

Many local parishes have already re-opened their play areas, displaying the SCDC signage (which we have) and are making it clear that users access the area at their own risk.

I have prepared a risk assessment and some wording for the website / facebook page advising that the play areas are opening up – attached.

I would like to ask the wardens to clean all equipment next Monday, 13 July with a view to opening next week. To try to ensure social distancing I think it would be helpful to decommission every other swing on both play areas. There will also be signs reminding users to keep their distance.

I spoke to John this morning and I would be grateful if members of the Maintenance Committee would indicate their agreement to the following:

Proposal for the Maintenance Committee:

- 1 To approve the risk assessment for re-opening play areas
- 2 To arrange for the wardens to clean all equipment on The Moor and Clear Crescent play areas.
- 3 Once cleaning has taken place, to re-open both play areas with clear signage relating to safe use of equipment, social distancing and reminding people that they use the play areas at their own risk.

Supporting documents:	Date of proposal	For	Against	Abstain	Outcome
Risk Assessment Website notice	8 July 2020	Cllr Kilmurray Cllr Cowley Cllr Travis Cllr Clark			Majority – carried

Reopening of Melbourn play areas

Melbourn Parish Council is pleased to let you know that the playground is now open further to [Government guidance](#). The playground has been cleaned in preparation and a risk assessment has been undertaken to ensure its safe reopening.

There are signs in the playground to remind you of the safety precautions you should take. Users should take responsibility for their own actions and the safe use of the playground. Please be considerate to others. If the playground is busy, please limit your time to allow others to use it.

Melbourn Parish Council advises that:

The equipment is not being routinely cleaned

Each piece of equipment is only to be used by one household or 'bubble' at a time

Adults, and children where possible, should continue to maintain social distancing advice in accordance with government guidelines

Please bring hand sanitiser and clean hands before and after using equipment

Please use your own wipes to clean points of contact before use

Please do not consume food or drink in the playground

We hope you enjoy using the playground again.

MELBOURN PARISH COUNCIL

Risk Assessment : COVID-19 Risk Assessment for Play Areas

Areas assessed: The Moor and Clear Crescent play areas

Date assessed: 9 July 2020

Subject	Risk Identified	H / M / L	Management or Control of Risk	Review / Assess / Recommendations
Condition of equipment	Potential for damage over recent months	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recent ROSPA inspection (April 2020) - Additional visual weekly inspections of equipment by wardens - Wardens will clean all equipment prior to re-opening play areas 	Adequately controlled
Appropriate social distancing	Potential overcrowding on equipment	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Where there is less than 2m between items of equipment (eg swings), some pieces of equipment will be decommissioned to prevent overcrowding - Signage advising that equipment is only to be used by one household or bubble at a time - Signage advising that users take responsible for own actions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Risk assessment available to public on website and facebook - Ensure adequate signage is visible to users
Transmission via surfaces	Virus left on surfaces of equipment	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inform public that equipment is not being routinely cleaned - Advise to use own wipes to clean points of contact before use, and dispose of appropriately - Advise to bring hand sanitiser and clean hands before and after using equipment - Advised not to consume food or drink on play areas 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Risk assessment available to public on website and facebook - Ensure adequate signage is visible to users