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## Annual Inspection

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# Risk Assessment Matrix

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

Severity>>

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

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

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

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

## Site Information

Inspection Ref: 452522

Site Ref: 16529

Customer Order No: None

Annual Inspection - 03 August 2017 at 14:57 Inspector: Robert Baldock (RPII Annual Inspector)

Risk Assessment: **10 - Low Risk**



**Location:** The site is located in an area of public open space and is not directly overlooked by any 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.



## 6 - Low Risk

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



### Finding 1

There is some strimmer 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 2

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

### Finding 3

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



## 6 - Low Risk

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



### Finding 1

There is some strimmer 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



## 6 - Low Risk

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



### Finding 1

There is some strimmer 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 2

The item is slightly loose in its foundations - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



## 2 - Very Low Risk

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



### Finding 1

There is no liner present in the litterbin - Provide as required



## 10 - Low Risk

**Item:** Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds  
**Surface Type:** Grass Matrix Tiles  
**Equipment Compliance:** No  
**Surface Area Compliance:** Yes  
**Ref/Part Number:**  
**Total Findings:** 6



### Finding 1

The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas - Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required

### Finding 2

There is some strimmer 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

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

### Finding 4

The bushes are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

### Finding 5

The chain openings are in excess of the 8.6mm as recommended by BS EN 1176 - Monitor use

### Finding 6

The seat is severely damaged and requires replacing - Replace damaged seat



## 6 - Low Risk

**Item:** Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Cradle)  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds  
**Surface Type:** Grass Matrix Tiles  
**Equipment Compliance:** No  
**Surface Area Compliance:** Yes  
**Ref/Part Number:**  
**Total Findings:** 4



### Finding 1

The tree canopy overhangs the equipment and is less than 2.0m away - Lift tree canopy to ensure a minimum clearance of 2.0m from the equipment

### Finding 2

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor use

### Finding 3

The bushes are showing signs of wear - Monitor for any further deterioration and replace as required

### Finding 4

There is some strimmer 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



## 8 - Low Risk

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds  
**Surface Type:** Grass Matrix Tiles  
**Equipment Compliance:** No  
**Surface Area Compliance:** Yes  
**Ref/Part Number:**  
**Total Findings:** 5



### Finding 1

There is some strimmer 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 2

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

### Finding 3

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

### Finding 4

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the top of the slide and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor use

### Finding 5

The unit is easily accessible and should have the appropriate barriers installed as the height of the unit exceeds 600mm - Monitor use



## 8 - Low Risk

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds  
**Surface Type:** Grass Matrix Tiles  
**Equipment Compliance:** No  
**Surface Area Compliance:** Yes  
**Ref/Part Number:**  
**Total Findings:** 10



### Finding 1

There are falls in excess of 600mm between adjacent components on the structure - Monitor use

### Finding 2

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

### Finding 3

There is/are finger entrapment/s in the top of the ramp and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers - Monitor use

### Finding 4

The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains - Monitor use

### Finding 5

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

### Finding 6

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

### Finding 7

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

### Finding 8

There is some strimmer 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 9

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

### Finding 10

The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps - Monitor use

## Findings continued for Activity Equipment - Log Climber



### 8 - Low Risk

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator  
**Surface Type:** Grass  
**Equipment Compliance:** No  
**Surface Area Compliance:** Yes  
**Ref/Part Number:**  
**Total Findings:** 4



#### Finding 1

The surface has eroded in some areas - Reinststate the surface

#### Finding 2

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

#### Finding 3

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

#### Finding 4

The slide start section incline is not in the direction of travel; it should slope towards the direction of the sliding surface - Monitor use



## 6 - Low Risk

**Item:** Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)  
**Manufacturer:** Sport England  
**Surface Type:** Tarmac  
**Equipment Compliance:** Yes  
**Surface Area Compliance:** N/A  
**Ref/Part Number:**  
**Total Findings:** 1





### Finding 1

The backboard is damaged - Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required

## Findings Information

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**6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)**

<b>Item:</b>	Ancillary Items - Sign	<b>Risk Level:</b>	L - Low Risk
<b>Manufacturer:</b>	Owner/Operator	<b>Surface:</b>	N/A






**Finding:** There is some strimmer 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

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**6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)**

<b>Item:</b>	Ancillary Items - Sign	<b>Risk Level:</b>	L - Low Risk
<b>Manufacturer:</b>	Owner/Operator	<b>Surface:</b>	N/A

**Finding:** The item is slightly loose in its foundations

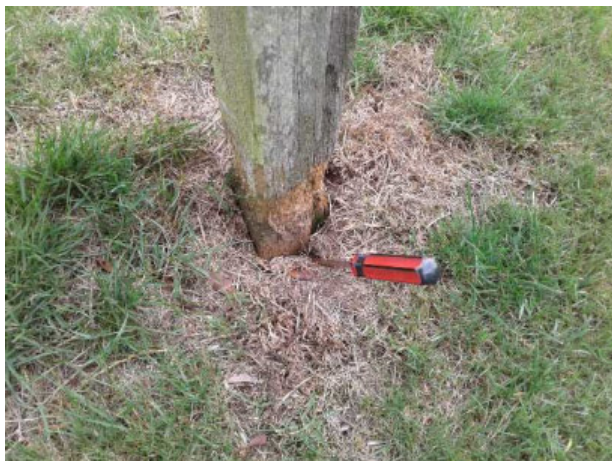
**Action:** Monitor for any further deterioration and repair as required



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

**Item:** Ancillary Items - Sign  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator

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



**Finding:** There is some evidence of rot in the timber

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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

**Item:** Ancillary Items - Bench  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator

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



**Finding:** There is some strimmer 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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

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



**Finding:** There is some strimmer 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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

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



**Finding:** The item is slightly loose in its foundations

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



## 2 - Very Low Risk (Finding 1)

**Item:** Ancillary Items - Litter Bin  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator

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



**Finding:** There is no liner present in the litterbin

**Action:** Provide as required



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

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



**Finding:** The timber has a number of air cracks apparent, the splits will have penetrated the preservative applied to the timber and allow water ingress to the unprotected areas

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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

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



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

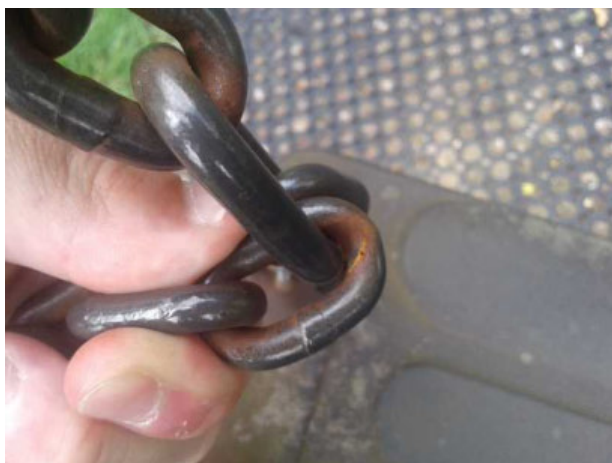
**Action:** Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

**Item:** Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure 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



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

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

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



**Finding:** The bushes are showing signs of wear

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



#### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 5)

**Item:** Swings - 1 Bay 2 Seat (Flat)  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure 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

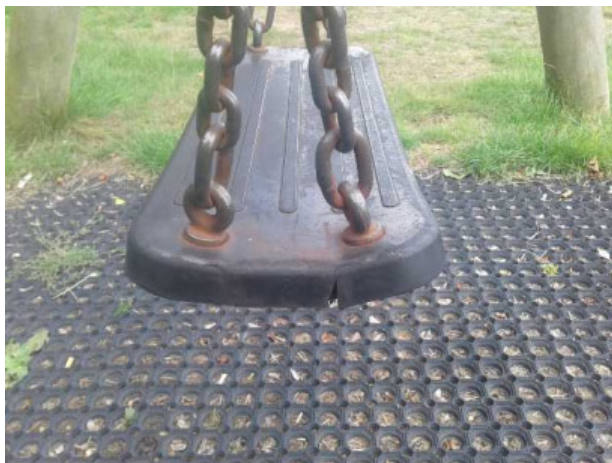
**Action:** Monitor use



## 10 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

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

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



**Finding:** The seat is severely damaged and requires replacing

**Action:** Replace damaged seat



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

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



**Finding:** The tree canopy overhangs the equipment and is less than 2.0m away

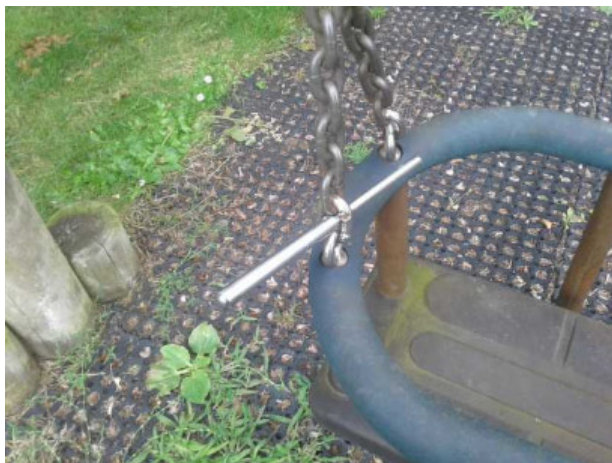
**Action:** Lift tree canopy to ensure a minimum clearance of 2.0m from the equipment



#### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

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



**Finding:** The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

**Action:** Monitor use



#### 4 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

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

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



**Finding:** The bushes are showing signs of wear

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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 4)

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

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



**Finding:** There is some strimmer 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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

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

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



**Finding:** There is some strimmer 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



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

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

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



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

**Action:** Clean and treat appropriately



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

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

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



**Finding:** There is some evidence of rot in the timber

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



#### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

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

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



**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s in the top of the slide and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers

**Action:** Monitor use



#### 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

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

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



**Finding:** The unit is easily accessible and should have the appropriate barriers installed as the height of the unit exceeds 600mm

**Action:** Monitor use



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



**Finding:** There are falls in excess of 600mm between adjacent components on the structure

**Action:** Monitor use



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



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

**Action:** Replace all affected timbers



### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 3)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



**Finding:** There is/are finger entrapment/s in the top of the ramp and the item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.6 Entrapment of fingers

**Action:** Monitor use



### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 4)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



**Finding:** The connecting links are in excess of 8.6mm and less than 12mm and fail the requirements of BS EN 1176: 2008 Part 1; clause 4.2.13, Chains

**Action:** Monitor use



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 5)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



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

**Action:** Clean and treat appropriately



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 6)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



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

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



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 7)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



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

**Action:** Replace missing or damaged bolt cap covers



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 8)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



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

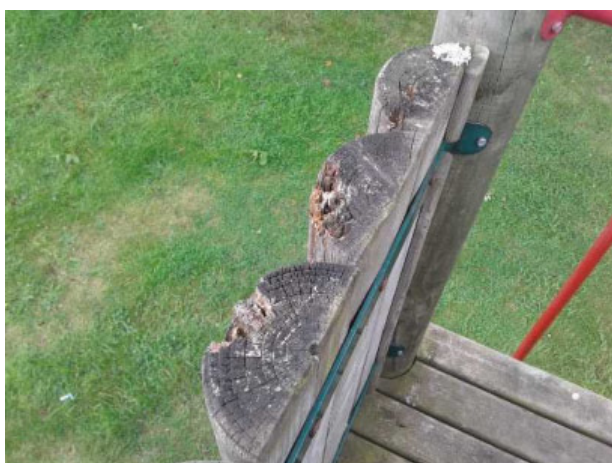
**Action:** Monitor for any deterioration (rot) and replace as required



## 6 - Low Risk (Finding 9)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



**Finding:** There is some evidence of rot in the timber

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



### 5 - Very Low Risk (Finding 10)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Log Climber  
**Manufacturer:** Adventure Playgrounds

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



**Finding:** The item fails to meet the requirements of BS EN 1176:2008 Part 1 4.2.7.2 head and neck entrapment in the barriers and/or steps

**Action:** Monitor use



### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator

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



**Finding:** The surface has eroded in some areas

**Action:** Reinstate the surface



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 2)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator **Surface:** Grass



**Finding:** There are areas or parts of the timber on the structure that have rotted **Action:** Replace all affected timbers



## 8 - Low Risk (Finding 3)

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior) **Risk Level:** L - Low Risk  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator **Surface:** Grass



**Finding:** The surface has eroded and the foundations are exposed **Action:** Reinstall surrounding surfaces to cover the foundations



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

**Item:** Activity Equipment - Multi Play (Junior)  
**Manufacturer:** Owner/Operator

**Risk Level:** V - Very Low Risk  
**Surface:** Grass



**Finding:** The slide start section incline is not in the direction of travel; it should slope towards the direction of the sliding surface

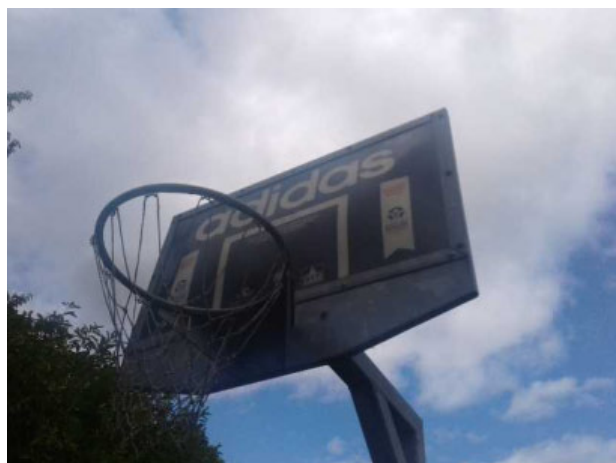
**Action:** Monitor use



#### 6 - Low Risk (Finding 1)

**Item:** Multi Use Games Area - Multi Use Games Area (MUGA)  
**Manufacturer:** Sport England

**Risk Level:** L - Low Risk  
**Surface:** Tarmac



**Finding:** The backboard is damaged

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