OUTDOOR GYM RISK ASSESSMENT

Work Area/Work Activity Covered by Assessment	Outdoor Gym, Park Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight		
Non-Employees Affected	Members of the public		
Assessor's Name:	Kate Scragg, Deputy Town Clerk	**Date of Assessment**	22 September 2025
		Date of Review Due	September 2026

Item No	Hazards Identified	Risks Identified	What are you already doing?	Action	Priority for Remedial Action*
1	Slips and trips	Users could slip on the equipment or litter. Users could slip on raised matting under the equipment.	Daily visual inspections by the Town Council's contracted litter picker. Quarterly inspections by the Facilities and Town Manager.	Daily removal of litter. Ensure that all matting is flush with surface or repaired/replaced if required. Close off apparatus if necessary in the interim.	Low
2	Natural Hazards	Users could come into contact with dog waste.	Daily visual inspections by the Town Council's contracted litter picker. Any dog waste in the area of the Outdoor Gym is reported to the Town Council Office for onward reporting to Island Roads.	Island Roads to clear dog mess when requested.	Low
3	Crime	Vandalism, intentional damage, arson or theft.	Daily visual inspections by the Town Council's contracted litter picker. Monthly inspections by the Facilities and Town Manager. Quarterly inspections by the Facilities and Town Manager. Any problems reported to the Town Council Office. The area will be closed to users if required. CCTV camera from public conveniences has limited cover of the Outdoor Gym area (see separate CCTV Policy).	Criminal damage reported by the Town Council to the Police using the online reporting system. Cowes Town Council to replace, repair or remove any vandalised equipment. Close off area if necessary in the interim.	High

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4	Accidents	Slips, trips or falls. Users may be injured if they trip over objects, fall from the equipment contained therein or misuse of equipment.	Advisory Board displaying how to safely use the equipment is in place. Daily visual inspections by the Town Council's contracted litter picker. Monthly inspections by the Facilities and Town Manager. Quarterly inspections by the Facilities and Town Manager. Maintenance issues addressed by Cowes Town Council or their appointed contractors.	Daily removal of litter. Ensure that all matting is flush with surface or repaired/replaced if required. Close off area if necessary in the interim.	Low
5	Covid-19 or other pandemic	Transmission of virus.	Compulsory / advisory signage with current Government guidelines on the usage of outdoor gym areas is displayed at the venue when required.	Cowes Town Council will display compulsory / advisory signage with current Government guidelines on usage of outdoor gym areas at the venue when required.	Low

***The remedial action required must reflect the rating given for the task.**

Signed ……
Deputy Town Clerk - Cowes Town Council

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