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Playing Field Safety Risk Assessment

Mollington Playing Field						
Risk	Play Safety risk score	Mitigation (see notes below)	Councillor	Impact	Likelihood after mitigation	Score
Seating gaps between the slats exceed 30 mm and may cause entrapments.	4	Monitor	JS ongoing	2 Minor	2 unlikely	4 Low
Signage is dirty or algae covered	3	Clean	JS complete	4 Insignificant	1 Rare	1 Low
Shelter Cap missing	5	Replace cap	JS complete	2 Minor	1 Rare	2 Low
All areas Loose fill surfacing below recommended level	7	Top up bark level and rake regularly Top up March/April 2023	JS complete/ongoing	2 Minor	3 Moderate	6 Low
Goal post corrosion Loose in the ground Worn ground around the goal post	5 6 5	Treat and repair Consider resetting after winter 2022/23	Minor No further action as risk low No further action as risk low	2 Minor	3 Moderate	6 Low
Multiplay cap missing	5	Replace	No further action as replacement part not available. Missing caps to be taped over taped over	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low
Multiplay bolts loose	10	Tighten	JS complete	3 Moderate	1 Rare	3 Low
Dirty or algae covered	6	Clean	No further action at this time as risk low and would need to hire a commercial cleaner/company	3 Moderate	2 Unlikely	6 Low

Multiplay Laminate damaged.	5	Rub down and treat damaged edges. Consider replacement platforms in due course	JS ongoing	1 Insignificant	3 Moderate	3 Low
All areas edging boards damaged/missing	5	Repair	No further action as damaged by users and risk does not warrant replacement	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low
Multiplay weeds	7	Remove	PJ complete	1 Insignificant	1 Rare	1 Low
Multiplay supports are within the falling or free space area.	5	Monitor	Ongoing	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low
Runway cap missing	5	Replace	No further action as replacement part not available. Missing caps taped over	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low
Runway Laminate damaged	5	Monitor Consider replacement platforms in due course	Ongoing	1 Insignificant	1 Rare	1 Low
Runway deck is rotting and pulling through the fixings	10	Monitor and check	Ongoing and replace when necessary. Consider replacement platforms in due course	3 Moderate	3 Moderate	9 Medium
Swing Chain covers prevent a thorough inspection of all chain links.	8	Remove chain covers to inspect according to manufacturer's instructions.	JS visual inspection on an ongoing basis	2 Minor	3 Moderate	6 Low
Swing	6	Dismantle and inspect according to manufacturer's instructions.	Ongoing monitoring Low risk	2 Minor	3 Moderate	6 Low
Swing geo-textile is exposed	8	Top up bark level and rake regularly	JS complete/ongoing	1 Insignificant	3 Moderate	3 Low

Orchard Piece Playing Field						
Risk	Play Safety risk score	Mitigation (see notes below)	Councillor	Severity	Likelihood after mitigation	Score
Fencing minor repairs	5	Repair	SL replace damaged sections	1 Insignificant	3 Moderate	3 Low
Pathways grass requires cutting	6	Cut	PJ complete but consider box cut of the new path	4 Insignificant	3 Moderate	3 Low
Seating log benches	9	Replace	SL/PJ remove	4 Insignificant	1 Rare	1 Low
Multiplay with slide	6	Maintain grass in good condition	SL monitor	3 Moderate	2 Unlikely	6 Low
Hard or sharp projections on steps	6	Remove	GH/ Everything Hedges Remove steps and extend barrier around the top of the steps	1 Insignificant	1 Rare	1 Low
Loose in ground	9	Reset	Slide tower support loose consider replacing	3 Moderate	3 Moderate	9 Medium
Encroaching vegetation and trees	8	Remove	TF to spray for weeds and cut back any overhanging trees	3 Moderate	3 Moderate	9 Medium
Timber decaying	10	Replace support posts Monitor barrier slats	May need to consider removal of the equipment if replacement not affordable	3 Moderate	3 Moderate	9 Medium
Spacing between barriers >89mm	6	Retrospective changes not necessary	Monitor	3 Moderate	2 Unlikely	6 Low
Screw heads protruding on slide	5	Remove	SL Tighten screws	3 Moderate	2 Rare	6 Low
Timber decaying around platform	7	Replace as necessary	GH/ Everything Hedges	3 Moderate	2 Rare	6 Low
Timber decaying on steps	7	Replace	GH/ Everything Hedges Remove and extend	4 Insignificant	1 Rare	1 Low

			barrier around top of steps			
Rocker Horse Laminate damaged	5	Rub down and treat	SL	1 Insignificant	3 Moderate	3 Low
Rocker Horse protruding handles/foot rests	3		SL monitor	1 Insignificant	3 Moderate	3 Low
Swing surface compacted or displaced	8	Rake and fork and top up	SL rake and fork top to avoid need to top up	2 Minor	3 Moderate	6 Low
Swing Bird fouling present	5	Clean and disinfect	Regular cleaning and disinfection of contact points/parts	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low
Climber protective surface to be kept in good condition	8	8	SL Monitor	2 Minor	3 Moderate	6 Low
Stumps protruding above ground level			PJ/SL to chop out residual stumps	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low
Adult fitness	5	Moving parts require greasing	Apply lubricant per Wicksteed instructions	2 Minor	2 Unlikely	4 Low

Notes

1. Risk assessment is based on a scale of 1-5 for both impact and likelihood. Multiply together to create the risk score.
2. Mitigation cannot remove the risk but reduces the likelihood of it occurring.
3. The only way to create a zero score is to remove the risk entirely by closing/removing the item of equipment or the playing fields.