

Risk assessment: C & S PPFA Ltd

Play Area & Equipment

Assessment carried out by: Dinny Davies

Date assessment was carried out: 01/09/2023

Date of next review: 01/09/2024

Date signed off by committee: 28/11/2023

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are we already doing to control the risks?	What further action do we need to take to control the risks?	Who needs to carry out the action?	When is the action needed by?	Done
Slips, Trips & Falls e.g. falling from the equipment, slipping in the play area	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General public, users of the play area & maintenance personnel• Fall from swing, slide & roundabout	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play area is regularly inspected. Litter & debris is picked & disposed of.• Appropriate safety surfacing is installed under/around play equipment.• Young children are expected to be under the supervision of a responsible person	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Equipment Failure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General public, users of the play area & maintenance personnel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play equipment is inspected weekly by a PFA contractor.• ROSPA do an annual safety check and report which is then reviewed by the management committee.• Appropriate safety surfacing is installed under/around play equipment.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equipment suppliers or experienced contractors carry out installation & maintenance. 				
Impact	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General public, users of the play area & maintenance personnel Being hit by walking into the path of a moving piece of equipment, such as a swing or roundabout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The play equipment is all contained in one part of the field, so that users should be more aware of the hazards. There is a reasonable distance between pieces of equipment, so that someone using one piece of equipment should not be in danger from someone using another piece. The ground surrounding each piece of equipment is covered with safety surfacing, so any falls would be cushioned. Young children are expected to be under the supervision of a responsible person 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sandpit Dog and cat faeces, foreign objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children (and adults) playing in the sand Cut or hurt via sharp object Soiling by 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual inspections several times a week, removal of any foreign objects and/or animal faeces Disinfecting of sand by 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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	animal faeces	Northwich Town Council every three months. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notices saying no dogs on the playing fields 				
Accidental access to road and carpark	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children in the play area • Accidentally running into the car park or road 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metal railings separate the play area from the car park. • Metal railing and/or a hedge separate the play area from the road. • The gate leading from the play area from the road can't be accidentally pushed open by a toddler, it has to be pulled open. 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A