

## Kirton & Falkenham Parish Council Risk Assessment Record

**Area:** Recreation Ground childrens play area

**Assessor:** J. Beer

**Persons at Risk:** Visiting children & adults

**Date updated:** 25/03/2026

### Hazard

**Frequency + Severity = Risk Rating**

1. Falls from equipment	2	2	4
2. Equipment malfunction or failure	2	2	4
3. Trapping of parts of body in equipment	2	3	5
4. Misuse of equipment by those over permitted age	3	1	4
5. Fouling of area by dogs	1	3	4
6. Broken bottles and other litter	3	2	5
7. Tripping or slipping	3	1	4
8. Collision with brambles/small tree branches	2	2	4
9. Health risk associated with contagions eg. Pandemic	1	5	6

**A risk rating of 5 or more requires further action**

No.	Present Control Measures	Adequate	Notes
1.	Safety surfacing around/under equipment	Y	New surface laid in 2009
2.	Equipment regularly inspected & maintained	Y	Weekly inspection in-house, monthly, quarterly and annual inspections by ES Services
3.	Equipment designed to avoid this although regulations have changed since equip. installed	Y	Low risk status given on annual play-area inspection
4.	Notice in place	Y	
5.	Fence surrounds area with self closing gates	Y	Gates regularly monitored
6.	Regular inspection and litter removed	Y	Checked every few days
7.	Grass cut regularly and trip hazards reduced	Y	
8.	Brambles & low tee branches cut back	Y	
9.	Warning signs & hazard tape used to close area	Y	Regularly checked in lockdown

### Further action and recommendations

Continuing maintenance (including painting) of the equipment is on-going. The area is now checked weekly and a phone app. updated as a record. An independent assessor from an approved company carries out an annual inspection

Risk rating scores

Review date: 31/03/2027

#### Probable frequency

1. Improbable
2. Possible
3. Occasional
4. Frequent
5. Regular
6. Common

#### Severity

1. Trivial injuries
2. Minor injuries
3. Major injuries to one person
4. Major injuries to many people
5. Death of one person
6. Multiple deaths