

## FAIRPLAY OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE RISK ASSESSMENT

### Promenade Park (Galleon and Play Area)/St Georges Field-Heybridge Basin

HAZARD	AT RISK	DEGREE OF RISK	ACTION TO CONTROL RISK	COMMENTS
<b>PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FAILURE</b>	<b>CLIENT OUTSIDE USER</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular checks for defects are carried out by Maldon District Council.</li> <li>Annual maintenance agreement in place and repairs undertaken where necessary.</li> </ul>	
<b>FALLS FROM CLIMBING APPARATUS</b>	<b>CLIENT</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Restrict and control numbers on apparatus at one time (specify the maximum number of pupils).</li> <li>Ensure that the equipment is appropriate for the age of the pupils using it. (For some equipment it may be necessary to identify an age or height restriction).</li> <li>Supervision of use required at all times.</li> <li>Clear rules about appropriate behaviour (for example not to hang upside down from monkey bars).</li> <li>Apparatus not to be used when wet and slippery.</li> <li>Children to wear appropriate footwear.</li> <li>Ensure that impact absorbing surfaces are present where there is a significant risk of a fall (<i>not required for climbing equipment below 60cm</i>).</li> </ul>	

<b>LITTER, GLASS USED NEEDLES DOG FAECES</b>	<b>CLIENT INSTRUCTOR OUTSIDE USER</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inspection of the area and litter pick (identify measures for preventing needle stick injuries).</li> <li>• Provide equipment so that faeces can be removed safely.</li> </ul>	
<b>UNSUPERVISED CONTACT WITH ADULTS.</b>  <b>ABSCONDING / CHILDREN LEAVING THE SCHOOL GROUNDS UNOBSERVED.</b>	<b>CLIENT</b>	<b>LOW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintained, un-breached fencing.</li> <li>• Gates closed / secured at break times.</li> <li>• Avoid children playing in areas out of sight of supervisors.</li> <li>• Areas of site identified as higher risk made 'out of bounds'.</li> <li>• Ensure supervision levels are appropriate for the layout of the site and the play areas, especially in the vicinity of the gates and where there are public footpaths.</li> </ul>	

**This risk assessment is reviewed annually or earlier if necessary**