

Paddling Pools – Operational Risks

TP – Town Park
 ST - Staple Tye
 BF – Bush Fair
 NB - Norman Booth
 Su - Sumners

| Access Control | Pools | Issue | Risk |
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| <p><u>Fencing</u></p> <p>No fencing around pool</p> <p>Two pools with low level fencing</p> <p>Two pools with low level fencing and play area within</p> | <p>TP</p> <p>BF ST</p> <p>Su NB</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No control over entry between 6pm and 10am • Current provision does not prevent anytime access • Animals accompanied or otherwise have free access and therefore contaminate through actually entering the pool or defecating within the pool area / in the water • Easy access to water for children using play equipment • Mixed message being given to the public with no consistency between the five pools in terms of access control | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drowning in dormant water whilst closed and no supervision • Water contamination • Litigation risk |

| Physical Fabric | Pools | Issue | Risk |
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| <u>Surface areas</u> | All | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mastic, concrete, paving – constantly patching with significant ongoing work required to maintain areas. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slips, trips, falls • Water contamination • Financial – repair costs and water loss • Litigation risk |
| <u>Pump Rooms</u> | | | |
| Access to pump room | TP | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High risk access to pump room down ladder. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall from height and resulting injuries • Difficulties in accessing and removing casualties • Litigation risk |
| Plant and machinery | All | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ageing / obsolete plant, with ongoing work / replacement required to keep water within legal safety limits (pumps, chlorinators, pipework) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water contamination • Financial • Litigation risk |
| <u>Structure</u> | ST | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two tier structure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ In need of constant repair ○ Encourages jumping from height | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slips, trips, falls • Litigation risk |
| <u>Landscaping</u> | | | |
| Shade | ST BF | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No natural shade / protection from sun | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunstroke / dehydration • Sun burn |
| <u>Toilet facilities</u> | All | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No facilities available at any pool | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water contamination • Contamination of surrounding areas • Reputational / relationship with partners with public |

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| <p>Splash Park</p> <p><u>Surface area</u></p> <p><u>Toilet Facilities</u></p> <p><u>Plant and Machinery</u></p> | <p>Potter St</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deterioration through usage and weather • Grass area around perimeter difficult to maintain • No facilities available • Aging plant and machinery, with no maintenance support / knowledge available locally. | <p>using their facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Slips, trips, falls • Financial – repair costs • Litigation risk • Contamination of surface and surrounding areas • Reputational / relationship with partners with public using their facilities • Financial • Reputational risk if facility closed |
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