



NASH MILLS
PARISH COUNCIL

Playpark Risk Assessment v2

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Introduction

Nash Mills Parish Council have a small playpark on leased land at Bunkers Lane.

There is a separate Covid-19 playpark risk assessment in force to ensure compliance with insurance requirements and Govt guidelines.

Please note that the tables below may cause issues should you use a screen reader. They highlight the risk matrix used and can be made available in a different format if required.

Details to complete the Risk Assessment

STEP 1: Rate hazard - assign a letter from A to C to denote the SEVERITY of harm or consequence of the hazard

A death major injury major damage or major loss to property/equipment/corporate reputation	B serious over-3-day injury damage to property/equipment	C minor injury minor damage to property/equipment
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STEP 2: Rate risk/Likelihood - assign a number from 1 to 3 to denote the LIKELIHOOD of the event causing the risk to be realised

1 extremely likely to occur	2 frequent/often/likely to occur	3 slight chance of occurring
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STEP 3: Use the combination in the risk rating chart to link to the action criteria

Likelihood	Severity		
	Major = A	Serious = B	Slight = C
Extremely likely to occur = 1	A1	B1	C1
Likely to occur = 2	A2	B2	C2
Unlikely to occur = 3	A3	B3	C3

Action criteria:

VERY HIGH	Very high priority – Unacceptable risk: must receive attention - stop work activity or remove/reduce risk immediately
HIGH PRIORITY	High priority - Urgent: must receive attention as soon as possible to remove/reduce hazard or risk
MEDIUM / HIGH	Medium/high priority: Must receive attention to remove/reduce hazard or risk
MEDIUM	Medium priority: Should receive attention to remove/reduce hazard or risk
LOW	Low priority - remove/reduce hazard or risk after other priorities
VERY LOW	Very low priority - remove/reduce hazard or risk after other priorities

Area	Risk Identified	Rate Hazard	Rate Risk /Likelihood	Action Criteria	Assessment	Conclusion
All play equipment and surrounding area including perimeter trees, fence, gates.	Injury from damaged equipment Injury due to faulty gates Injury from overhanging trees.	B	3		Weekly inspections using Wicksteed proforma (appendix 1)	Warden to action and maintain diary folder of reports. Any faults to be advised to clerk by email immediately. Quarterly inspections undertaken by qualified external inspectors. Whilst perimeter and trees are land owner responsibility warden to check regularly and report back to clerk if issues arise.
Climbing Apparatus	Falls	B	2		Condition monitored weekly Grass matting in place under play apparatus	Warden to monitor condition and to report

	General injuries from using the equipment	B	3		Equipment complied with regulations at time of installation, equipment is inspected weekly by warden and quarterly by specialist.	Diary quarterly for park inspection by external provider All actions from report to be actioned/reported to NMPC
	Injury from damaged equipment	B	3		Equipment and seats inspected visually weekly and any faults dealt with immediately. Quarterly play inspection undertaken Inspection complies with BSEN 1176:2008	Warden to monitor See above Insurance in place Diary March for Ins renewal
Playground Equipment	Trip hazards on the approach to equipment	C	3		Visual inspection of area carried at time of other inspections	Warden to check weekly
Litter and Glass	Cuts/trip hazard	C	3		Inspection of the area and litter pick as required	Warden to monitor
Used Needles	Needle stick injury Blood borne viruses (HIV, Hepatitis B)	A	3		Inspection of the area and litter pick (identify measures for preventing needle stick injuries)	Warden to check Warden Risk Asses in place
Dog faeces	Infection, Toxicariasis Minor injury, abrasion, allergic reaction	A	3		Prevent dogs within play area with fences and gate Provide signage for No Dogs Inspection of the area and remove faeces	Warden to maintain Warden to remove faeces
Trees	Danger of falling branches	A	3		Warden conducts a weekly visual inspection. NMPC have recently commissioned a recent tree risk assessment to comply with insurance requirements as landowner had not included the play park in their schedule.	Clerk to be notified of any issues. Landowner have actioned recommendations from inspection. NMPC to ascertain exact programme of inspections at renewal of lease.