

CORONAVIRUS PLAY AREA RISK ASSESSMENT

Location: JPF Play area			Assessment Date: 30 July 2020		Assessed by: Revd Mr Michael Lennon/Phil Russell		
Activity	Hazard/Risk	Persons at risk	Controls in place	Severity (1-5)	Likelihood (1-5)	Risk Priority	Additional Controls
Play Area	Contact with persons suffering from coronavirus or with surfaces contaminated with COVID-19	Employees and public, especially children	<p>Play Areas to be re-opened on the 5th August 2020 following government guidance.</p> <p>.GOV.UK regulations prohibit the gathering of more than 6 people in an area. Notices will be put on all play areas to remind people to maintain social distancing and to return later if area busy.</p> <p>.GOV.UK advice says that the infection risk from COVID-19 following contamination of the environment decreases over time. It is not yet clear at what point there is no risk, but risk will reduce quicker outside where virus is exposed to rain and sunshine. Studies of other Coronaviruses suggest that in most circumstances, the risk is likely to be reduced significantly after 72 hours. To prevent the spread of COVID-19, all surfaces that a symptomatic person has come into significant contact with must be cleaned, including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All surfaces and objects which are visibly contaminated with body fluids; and • All potentially contaminated high-contact areas such as handles and grab rails. <p>However, symptomatic people should be following government guidelines and remain at home. Poster will include advice to not use equipment if showing signs of any of the symptoms.</p> <p>Due to the nature of play equipment, there will be a large number of surfaces and high contact areas that have the potential to be contaminated if used by someone with COVID-19. Notices displayed at play area advising people to frequently clean their hands. If we were to supply cleaning equipment, we</p>	5	2	10	<p>Guidance and recommended risk control measures will be sourced directly from the GOV.UK website wherever possible. https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-guidance-for-managing-playgrounds-and-outdoor-gyms/covid-19-guidance-for-managing-playgrounds-and-outdoor-gyms</p> <p>Control measures will be revised and updated when the latest government guidance is released. We will also follow guidance from NALC and the SLCC.</p>

			could not rely on carers, or older children playing unsupervised to clean the equipment after use or correctly dispose of the used cleaning materials. Our Lengthsmen will clean contact surfaces of the play equipment as frequently as staffing levels allow (spray clean Monday – Friday by 9:00am), but it is not possible to clean equipment between each user. Lengthsmen will be provided with appropriate PPE for cleaning. Posters will advise users to bring their own hand sanitiser gel or wipes. Litter bins are provided next to the play areas where tissues, etc. can be disposed of safely. Notices at each play area will remind people to dispose of rubbish responsibly.				
Play area	Safety of equipment following closure of play areas	Equipment Users	All equipment has undergone weekly safety testing as normal, so all equipment will be safe to use.	3	1	3	

Signed: *Michael Lennon*
Colwich Parish Clerk

SEVERITY (CONSEQUENCE)
1. Negligible (delay only)
2. Slight (minor injury / damage / interruption)
3. Moderate (lost time injury, illness, damage, lost business)
4. High (major injury / damage, lost time business interruption, disablement)
5. Very High (fatality / business closure)

LIKELIHOOD
1. Improbable / very unlikely
2. Unlikely
3. Even chance / may happen
4. Likely
5. Almost certain / imminent

RISK / PRIORITY INDICATOR MATRIX							
LIKELIHOOD	5	5	10	15	20	25	
	4	4	8	12	16	20	
	3	3	6	9	12	15	
	2	2	4	6	8	10	
	1	1	2	3	4	5	
	1	2	3	4	5		
		SEVERITY (CONSEQUENCE)					

SUMMARY		SUGGESTED TIMEFRAME
12-25	High	As soon as possible
6-10	Medium	Within the next three to six months
1-5	Low	Whenever viable to do so