

Foxlease Park Risk Assessment



Location:	Onsite -open area	Assessor:	E Watson		
Date of Assessment	23/4/2025	Date of review	1/7/2026		
Description of area or activity	Mini Pioneering – Dowels/ small sticks – can be self-led or instructor led			Technical Adviser (if applicable)	N/A
Equipment used:	Dowels, small sticks, string, elastic bands				

Risk factor scoring colour codes				1 - 3	4-7	8- 10		
Hazard	Description of potential accident/injury/loss	Who is affected	Precautions/controls already in place	Risk Factor= S x L			Further control measures applied	Action by:
				Severity	Likelihood	Factor		
Participants being hit by equipment during the activity session	Head and face injuries, bumps, bruises or broken bones.	Anyone in the immediate area	Clear instructions at the start of the activity. Participants are shown how to carry equipment.	3	2	6	Session Leaders should carry a 1 st aid kit.	Session leader
Slips, trips, falls	Minor injuries, bruises, sprains and strains.	Participants	The activity can take place in a natural environment where the ground is often uneven, wet and could be slippery. Participants and session and leaders to wear appropriate clothes and footwear for the environment. In areas where added protection has been used such as	3	2	6	Recommended kit list for activities will be sent to group Leader. Session leaders will cover the safety brief at the beginning of the session. Give clear instructions To Participants not to run	Session Leaders

			matting\ woodchip\ artificial flooring then this must be well maintained and fit to be used.				Consider moving to another area.	
Entrapment	Fingers, feet and hands injuries due to entrapment between dowels and the ropes	All users	Fully brief the participants before the activity, cultural reach we removed before the start of the activity.	3	2	6	Session leaders should supervise participants and check they're using the correct knots and lashings.	Session Leaders
Equipment failure	Participants could become unnecessarily injured	All participants	All equipment used will be regularly checked and any faulty items removed from service.	2	2	4		Session Leaders
Knots, lashings and elastic failure	Injuries to participants	All participants	Session leader to regularly check the structure for signs of wear and tear, loose lashings, overly stretched elastics	2	2	4	Session leader to explain about the over pulling on the catapult.	Session Leader
Inclement weather	Could put activity at a safety risk	All participants	Session leader to monitor the weather conditions and consider moving the activity indoors.	1	2	3	Most of the suggested self-led activities can be completed indoors. If session leader is in doubt, then Foxlease Park staff can advise.	Session Leaders
Emergency aid.	Not being able to treat first aid incidents	All Participants	Make sure a qualified first aider is present throughout the activity. Make sure a first aid kit is at the activity location for the activity.	1	4	4	First Aid kit is available in the site office. Foxlease Park will have a qualified first aider on site.	Session Leader
Rough wood	Splinters	All Participants	All dowel ends to be given a rub down with sandpaper. Participants to be advised of this risk	1	4	4	First Aid kit is available in the site office. Foxlease Park will have a qualified first aider on site.	Session Leader