

# Welcome

- **Andie Mackay** – Construction & Facility Services Manager.
- **Steve Bowerbank** – Asset Manager.
- **Keith Jackson** – Senior Technician.



# Why do we Inspect and Maintain ?

- **Playground inspections are recommended to ensure that the playground equipment remains safe and compliant with relevant standards.**

# Why do we Inspect and Maintain ?

- **Legal Requirements:**

- Health & Safety at Work Act 1974
- Management of Health & Safety at Work Reg 1999
- Occupier's Liability Act (Revised 1984)

# Why do we Inspect and Maintain?

(Best Practice)

- **EN 1176** – Playground Equipment Standard
  - Equipment not safe then public access should be prevented.
  - Equipment must be inspected and maintained.
  - Inspection records maintained for 21 years.
- **EN1177** – Safety Surfaces Standard
  - “Impact Absorbing” Playground Surfaces.



# Stockton Councils Aim

- **Comply with the Playground Inspection & Maintenance Policy.**
- **Provide and Maintain High Quality - recreational playground facilities.**
- **Provide funding each year to meet Maintenance requirements where possible.**

# Inspections

- **Scheduled Routine (visual) Inspections, Weekly/Fortnightly.**
- **Scheduled Detailed Inspections, Quarterly.**
- **Reactive Inspections, As and when required.**
- **Independent Inspections, Annual.**

# Risk Management

Management procedure for determining the level of risk can be shown in the form of the risk matrix below.

Probability	Very Low (1)	Low (2)	Medium (3)	High (4)
Impact				
Negligible (1)	1	2	3	4
Low (2)	2	4	6	8
Noticeable (3)	3	6	9	12
High (4)	4	8	12	16

Response	Category	Category	Category	Category
Category	2 (L) response	2(M) response	2(H) response	1 response

# Budget Financial Pressures Today

- **The Annual Budget allocation is £114,000.**
- **Covers - Parks, Open Spaces, Cemeteries, and Allotments**
- **Current Spend to date – £83,000**
- **Outstanding Work to do - £92,000**



# Playground Summary

- **Inspect and Maintain to Policy.**
- **No Replacement Funding.**
- **Maintain within Budget.**
- **Manage Risk by repair or removal if necessary.**

# Any Questions