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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)	✓	✓ [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).



Sun Hill Recreation Ground (New Alresford)

Inspection Ref: 2312574

Site Ref: 48015

Inspected: 11-March-2024 - 15:10 by Dom Park (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.

i 8 - 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: 1



Finding 1

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

i 6 - 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

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

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Kissing Gate
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 2

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

Cable ties have been used on the item and there are sharp projecting ends - Remove if not required or replace with a more appropriate alternative fixing method if used as a fixing

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Gate - Maintenance
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 2

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

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



i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Fence - Bow Top
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

There is some damage to the fence sections - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as 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 6 - Low Risk

Item: Bench
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 2
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A

Total Findings: 3



Finding 1

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

Finding 3

There is/are inserts missing - Replace missing inserts

Finding 2

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

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 8

Finding 1

The shackles have been overtightened or seized transferring wear to the chain links below - Loosen shackles to ensure free movement at the pivot

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

There is excess grease on the shackle - Remove

Finding 4

The split pins are missing from the shackles - Insert split pins to secure the shackles

Finding 5

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 6

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

Finding 7

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

Finding 8

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

i 4 - Very Low Risk

Item: Swing Barrier
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 3
Equipment Compliance: N/A
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

This item is satisfactory - no work required -

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Carpet System
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

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

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Tyre Climber
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: No



Total Findings: 3

Finding 1

The tyres are losing their integrity - Replace as required

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

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

! 12 - Moderate Risk

Item: Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 15

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 3

The inspector is unable to ascertain if there are metal feet below ground supporting the timber posts, if there are not, then the majority of timber posts on the structure appear to have rotted - Investigate further and replace all affected timbers

Finding 4

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

Finding 5

There are splits in the timber running through fixing points and creating some instability in the structure - Replace all affected timber parts

Finding 6

The adjacent foliage is overhanging - Cut back and maintain

Finding 7

The access ramp height is greater than 600mm and the angle of ascent is less than 38 degrees. Barriers or guardrails are required to comply with the requirements BS EN 1176 - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 8

The item has missing component(s) leaving a trip hazard - Replace missing components

Finding 9

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

Finding 10

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

Finding 11

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the slide starting section 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 12

There is / are toggle entrapment/s present in contravention of the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176 Part 3 - Monitor - no remedial work recommended

Finding 13

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

Finding 14

The fixings have corroded excessively - Replace all corroded fixings

Finding 15

NOTE: This item is coming towards to, or is at the end of its shelf life - Consider removal and replacement of this item

10 - Low Risk

Item: Climbing Post
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes

Total Findings: 4



Finding 1

The anchor bar and protruding bracket form hard objects within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - Provide an appropriate impact absorbing surface on the bar

Finding 2

This item of equipment relies on a single post, or a line of posts, for stability and extra care needs to be taken with equipment of this nature to avoid the potential for catastrophic failure; it has been checked at the time of inspection however its important that particular attention is applied on all interim inspections - Ensure that regular detailed inspections are undertaken to assess for rot, corrosion and general stability

Finding 3

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

Finding 4

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

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Balance Beam
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 4

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

Finding 3

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

Finding 4

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

i 6 - Low Risk

Item: Rocking Horse
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 3

Finding 1

There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving parts (possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176 Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

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



i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Ball Shoot
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: Yes
Surface Area Compliance: N/A



Total Findings: 2

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

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

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds
Surface Type: Grass Matrix Tiles
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: No



Total Findings: 9

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

Finding 3

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

Finding 4

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

Finding 5

The seat connection cannot be inspected without dismantling the seat - Dismantle the seat to inspect the seat connection for wear

Finding 6

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

Finding 7

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

Finding 8

The item of equipment has a fall height exceeding 1.50 metres (1.7m) and grass has been provided as a safety surface, in contravention of the applicable standard (NOTE - Well maintained grass is only suitable for fall heights of upto 1.50m) - Monitor - no remedial action recommended

Finding 9

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

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Train
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 3

Finding 1

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

Finding 2

The item has exposed edges and corners that are sharp, or with a radius of less than 3mm, and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - 4.2.5 - Provide a 3mm radius to all exposed edges and corners, or remove sharp edge

Finding 3

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

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Playhouse
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Surface Type: Grass
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 3

Finding 1

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Finding 2

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

Finding 3

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

i 8 - Low Risk

Item: Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Dylan Group Ltd
Surface Type: Wet Pour
Item Quantity: 1
Equipment Compliance: No
Surface Area Compliance: Yes



Total Findings: 1

Finding 1

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor - No remedial work recommended

Findings information

8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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



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

6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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



Finding: There is some damage to the item
Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Gates - Kissing Gate
Manufacturer: Not Identified

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



Finding: The rubber buffer is missing from the latch plate

Action: Replace rubber buffer

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Gates - Kissing Gate
Manufacturer: Not Identified

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



Finding: Cable ties have been used on the item and there are sharp projecting ends

Action: Remove if not required or replace with a more appropriate alternative fixing method if used as a fixing

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

Action: Provide drop bolt sleeves and/or drop bolts

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Gates - Gate - Maintenance
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is no padlock on the maintenance gate

Action: Provide a padlock to secure the gate

6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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




Finding: There is some damage to the fence sections

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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




Finding: There are gaps opening in between the tiles

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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



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

4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Ancillary Items - Bench
Manufacturer: Not Identified
Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is/are inserts missing
Action: Replace missing inserts

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The shackles have been overtightened or seized transferring wear to the chain links below

Action: Loosen shackles to ensure free movement at the pivot

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is some wear to the shackles.

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is excess grease on the shackle

Action: Remove

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The split pins are missing from the shackles

Action: Insert split pins to secure the shackles

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

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

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



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 - No remedial work recommended

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 6)

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

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is some notable evidence of connecting link wear

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

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

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Carpet System



Finding: The safety surface around the area is beginning to wear

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Tyre Climber
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The tyres are losing their integrity

Action: Replace as required

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Tyre Climber
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

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 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Tyre Climber
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

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



Finding: There is some minor damage to the surface

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



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

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

! 12 - Moderate Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: M - Moderate Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The inspector is unable to ascertain if there are metal feet below ground supporting the timber posts, if there are not, then the majority of timber posts on the structure appear to have rotted

Action: Investigate further and replace all affected timbers

i 9 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



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

Action: Replace all affected timbers

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There are splits in the timber running through fixing points and creating some instability in the structure
Action: Replace all affected timber parts

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The adjacent foliage is overhanging
Action: Cut back and maintain

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The access ramp height is greater than 600mm and the angle of ascent is less than 38 degrees. Barriers or guardrails are required to comply with the requirements BS EN 1176

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The item has missing component(s) leaving a trip hazard

Action: Replace missing components

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: 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

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 10)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



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

Action: Clean and treat appropriately

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 11)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: There is/are finger entrapment/s in the slide starting section 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 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 12)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: There is / are toggle entrapment/s present in contravention of the recommendations set out in BS EN 1176 Part 3

Action: Monitor - no remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 13)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



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

Action: Treat affected areas and repaint

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 14)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The fixings have corroded excessively

Action: Replace all corroded fixings

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 15)

Item: Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: NOTE: This item is coming towards to, or is at the end of its shelf life
Action: Consider removal and replacement of this item

i 10 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Post
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: The anchor bar and protruding bracket form hard objects within the falling space of the equipment in contravention of the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1
Action: Provide an appropriate impact absorbing surface on the bar

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Post
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

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



Finding: This item of equipment relies on a single post, or a line of posts, for stability and extra care needs to be taken with equipment of this nature to avoid the potential for catastrophic failure; it has been checked at the time of inspection however its important that particular attention is applied on all interim inspections

Action: Ensure that regular detailed inspections are undertaken to assess for rot, corrosion and general stability

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Post
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



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

Action: Treat affected areas and repaint

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Climbing Post
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is surface corrosion / rust present on the item

Action: Consider treating the item

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Balance Beam
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some damage to the item

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Balance Beam
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some strimmer / machinery damage apparent on the posts, this can penetrate the preservative applied to the timber and accelerate the rotting process

Action: Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Balance Beam
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: Parts of the timber are rough or splintered

Action: Remove all rough or sharp edges

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Activity Equipment - Balance Beam
Manufacturer: Lappset UK Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Rocking Equipment - Rocking Horse
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: There is no gaiter protection for accessible moving parts (possible shear trap) as recommended in BS EN 1176 Part 1; 4.2.6 Moving Parts

Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Rocking Equipment - Rocking Horse
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is some evidence of rot in the timber

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Rocking Equipment - Rocking Horse
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



Finding: There is some damage to the item

Action: Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Ball Shoot
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed

Action: Reinststate surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Ball Shoot
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

Action: Reinstate eroded area

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 1)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



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

Action: Reinststate eroded area

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: There are gaps opening between the grass mat tiles

Action: Provide additional ties or secure / reinststate surface

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



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

Action: Contact our office for a quotation for this service

i 0 - Risk Assessment not Undertaken (Finding 5)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



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

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: There is some notable evidence of chain wear

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

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



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 8)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



Finding: The item of equipment has a fall height exceeding 1.50 metres (1.7m) and grass has been provided as a safety surface, in contravention of the applicable standard (NOTE - Well maintained grass is only suitable for fall heights of upto 1.50m)
Action: Monitor - no remedial action recommended

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 9)

Item: Other - Cable Runway
Manufacturer: Wicksteed Playgrounds

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



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

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Train
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

Action: Reinststate eroded area

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Train
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The item has exposed edges and corners that are sharp, or with a radius of less than 3mm, and does not meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 - 4.2.5

Action: Provide a 3mm radius to all exposed edges and corners, or remove sharp edge

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Train
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



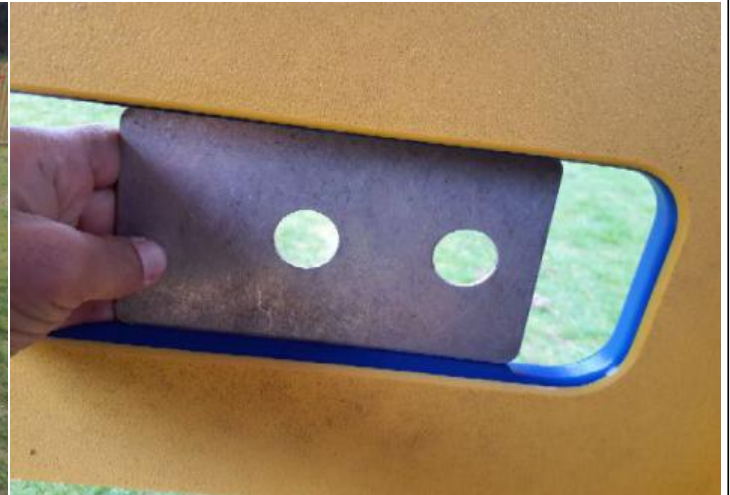
Finding: The grass has eroded within the impact area of the equipment leaving a large hole and may not provide the necessary impact attenuating properties for the equipment fall height; the surface may also be slippery in wet weather

Action: Reinststate the grass or provide an all weather surface

i 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Activity Equipment - Playhouse
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: V - Very Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps
Action: Monitor - No remedial work recommended

i 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

Item: Activity Equipment - Playhouse
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



Finding: A number of fixing(s) have worked loose
Action: Secure all loose fixings

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

Item: Activity Equipment - Playhouse
Manufacturer: Not Identified

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Grass



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

Action: Reinststate eroded area

i 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

Item: Swings - Basket Swing - Type 1
Manufacturer: Dylan Group Ltd

Risk Level: L - Low Risk
Surface: Wet Pour



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 - No remedial work recommended