**Newbridge Farm Park Public Activities Risk Assessments**

**Assessments Completed and Adopted: April 2022**

**Assessment Approved by: Cheryl Jenkins Date: 5/4/2019 Reviewed:11/3/2020**

**Reviewed: 27/7/2020 – many areas N/A ie. Animal activities, some soft play and school trips, due to covid restrictions and necessary business changes for this year. Reviewed: 23.10.2020 Reviewed:7.3.2022**

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| General opening to the public | Children or Young Persons  Members of the public | Exposure to infection  Exposure to cold/wet  Exposure to sun/heat  Contact with moving vehicles (tractors, cars, buses, delivery vehicles)  Tripping/slipping  Falling from a height (play equipment)  Knocked over by an animal  Being trapped (collapsing hay bales)  Fire  Drowning  Exposure to hazardous substances | * Location Specific Hazard Check list completed and constantly reviewed. * School visit assessments completed by the school staff. * Consultation carried out between Staff and Manager prior to the visit. * Supervision and responsibilities agreed prior to the visit. * Animal contact areas properly defined. * Hand washing stations provided and maintained. * Vehicle movements, other than attraction vehicles, stopped when public are on site. * Only trained staff are employed in assisting with School visits. * Fencing around any water. | Likelihood 3  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| School or Young Persons Group Visit | Children or Young Persons  Teachers and Teaching Staff – including Classroom Assistants | Exposure to infection  Exposure to cold/wet  Exposure to sun/heat  Contact with moving vehicles (tractors, cars, buses, delivery vehicles)  Tripping/slipping  Falling from a height (play equipment)  Knocked over by an animal  Being trapped (collapsing hay bales)  Fire  Drowning  Exposure to hazardous substances | * Location Specific Hazard Checklist completed and constantly reviewed. * School visit assessments completed by the school staff. * Consultation carried out between Staff and Manager prior to the visit. * Supervision and responsibilities agreed prior to the visit. * Animal contact area properly defined. * Hand washing stations provided and maintained. * Vehicle movements, other than attraction vehicles, stopped when public are on site. * Only trained staff is employed in assisting with School visits. * Fencing around any water. | Likelihood 3  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| Unsupervised Group Visits | Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Exposure to infection  Exposure to cold/wet  Exposure to sun/heat  Contact with moving vehicles (tractors, cars, buses, delivery vehicles)  Tripping/slipping  Falling from a height (play equipment)  Knocked over by an animal  Being trapped (collapsing hay bales)  Fire  Drowning  Exposure to hazardous substances | * These groups are higher risk than supervised groups. No guarantee the group leader understands their duties under the Code of Practice. Briefing on arrival takes place to ensure they understand the need for a hand washing regime. * School visit assessments completed by the school staff. * Consultation carried out between Staff and Manager prior to the visit. * Supervision and responsibilities agreed prior to the visit. * Animal contact areas properly defined. * Hand washing stations provided and maintained. * Vehicle movements, other than attraction vehicles, stopped when public are on site. * Extra trained staff is employed in assisting with School visits. | Likelihood 3  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| Disabled Access | Disabled Persons  Carers  Members of the Public  Staff | Access denied to an area  Excessive unnecessary physical effort required.  Slip, trip or fall at the same level. | * Most areas are designed for disabled access although not all activities and equipment are accessible/suitable. * Disabled Welfare arrangements in place * Designated disabled parking available. * Assistance available if person or carer gets into difficulty | Likelihood 2  Severity 2  Risk Level 2 |

**Animal Contact Zones**

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| Animal Contact Area | Children or Young Persons | Positive animal contact through feeding and general contact with animals.  Exposure to infection.  Added risk to pregnant women | * Cleaning out completed before opening times from back of pens where there is no public access so no risk of contact with contaminated surfaces. * Hand wash facilities provided with anti-bacterial soap provided. * Signage erected to remind visitors of the importance of hand washing. * Areas blocked with a barrier when facilities are not conducive to public walking through or when animal movements are necessary. | Likelihood 2  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| Animal Feeding | Teachers and Teaching staff – including Classroom Assistants  Children or Young Persons | Exposures to zoonosis bacteria and other similar substances  Added risk to Pregnant women  Animal bites | * Instructions on safe feeding and hand washing given on signage at the animal feeding area. * Staff trained to supervise sessions and give instructions on safety and Hand washing. * Signage in animal pens reminding visitors to wash hands | Likelihood 2  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| Go Karts | Children | Collisions.  Falls. | * Signage with suitable ages for use and arrows for easy to follow directions. * Signage to indicate adult supervision is necessary. * Staff monitoring. * Karts checked daily for damage. |  |
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**Non-Contact Zones and Activity**

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| Contact with animals | Teachers and Teaching Staff – including Classroom Assistants  Children or Young Persons | Exposure to zoonosis bacteria and other similar substances  Added risk to pregnant women | * Double fencing erected to prevent contact in non - contact areas * Signage erected at entrance to animal contact zone to explain health and safety when contacting animals * Hand washing available at end of the Non-contact area * All animals adequately enclosed to prevent escape into the non-contact area | Likelihood 2  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| Tractor & Trailer ride | Teachers and Teaching Staff  Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Falling from moving vehicle  Contact with moving vehicles  Tripping/ slipping  Overturning vehicle | * Tractor and trailer maintained and checked daily for damage * Safety sign erected at entrance as well as safety talk by operator * No standing allowed whilst the vehicle is in motion * Assistance given to persons getting on and off the trailer * Safety rail positioned before vehicle is in motion * Driver approved and authorised by management to operate the ride * Speed is restricted * Gate shut while ride in progress to stop persons entering the area. | Likelihood 1  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |
| Play in Sandpit | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Contact with bacteria.  Sand in eyes. | * Signs erected to remind Adults to supervise their children. * Sand is inspected daily. * Throwing of sand is prohibited. | Likelihood 2  Severity 2  Risk Level Low (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Zip Wire | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Falls.  Collision with pedestrians. | * Zip wire is self-designed and has been subject to our own safety inspection. Design ensures compliance. * Inspection raised moderate risk on timber support post quality, which has since been replaced. * Ground fall suppression evenly spread and replenishment and a daily management process. * Maintenance engineer appointed to inspect the tension on a weekly basis * Sign erected explaining correct and safe use of equipment and age suitability. * Seat lower to the ground to reduce risk of serious injury in the case of a fall. * Fence one side, so no through route for pedestrians. | Likelihood 2  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Ride on Tractor Areas | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Falls | * Track area fenced with signage erected instructing visitors to keep tractors inside the track area. This keeps children from riding too fast down the slope, or colliding with people running or sliding in play area. * Signage erected instructing visitors of the importance of supervising children. * Signage erected advising of suitable age to use. * Ride on Toys are checked daily for damage and removed for necessary repairs. * Track checked daily for rocks and other items that may cause harm. | Likelihood 3  Severity 1  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Fort and slides | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Falls from height | * Equipment designed and built by us with consideration of safety, has been inspected by outside company. Assessed as low risk. * Inspected Daily for damage, anything loose. * Any damage repaired before reopening. * Signage erected to explain age suitability and the importance of adult supervision. * Fencing around to stop children climbing in areas where they may fall * Slides dried after wet weather * Ground fall suppression evenly spread and maintained. | Likelihood 2  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Clamber stack climbing frame play area | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Falls from height  Slip/tripping | * Equipment designed and built by us with consideration of safety, assessed to be low risk in inspection by outside company except for bridge timber quality which has since been replaced. * Inspected Daily for damage, anything loose. * Any damage repaired before reopening. * Signage erected to explain age suitability and the importance of adult supervision. * Ground fall suppression evenly spread and maintained. | Likelihood 3  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Hay Barn | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Falls from Height  Slip/Tripping  Getting stuck in between bales  Collisions with rope swing | * Bales checked daily for signs of wear and tear and rotated when worn down. * Bales arranged so they are well supported underneath and big enough spaces to allow children to pass through * Barriers after tunnel exit to avoid collision with rope swings * Ground fall suppression evenly spread and maintained. * Signage erected to explain age suitability, no running and the need for adult supervision. | Likelihood 2  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
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| Soft play barn | Children or young persons.  Members of the public | Trips  Collisions  Infections spread | * Padding on any bars/beams/edges * Signage erected with safety rules, age/height suitability and the importance of adult supervision * Inspected and found to be low risk. * Daily cleaning with antibacterial spray * Netting checked daily for any damage. * Barriers at entrance to slow down the exit/entrance * Monitored by staff while in use | Likelihood 1  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Marquee | Teachers and Teaching Staff  Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Trips.  Collapse | * Industrial marquees * Frames checked weekly, damaged poles replaced. * Ground poles highlighted/taped, and safety warnings given | Likelihood 2  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Picnic Tables/ benches/ Highchairs. | Teachers and Teaching Staff  Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Tip  Collapse  Collisions  Bacterial infection | * Checked for loosening/rotting weekly. * Any damage repaired. * Kept at a safe distance (at least 150cm from play frames where children could fall etc) * Safety straps in tact and checked daily. * Cleaned daily. | Likelihood 2  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Trees over path | Teachers and Teaching Staff  Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Fallen Branches or trees. | * Trees checked and maintained by tree surgeons throughout the year, and after high winds. * Check weekly for heavy/loose branches over hanging. | Likelihood 2  Severity 2  Risk Level Low  (subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Car park, Entrance | Teachers and Teaching Staff  Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Large and small vehicles reversing  Vehicles coming in at speed from road.  People walking through car park to entrance.  Possible vehicle/person collisions. | * Speed restriction sign posted at main gate * Member of staff to supervise the arrival of coaches/minibuses with directions and watching reversing. * Member of staff to assist in stewarding school groups through car park to entrance with safety cones. * Vehicles prohibited from entering the entrance area by cones except delivery vehicles, which are supervised by member of staff. | Likelihood 1  Severity 3  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements.) |
| Toilets | Teachers and Teaching Staff  Children or Young Persons  Members of the Public | Difficulties with supervising.  Getting locked in  Damage to seats causing falls  Infection | * Unisex toilets, easy to supervise from outside. * Suggest children are not to lock them selves in toilets, though lock design is such that can be unlocked from outside. * Checked for damage daily, toilet barred from use until any repairs carried out * Cleaned daily and checked regularly throughout day. | Likelihood 2  Severity 1  Risk Level Low  (Subject to all persons involved cooperating with compliance to visit arrangements and requirements) |