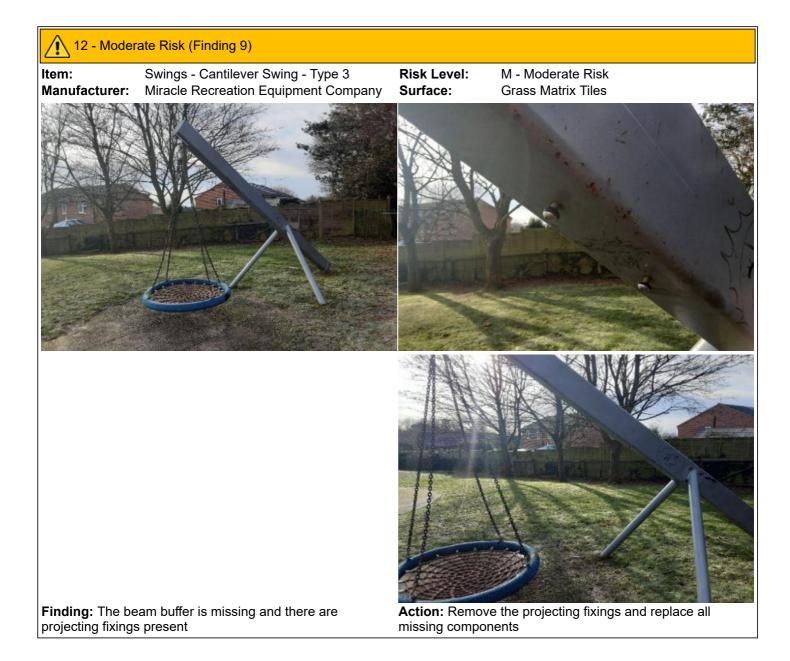
Risk Level: Surface:

V - Very Low Risk



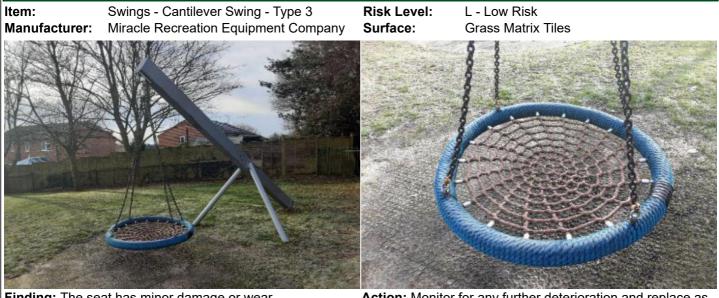
Finding: The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended recommended by BS EN 1176







### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 10) 4



Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)



**Finding:** The unit is easily accessible and has an opening in **Action:** Monitor - No remedial work recommended the barrier to steep play elements in excess of 500mm in contravention of BS EN 1176 Part 1

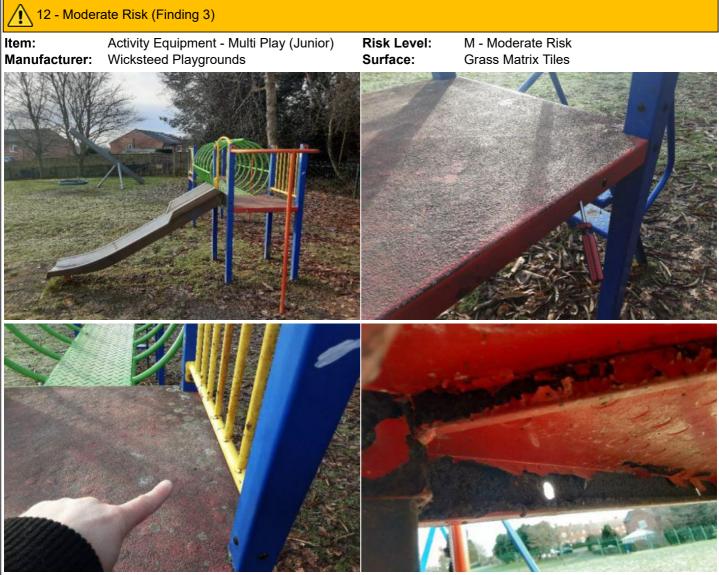


# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)



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





**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



# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4) V - Very Low Risk Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: Item: Wicksteed Playgrounds Grass Matrix Tiles Manufacturer: Surface: Finding: The height of the barrier(s) is insufficient and fails Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5) Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Wicksteed Playgrounds Surface: **Grass Matrix Tiles** Manufacturer:

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

Action: Clean and treat appropriately





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 8)

 Item:
 Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
 Risk Level:
 L - Low Risk

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 Risk Level:
 L - Low Risk

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Finding: The fixings have corroded excessively

Action: Replace all corroded fixings

# ) 8 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

 Item:
 Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
 Risk Level:
 L - Low Risk

 Manufacturer:
 Wicksteed Playgrounds
 Surface:
 Grass Matrix Tiles



Finding: There are projecting bolt thread(s) present

Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles

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# 😭 8 - Low Risk (Finding 10)



Finding: There is some graffiti present

Action: Remove the graffiti



# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Swin Manufacturer: Whe

Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Wheelscape Ltd

Risk Level: Surface: L - Low Risk 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 4)

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

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



Finding: The swing seat connectors are loose

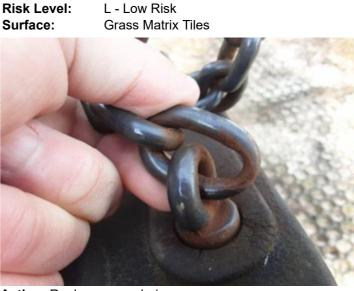
Action: Tighten to secure

# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

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



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



Action: Replace worn chains



# 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Manufacturer: Wheelscape Ltd Risk Level: Surface: V - Very Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles



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





# 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 8)

Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Manufacturer: Wheelscape Ltd Risk Level: Surface: V - Very Low Risk Grass Matrix Tiles



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

# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

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

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



Finding: The swing seat connectors have some wear present

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



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 10)

Item: Swir Manufacturer: Whe

Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Wheelscape Ltd

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



Finding: The seat has minor damage or wear

8 - Low Risk (Finding 11)

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

# Item: Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat) Risk Level: L - Low Risk Manufacturer: Wheelscape Ltd Surface: Grass Matrix Tiles

Finding: The fixings have corroded excessively

Action: Replace all corroded fixings



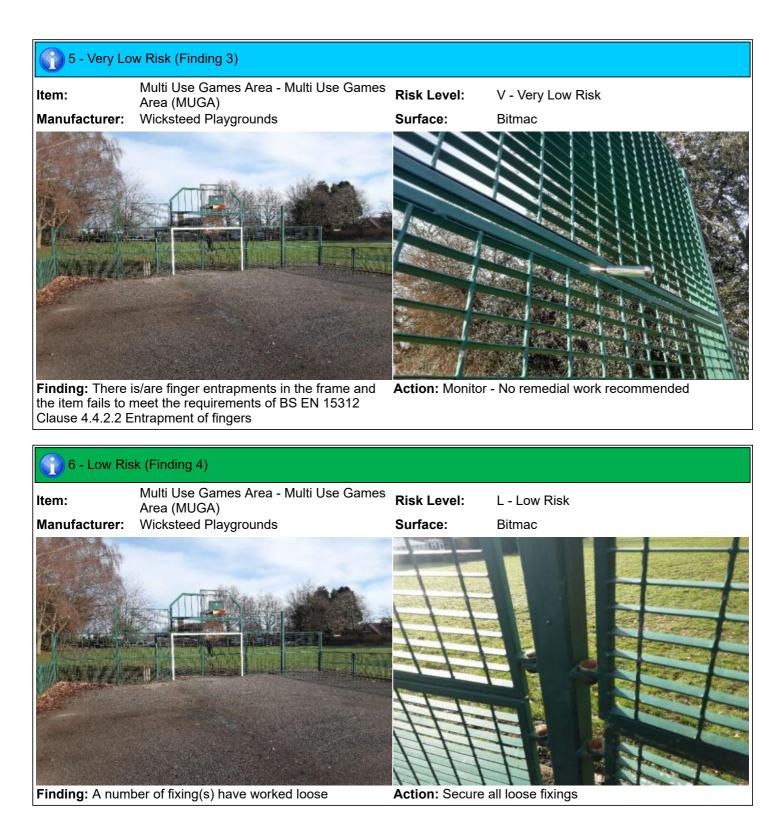


**Finding:** The surface is crumbing in areas creating slippery **Action:** Sweep and clear all loose debris and monitor conditions



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

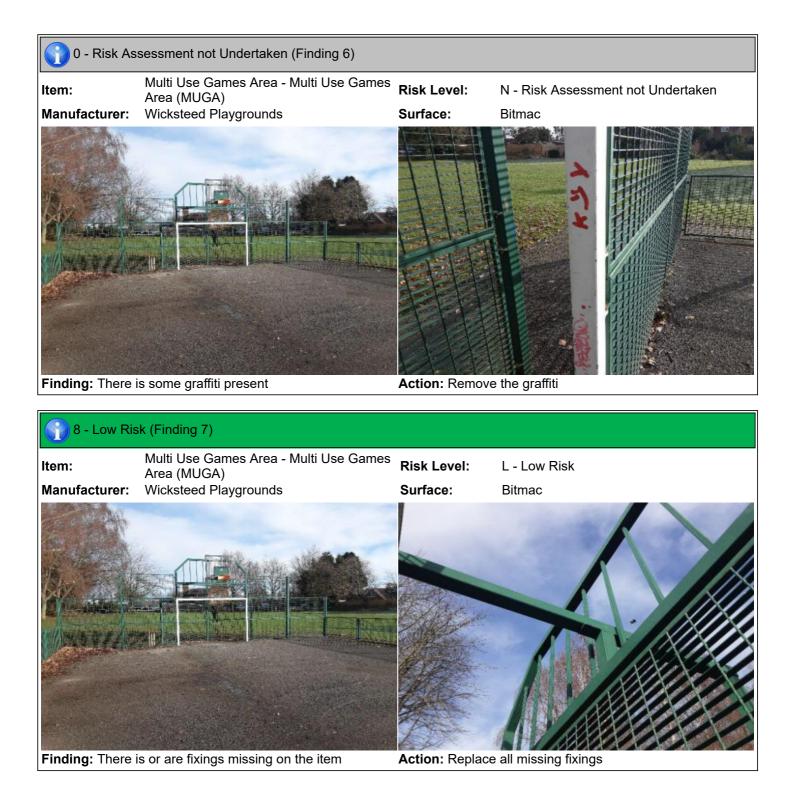




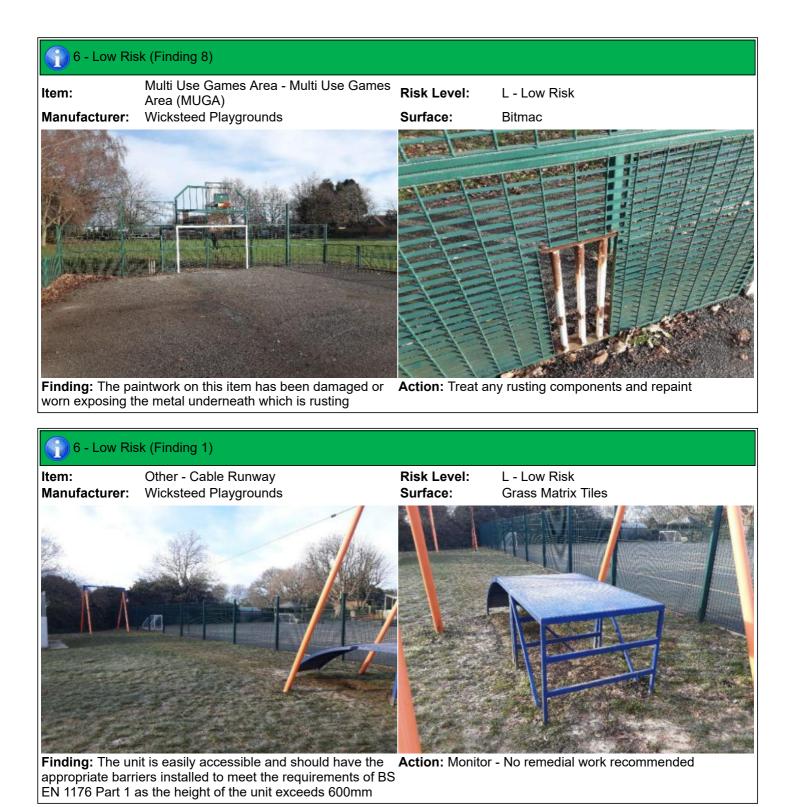












Annual Inspection for Ninfield Parish Council at The Recreation Ground Church Lane, Ninfield, Inspected on the 17-January-2023 - 09:51



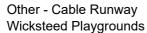


**Finding:** The seat is less than 2.0 metres from the post when extended at 45 degrees at the end of the area of travel minimum distance is maintained and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 4



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)





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

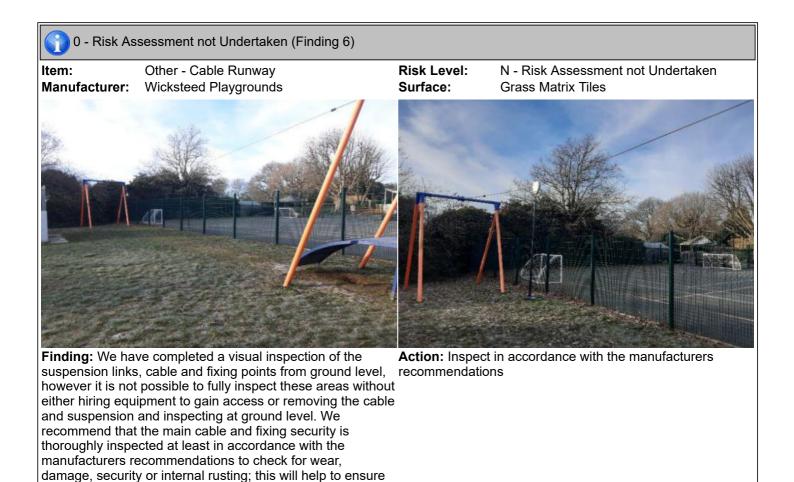


Finding: The cableway seat has been damaged

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required







the continued safe use of the equipment



# 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Manufacturer:

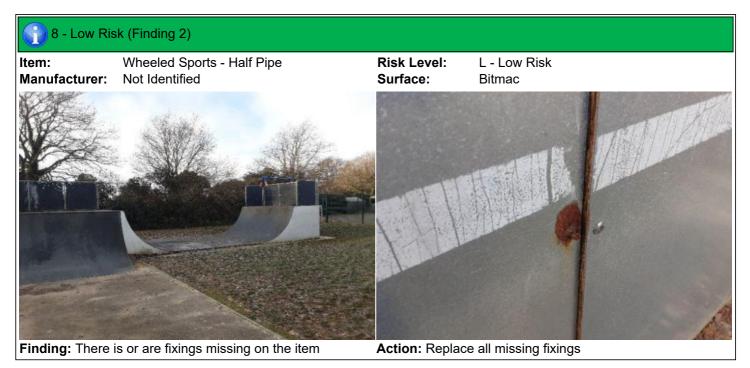
Wheeled Sports - Half Pipe Not Identified

**Risk Level:** Surface:

L - Low Risk Bitmac



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





# 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1) 4 Wheeled Sports - Quarter Pipe L - Low Risk **Risk Level:** Item: Manufacturer: Not Identified Surface: Bitmac

**Finding:** The kicker plate protrudes more than 5mm above **Action:** Adjust height to ensure a maximum of 5mm change the surrounding surface level, BS EN 14974 recommends a in level maximum of 5mm with 3mm preferred