**Alderton Parish Council Playground Risk Assessment May 2021**

**Site: Alderton Playing Field, Beckford Road, Alderton, Glos, GL20 8NL**

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| **Item** | **Hazard** | **Who might be at risk** | **Risk rating** | **Action required to reduce risk** |
| Climbing Apparatus | Falls from Climbing Apparatus | Public/users of the equipment | M | Suitable impact absorbing surfaces for fall height are installed.  Condition regularly monitored |
| Playground Equipment | General injuries from using the equipment | Public/users of the equipment | M | Equipment complied with regulations at time of installation, equipment is inspected annually |
|  | Injury from damaged equipment | Public/users of the equipment | M | Equipment and seats visually inspected regularly and any faults dealt with immediately. Annual play inspection undertaken. If immediate remedial action is required the Chair or Vice Chair of the Council will have delegated powers to close any piece of play equipment by either its removal, isolation or rendering harmless any dangers found. |
|  | Trip hazards on the approach to equipment | Public/users of the equipment | M | Visual inspection of area carried out at time of other inspections |
| Litter and glass | Minor injuries, cuts / abrasions | Public/users of the equipment | H | Inspection of the area and litter pick as required |
| Dog faeces | Infection, Toxicariasis | Public/users of the equipment | M | Inspection of the area and remove faeces |
| Trees, poisonous or thorny plants | Minor injury, abrasion, allergic reaction | Public/users of the equipment | M | Grounds maintenance in place which would identify any foreseeable risks from falling branches etc. Identify any plants known as being an irritant or a danger |
| Hard Surfaces/slips, trips and falls | Broken limbs, muscular skeletal and other physical injuries | Public/users of the equipment | M | Ensure that the play areas and patio are even and maintained/free of debris. Area periodically checked for uneven surfaces, etc. Any areas which become unsuitable will need to be coned off and placed out of bounds until repairs can be undertaken. |
| Patio Benches | Falling injury, bruises, grazes and cuts | Public/users of the equipment | L | Seats are secure with no loose screws, nails or splinters |
| Emergency Access | Entrance gates obstructed | Public/users of the equipment | L | Ensure vehicle access is free of obstruction and gate lock is operable. |
| Fencing | Insecure, damaged or sharp points | Public/users of the equipment | M | Visual inspection of area carried out at time of other inspections |

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