


### Adventure Play in the COVID-19 'Recovery' Period

<p><b>LOLLARD STREET</b></p>  <p><b>ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND</b></p>	<p><b>Reasons for Risk Assessment:</b></p> <p>The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic                  The Government's announcement on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020 that playgrounds can now begin a phased return for children's play.</p>		<p><b>Date of Risk Assessment:</b></p> <p><b>To Be Reviewed:</b> Fortnightly, or more frequently if needed</p> <p><b>Assessment Team Leader:</b>                  Peter Leandre, Interim Manager/Senior Play Worker.</p>			
		<p><b>Version Control: V2</b>                  Version Date: 14 July 2020  <b>Sign-offs</b>                  Interim Manager/SWP: 14 July 2020                  KA Trustees: 14 July 2020                  Amended in response to Lambeth CYP suggestions 23.07.20                  Amended in response to Lambeth Public Health comments, 28.07.20</p>				
Area of Risk	Hazard/Risk	Actions/ Controls in place to reduce risk	Level of harm	Level of occurrence (after controls)	Risk Rating (after controls put in place)	
Working with children and staff in face to face setting	Spreading infection through contact with surfaces and each other	<p><b>Hygiene</b>                  Manager/Trustees to regularly check the latest government advice for Adventure Playgrounds and to ensure the advice is shared and followed. Staff share key information about hygiene daily with children. 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' poster and handwashing videos (You Tube) etc.</p> <p>Children and staff should wash their hands, with soap and water for a minimum of 20 secs, at the very minimum:                  at the vey minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● before leaving home</li> <li>● on arrival at the Adventure Playground</li> </ul>	Extremely harmful  3	Highly unlikely  1	Moderate Risk  3	

- after using the toilet
- after handling waste
- after breaks and sporting activities
- before food preparation (if appropriate)
- before eating any food, including snacks
- before leaving the Adventure Playground

Children to wash hands in Intervals and dry hands with blue/Green paper towels, not the fabric towel. **Soap and water is more effective than using sanitisers. An outdoor hand washing facility will be installed. Where sanitiser is used, it will contain at least 60% by alcohol (and this holds for all references to sanitiser throughout this document)**

Designated members of staff to be responsible for cleaning of surfaces, door handles, toilets and outside equipment etc. throughout the day, using standard cleaning products such as detergents and bleach. As a minimum, frequently touched surfaces should be wiped down at the beginning and at the end of each day, and more frequently depending on: the number of people using the space, whether they are entering and exiting the setting, and access to hand washing and hand-sanitising facilities.

Younger children will have support if they struggle cleaning their hands independently. They will be taught how to practice these habits through songs, games.

**All activities will be outdoors.** In the event of rain, children will shelter in a distributed way under the

		<p>playground structures and other outdoor covered areas which are well ventilated.</p> <p>Children will only access the indoor area for registration on arrival and subsequently to use the toilets.</p> <p>One way route of travel around the designated play areas, to and from the toilets/entrance/exit clearly set out.</p> <p>Clear signage indicating sanitisation areas, washing requirements, directions of movement, activity entrances &amp; exits, waiting/queuing safe areas, safe seating, activity spaces, off limits areas and pick up/drop off areas &amp; expectations.</p> <p>Nonetheless, the indoor space will be well ventilated using natural ventilation (open windows and open doors). Doors will be propped open, where it is safe to do so (bearing in mind fire safety and safeguarding), to limit use of door handles and aid ventilation</p>			
		<p><b>Indoor play layout.</b></p> <p><b>There will be no indoor play.</b> Indoor play equipment will be fenced off in the building to minimise temptations for the children</p>	<p>Extremely harmful</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Highly unlikely</p> <p>1</p>	<p>Moderate Risk</p> <p>3</p>

		<p><b>Playground timetable</b>  There will be two 2.5 hr sessions each weekday. In each session, children will be in one of four groups of six each with their own assigned playworker with whom they will stay for the session. The four groups will rotate around four discrete and separated activities over the course of the session.</p> <p>Staff &amp; children to play within designated areas only according to use of space and activity. Children are not to enter or leave areas without permission and social distancing to be upheld at all times</p> <p><b>Where possible, 2m distancing will be maintained. However, we consider being outdoors to constitute a 'plus' in the '1m+' guidance and transient 1m distancing will be acceptable. Parents will be explicitly advised that a playground cannot guarantee social distancing as reliably as a school might.</b></p> <p>There will be additional 1 hour bookable sessions on Saturdays which will each be able to accommodate two families with those SEND children who are not able to adapt to social distancing in the weekday sessions</p>	<p>Extremely harmful</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Highly unlikely</p> <p>1</p>	<p>Moderate Risk</p> <p>3</p>
		<p><b>Food and Drink</b>  There will be no prepared food. Should children need snacks to sustain them, parents/carers will be encouraged to provide them with a packed snack as well as a water bottle, which staff will refill wearing gloves. Staff will wash their hands with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds before handling food and water.</p>	<p>Extremely harmful</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Highly unlikely</p> <p>1</p>	<p>Moderate Risk</p> <p>3</p>

		As summer progresses, we will investigate the practicality and safety of making available snacks with minimal handling requirements eg fruit.			
	Spreading infection through sneezing etc.	Children and adults are advised to cover their mouth and nose with a disposable tissue when they cough or sneeze and put the tissue in the bin. If no bin is available they should put the tissue into their pocket or up their sleeve for disposing of later. If they don't have any tissues available, they should cough and sneeze into the crook of their elbow. Children will be reminded to wash their hands after sneezing.	Extremely harmful 3	Highly unlikely 1	Moderate Risk 3
	Child or staff member is unwell with symptoms of COVID-19	<p>If anyone becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature they must be sent home immediately, or as soon as they may be collected for a child who cannot make their way home on their own, or who has no one at home. They should be kept at home and their parent/guardian/carer request a test.</p> <p>If a child is awaiting collection, they will be moved, if possible, to a room where they can be isolated behind a closed door, depending on the age of the child and with appropriate adult supervision if required. Ideally, a window should be opened for ventilation. If it is not possible to isolate them, move them to an area which is at least 2 metres away from other people.</p> <p>If they need to go to the toilet while waiting to be collected, they should use a separate toilet if possible. The toilet should be cleaned and disinfected using</p>	Extremely harmful 3	Highly unlikely 1	Moderate Risk 3

		<p>standard cleaning products before being used by anyone else.</p> <p>PPE (disposable apron, gloves and fluid repellent face masks) should be worn by staff caring for the child while they await collection if a distance of 2 metres cannot be maintained (such as for a very young child or a child with complex needs).</p> <p>In an emergency, we will call 999 if they are seriously ill or injured or their life is at risk.</p> <p>If a member of staff has helped someone who was unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, they do not need to go home unless they develop symptoms themselves (and in which case, a test is available through the NHS) or the child subsequently tests positive. They should wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds after any contact with someone who is unwell. Cleaning the affected area with normal household disinfectant (detergent and bleach) after someone with symptoms has left will reduce the risk of passing the infection on to other people.</p> <p>The manager/senior will decide, in liaison with Lambeth Public Health, whether the group of children and staff need to be sent home to isolate where a test has not been sought.</p> <p>Two full sets of PPE (fluid resistant face covering, gloves, and disposable apron) will be maintained at the playground for dealing with children who become ill or require first aid and shall be replaced after use.</p>			
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	<p>A case of COVID-19 is confirmed at our setting</p>	<p>When a child, young person or staff member develops symptoms compatible with coronavirus, they should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 10 days. Their fellow household members should self-isolate for 20 days. All staff and children who are attending our Adventure Playground can gain access to a test if they display symptoms of coronavirus, and are encouraged to get tested in this scenario.</p> <p>Where the child, young person or staff member tests negative, they can return to Adventure Playground and the fellow household members can end their self-isolation.</p> <p>Where the child, young person or staff member tests positive, the rest of their group should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days, unless the advice from NHS track and trace is otherwise. The other household members of that wider group do not need to self-isolate unless the child, young person or staff member they live with in that group subsequently develops symptoms.</p> <p>Where a test has been taken and the child is waiting for results, the manager/senior and trustees, will make an informed decision about whether to suspend the group provision until confirmation.</p> <p>As part of the national test and trace programme, if other groups are detected within the cohort or in the wider setting, Public Health England's local health protection teams will conduct a rapid investigation and will advise us on the most appropriate action to take. In some cases a larger number of other children may be</p>	<p>Extremely harmful</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Highly unlikely</p> <p>1</p>	<p>Moderate Risk</p> <p>3</p>
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		asked to self-isolate at home as a precautionary measure – perhaps the whole site. Where settings are observing guidance on infection prevention and control, which will reduce risk of transmission, closure of the whole setting will not generally be necessary.			
Travel to work (for staff) (for children and their families)	Staff at risk of exposure to COVID-19 whilst travelling to and from work	Staff are encouraged to walk, cycle or drive to school.  If using public transport, we will provide staff with face masks should they not have one of their own which they prefer to use.  Staff who have no option but to use trains or tubes or buses to get to work, will be given adapted work times to avoid rush hour, if appropriate.	Extremely harmful  3	Highly unlikely  1	Moderate Risk  3
	Children at risk of exposure to COVID-19 whilst travelling to and from school	Families are encouraged to walk, cycle or drive to Adventure Playground.  If using public transport, appropriate measures are taken, e.g. use of hand sanitiser, social distancing (where possible)	Extremely harmful  3	Highly unlikely  1	Moderate Risk  3
	Risk of exposure to COVID-19 when parents and children gather in playground entrance	Parents will be advised not to bring/send their children to the playground too far ahead of the opening time. Social distancing will be marked out in the forecourt and along the railings. Children will be supervised to enter one at a time, pausing in the building only to register for the day, before going outside. Registration will be paperless.  Parents will advise whether a child is to make their own way home or to be collected. Parents will be asked to collect their children promptly and to observe social distancing throughout.	Extremely harmful  3	Highly unlikely  1	Moderate Risk  3
	Staff sickness levels are high	For year 1 - 6 children, there will be a staff member with each group of 6 children. There will be at least one	Slightly harmful	Likely	Moderate Risk



Appropriate staffing levels and staff-pupil ratios		<p>additional, circulating staff member who will be able to respond to unexpected events and to flag up departures from the mitigation tactics set out in this risk assessment.</p> <p>For Year 7 up children, who will be catered for on the large sports pitch, there will be one staff member supervising and ensuring they maintain social distancing.</p> <p>Senior staff will assess if the Minimum Staffing Requirements have been met. If Minimum Staffing Requirements are NOT met then:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● makes decision to close the playground or part-closure</li> <li>● Parents are informed via usual communication strategy</li> </ul>	1	3	3
	Many staff are self-isolating, shielding or living with someone shielding, and cannot come to work	As above	Slightly harmful	Likely	Moderate Risk
Face to face contact between staff and parents, and between parents	Spreading infection through contact in the office	Office to be closed. All contact primarily via telephone and email. Communication at the playground to be conducted outdoors with social distancing.	Extremely harmful	Highly unlikely	Moderate Risk
	Spreading infection through contact between parent/carers and staff.	<p>No parents/ carers to enter the Adventure Playground under usual circumstances.</p> <p>2 metre social distancing to be observed between parents and staff in the vicinity of the playground and</p>	Extremely harmful	Highly unlikely	Moderate Risk

		on the playground, should they be permitted to enter under exceptional circumstances.			
Catering for Adventure Playground lunches/snacks safely	Adventure Playground is not able to provide food.	<p>We will contact parents if we are able to resume offering food.</p> <p>Parents are required to provide a water bottle for their child for each booked session.</p> <p>Staff will fill water bottles for children during breaks, and on request/ (Staff will wash hands thoroughly with soap and water for 20 secs beforehand , and wear gloves for doing so)</p> <p>Parents are informed via usual communication strategy</p>	Slightly harmful 1	Highly unlikely 1	Trivial Risk 1
Health and Safety	Evacuation procedures cannot be performed as normal	Temporary fire drill procedures to be created and shared with all staff.	Slightly harmful 1	Highly unlikely 1	Trivial Risk 1
	Insufficient qualified first aiders on site due to staff absence	<p>A number of staff and sessional staff are fully qualified in Paediatric First Aid.</p> <p>All staff in staff have completed a Paediatric First Aid course.</p>	Slightly harmful 1	Highly unlikely 1	Trivial Risk 1
	Designated Safeguarding Leads are not on site due to staff absence	Lollard St Adventure Playground has a Safeguarding Team made up of a Trustee (Level 3), the Senior Playworker (Level 3) and a Playworker (Level 2) . Lambeth have an on-call Safeguarding lead if needed, and one of DSLs would be available via phone.	Harmful 2	Highly unlikely 1	Tolerable Risk 2
	Adventure Playground cleaner is able to clean play area.	Smooth surfaces subject to frequent touching by children (swings, slide, sports equipment	Slightly harmful	Highly unlikely	Trivial Risk 1

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	Essential maintenance workers come into contact with staff and children	Essential maintenance workers to be kept away from groups of children as far as possible and reminded of social distancing guidelines on arrival.  Wash hands on arrival and before entering/leaving any area which children will also use.	Slightly harmful  1	Highly unlikely  1	Trivial Risk  1
Staff working safely	On the Adventure Playground	Staff protocol document to be shared with all staff prior to return to the playground.	Slightly harmful  1	Highly unlikely  1	Trivial Risk  1
Providing essential contact with children in the Adventure Playground	Risk of infection when having to change a child	Staff to wear disposable gloves and fluid repellent face masks in these situations. Thoroughly wash hands for a minimum of 20 seconds with soap and water, and then use hand sanitiser afterwards.	Extremely harmful  3	Highly unlikely  1	Moderate Risk  3
	Risk of infection when comforting a child who is upset or injured	Thoroughly wash hands with soap and water for 20 seconds, and then use hand sanitiser afterwards.	Extremely harmful  3	Highly unlikely  1	Moderate Risk  3
	SEND	Individual risk assessments for children with EHC plans carried out to assess if it is safe for them to be in the Adventure Playground, specifically if they will be able to adapt to the risk mitigations set out in this assessment..	Staff to see individual risk assessments for children with EHCs and Support Plans		

Risk Assessment agreed by Lollard St Trustees, subject to approval by Public Health

## RISK ASSESSMENT FORM C

RISK LEVEL ESTIMATOR				
		SLIGHTLY HARMFUL 1	HARMFUL 2	EXTREMELY HARMFUL 3
<b>SEVERITY OF HARM</b>				
<b>LIKELIHOOD OF HARM</b>				
<b>HIGHLY UNLIKELY OCCURRENCE</b>	1	TRIVIAL RISK 1	TOLERABLE RISK (Low) 2	MODERATE RISK (Medium) 3
<b>UNLIKELY OCCURRENCE</b>	2	TOLERABLE RISK (Low) 2	MODERATE RISK (Medium) 4	SUBSTANTIAL RISK (High) 6
<b>LIKELY OCCURRENCE</b>	3	MODERATE RISK (Medium) 3	SUBSTANTIAL RISK (High) 6	INTOLERABLE RISK 9
RISK BASED CONTROL PLAN				
RISK LEVEL		ACTION AND TIME SCALE		
<b>TRIVIAL</b>	1	No action is required and no documentary records need to be kept (excepting form A).		
<b>TOLERABLE</b>	2	No additional precautions are required. Consideration may be given to a more cost-effective solution or improvement that imposes no additional cost burden. Monitoring is required to ensure that the controls are maintained.		
<b>MODERATE</b>	3 & 4	<p>Effort should be made to reduce the risk further, within a defined time period, but the costs of precautions should be carefully measured. Where the moderate risk is associated with extremely harmful consequences further assessment may be necessary to establish precisely the likelihood of harm as a basis for deciding the need for improved precautions.</p> <p>General principles for activities will be:</p> <p><b>Where activities involve hand contact with smooth surfaces (eg balls, bats, equipment) by multiple children in succession,</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Children will wash/sanitise hands before and after use.</b></li> <li>2. <b>Staff will regularly clean surfaces with certified anti-viral disinfectant eg Zoflora.</b></li> </ol>		
<b>SUBSTANTIAL</b>	6	Work should not be started until risks have been reduced. Considerable resources may have to be allocated to reduce the risk. In the event that no action can be taken to reduce the risk the matter must be referred to a senior officer. The OHS Team should also be contacted for advice.		
<b>INTOLERABLE</b>	9	Work should not be started or continued until the risk has been reduced. If it is not possible to reduce the risk, even with unlimited resources, work has to remain prohibited and the matter referred to a senior officer. The OHS Team should also be contacted for advice.		
<b>NOTE: Tolerable means that risk has been reduced to the lowest level that is reasonably practicable</b>				

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