

Covid 19 Risk/Benefit Assessment Form



Location: The Wilderness, Hampton Wick, Marble Hill Park	Date: June 2020	Assessment undertaken by: Claire Chapman, Scott Hardie	Signed: C.Chapman S Hardie
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What is being risk assessed? (i.e. environment/ play opportunity/ activity/ event, location, group size & ratio, other. eg. climbing a tree)	What is/are the likely injury/problem etc	What is the value/benefit of the play opportunity etc to the children/young people?	Measures taken to eliminate/reduce the hazard to an acceptable level of risk	Link to guidance
<i>Children coming back to play on site post lockdown without social distancing (adults will still be required to do so)</i>	<i>Transmission of infection between children or to adults</i>	<p><i>Play is the way that children make sense of the world and their feelings and experiences. Evidence shows that playing these 'out' helps build resilience and reduce anxiety- play in itself has a therapeutic effect.</i></p> <p><i>Play is more often than not extremely social – children socially and emotionally develop through playing with others and yet opportunities for this have been severely curtailed during lockdown and many experts are concerned about the effects of this on children's mental health.</i></p> <p><i>Many children have been stuck indoors for several weeks for much of the time with little opportunity to play physically in the ways they can here.</i></p> <p><i>To date the scientific evidence around Covid-19 seems to indicate</i></p> <p><i>a) that transmission in the outdoors is far less likely</i></p> <p><i>b) that children who do contract the virus are rarely ill</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Groups will only consist of pre booked children and contain a maximum of 15.</i> • <i>Hand sanitising stations at gate and around site – everyone will have to use these at least on entry and exit and during session before/after eating, using toilet etc</i> • <i>Time in between and at the end of the sessions for cleaning/disinfecting equipment and surfaces</i> • <i>Staff to wear mask and gloves if needing to administer first aid</i> • <i>Tissues available for children and adults to 'Catch it, Kill it Bin it'</i> 	<p>Appendix 1</p> <p>Appendix 2</p> <p>Appendix 3</p> <p>Appendix 4</p>

<p><i>The site itself with regard to prevention of infection with Covid-19</i></p>	<p><i>Transmission of infection from adults or from surfaces</i></p>	<p><i>c) that transmission of the virus from and between children is much less than that from and between adults</i></p>	<p>Pre-session <i>Safe distance markings will be marked on site both inside and outside of the gates-- parents will need to safely queue outside before dropping off. Children have been given session info to ease transition</i></p> <p><i>Staff declare themselves free of covid symptoms prior to starting work and are expected to ring in and notify if they have become ill with covid symptoms prior to a session.</i></p> <p>Per session. <i>Seating, Toilet Doors, Tools and Mud Kitchen will be wiped down with anti bac.</i></p> <p>End of day <i>As per session and wiping down shed doors/gates/toilet doors and seating circle</i></p> <p><i>These measures are based on London Play's Guidance for Adventure Playgrounds and the second Independent Sage Report on school reopening.</i></p>	
<p><i>Site organisation - groupings of children</i></p>	<p><i>Transmission between children</i></p>		<p><i>Forest School Site to be divided into two areas with 2 separate basecamps, each group has its own toilet, mud kitchen and undercover activity area. Mini Explorers will be arranged in to groups of 4 or 5 to one adult. Each group will be assigned a group leader and allocated first aider for the session. Activities will promote independent discovery and minimise time spent in close proximity.</i></p>	
<p><i>Minimising contact with any person that has Covid Symptoms</i></p>	<p><i>Transmission to the group</i></p>	<p><i>None</i></p>	<p><i>Parents are reminded in parent info not to attend if experiencing symptoms of Covid. Staff to take online Coronavirus Training so they can spot the symptoms and isolate that child quickly. Each site has an allocated area in</i></p>	

			<i>which a child can be safely isolated until a parent can collect. Staff will wear full PPE whilst caring for the child until collected.</i>	
<i>Appendix</i>			<i>Link to guidance</i>	Date accessed
1	<p>Summer provision</p> <p>Providers of community activities, summer clubs, tuition and other out-of-school activities will be able to open over the summer, with safety measures in place. Adjustments to the current restrictions on these providers will be made as part of step 3 of the government’s recovery strategy (from 4 July). Providers who open should follow the guidance on protective measures for providers of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● community activities ● holiday or after-school clubs ● tuition ● other out-of-school settings <p>Providers that open before 4 July should only offer outdoor provision. In doing so, providers should ensure they can keep children social distanced and in a group of no more than 6, including staff members, in line with guidance on staying alert and safe (social distancing).</p>		https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak#summer-provision	2/7/20
2	<p>We are recommending that providers keep children in small, consistent groups of no more than 15 children and one or two staff members. Group sizes may need to be smaller than 15 children depending on a number of factors such as age of the children in attendance, size of the premises or the type of activity. This means that when your child attends</p>		https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/guidance-for-parents-and-carers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak	2/7/20

	the first session they will be placed in a particular group or class of children and they should remain in that group for future sessions.	rers-of-children-attending-out-of-school-settings-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak	
3	London Play Adventure Playground Briefing	https://www.londonplay.org.uk/resources/0000/3528/AP_Guidance_Covid_19.pdf	21/6/20
4	Forest School Association Coronavirus Briefing	https://www.forestschoollassociation.org/ncorona-covid-19-and-forest-school/	25/5/20