

BUILT BY NATURE

Robinia playgrounds
for every space



Massey & Harris

Our Mission:

To design, manufacture and deliver considered and innovative play equipment that inspires and encourages play and discovery for all.





About Us

Massey & Harris have been shaping play for over 80 years. As one of the UK's longest-established independent designers and manufacturers of playground equipment, we're extremely proud to bring imagination, engineering, and community spirit together in every project we create.

From local councils and schools to landscape architects and housing developers, our partners trust us to deliver playgrounds that are more than spaces, they're experiences. Our bespoke designs are tailored to spark curiosity, build confidence, and invite children of all ages and abilities to explore, challenge themselves, and have fun.

What sets us apart is our ability to combine bespoke, one-of-a-kind designs with a comprehensive product range that includes classics like swings, slides, and roundabouts. Whether it's a landmark play destination or a neighbourhood park, we approach each project with the same commitment to quality, innovation, and accessibility for all.



Design

At Massey & Harris, design is where play begins. Every project starts with creativity and curiosity, blending bold ideas with expert engineering to craft playgrounds that are safe, inclusive, and unforgettable. From iconic bespoke structures to timeless classics, our design approach turns spaces into destinations where imagination comes to life.





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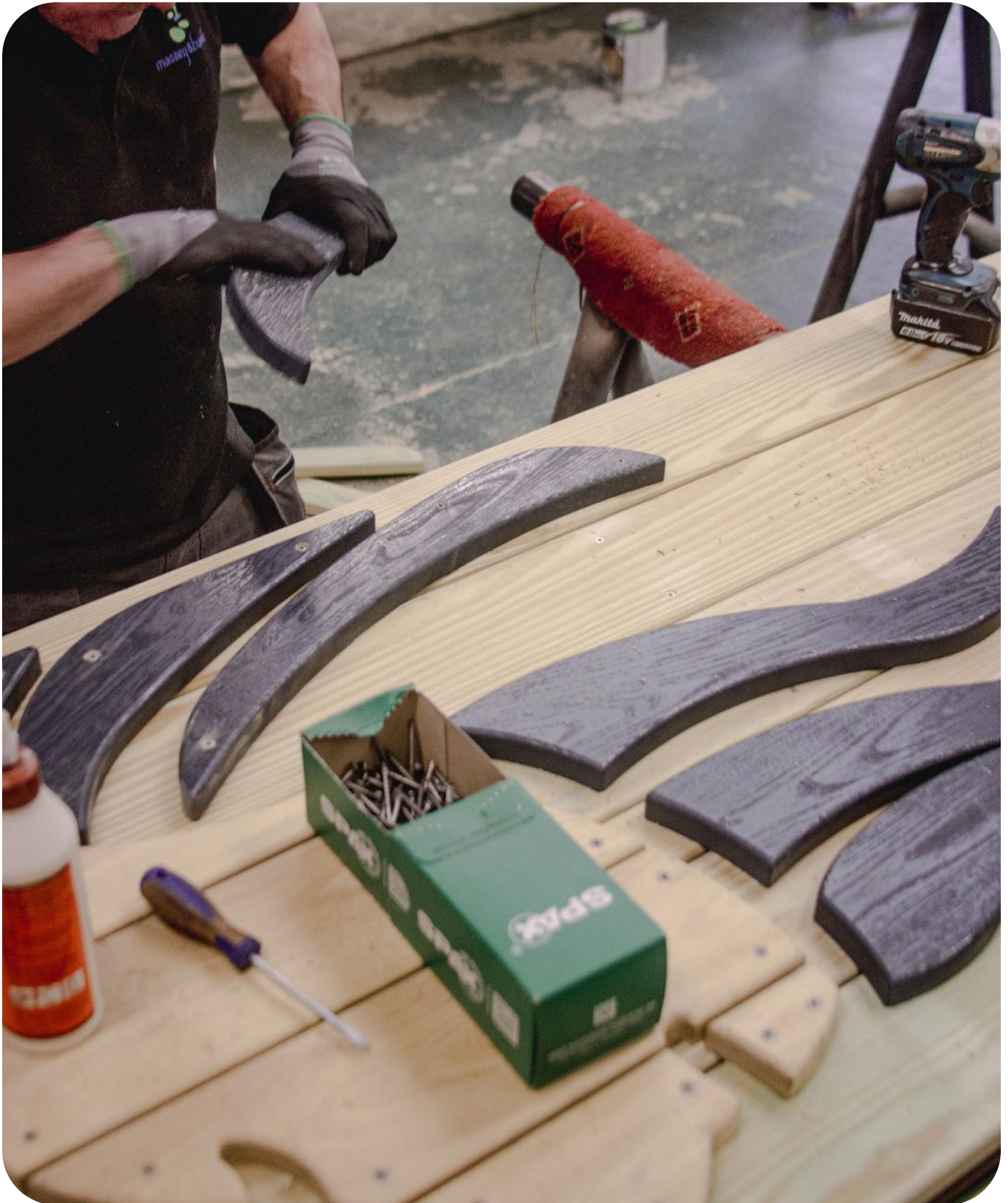
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Example Builds

We have designed and built Robinia play spaces for local parks, schools, landscape architects, developers and more! Here are a few of our past projects to show what we can do. Get in touch if you would like to build a playground together!





Lyle Park Playground

We designed, built and installed the play space in Lyle Park, East London. This bespoke playground transforms a linear landscape into a vibrant world of imaginative play. Inspired by the site's rich industrial heritage and the iconic Tate & Lyle legacy, the design features sculptural play structures, tactile sand zones, balance trails, and climbing routes.





We worked with Arcadis to deliver two bespoke play zones within the new Lyle Park Playground, part of the Ballymore Group's Riverscape development in London. Drawing inspiration from the nearby Tate & Lyle factory and its iconic golden syrup branding, the scheme celebrates the area's industrial and cultural heritage through creative play design and high-quality manufacturing.

At one end of the linear park, our Adventure³ Two Stacked Cubes unit forms a bold centrepiece with unique syrup-themed detailing. A surrounding balance

trail adds opportunities for movement, coordination, and social play, creating an engaging experience for children of all ages.

The second play zone introduces a tactile sand-based area with our Timber Sand Play Unit, a 1.8m Wide Trough Slide, and a bespoke lion-themed sand wall, a playful nod to the golden syrup motif. A 2.4 m Robinia Single Bay Swing with a honey-spoon detail completes the space. Together, these handcrafted features transform the park into a cohesive themed environment that encourages exploration and inclusive, sensory play.





Jodrell Bank

We were commissioned to design and deliver a bespoke playground at Jodrell Bank, creating a series of natural Robinia play structures inspired by the constellations of the galaxy. Located within the arboretum, close to the First Light Pavilion, the play area invites visitors to explore this part of the site and discover new routes through the landscape.





The playground features balancing logs, rope nets and climbing and scrambling elements at varying heights and levels of challenge. Crafted from irregular Robinia timber, each structure offers a tactile, natural play experience that encourages movement, confidence and curiosity.

Four main feature items, Triangulum, Cepheus, Cassiopeia and Orion, each provide a distinct play style, allowing children to navigate the space in different ways and return to it with fresh experiences every time.

The post positions of the four main play structures were carefully designed and set out to reflect the precise star positions of their respective constellations, adding a layer of technical accuracy to the playful concept.

Built entirely in our UK workshop, each structure reflects our approach to quality, craftsmanship and site specific design.

The result is a unique playground that responds to its setting, supports exploration across the wider site and reflects Jodrell Bank's spirit of scientific discovery.





RHS Bridgewater

Nestled in Middle Wood at RHS Bridgewater, the Woodland Play area offers seven acres of nature-inspired fun. Designed to sit sensitively within its surroundings, it combines low ropes, clambering frames, playful trails, basket swings, and spider-web nets. The space encourages all ages to enjoy imaginative and inclusive outdoor play, and “Play Wild”!



In 2021, Massey & Harris were commissioned to design, manufacture, and install a new play provision for the Royal Horticultural Society's fifth national garden, and its very first in the North West. The brief was to create an exciting wild adventure play space set within the woodland glades, while making use of natural materials from the site.

Taking inspiration from the woodland setting, our design team developed the "Play Wild" concept: a playful mantra that encourages children to take ownership of the space and invent their own adventures. The play area sits within Middle Wood and celebrates all aspects of wild play, blending seamlessly into the natural surroundings and encouraging exploration through curiosity and imagination.

The result is an inspiring adventure play space that evolves with the seasons thanks to thoughtful planting and integration. Rather than being confined to one zone, the play experience is spread across the woodland, giving children the freedom to enjoy quiet, reflective moments or share lively play on the feature structures. It is a landscape where nature and play work hand in hand, perfectly aligned with the RHS's vision for Bridgewater.

Every detail of the project was designed and built in-house by our skilled teams, combining traditional craftsmanship with robust engineering. The project has become a much-loved feature of the gardens, offering families a reason to return again and again to discover something new.







Wythenshawe Park

We transformed Wythenshawe Park's play area with castle cladding, dragon details, and inclusive equipment for all ages. Highlights include swings, trampolines, and a wheelchair-accessible roundabout. A new woodland balance trail extends the adventure, blending creativity, durability, and fun.



Massey & Harris were appointed to deliver the first phase of Wythenshawe Park's play area transformation, part of a long-term vision to reimagine this much-loved green space for the community. The aim was to create a play environment that combined creativity, inclusivity, and durability.

At the heart of the design, we breathed new life into an existing play structure by reimagining it with castle-themed cladding and playful dragon details. This creative approach transformed a familiar feature into a magical new landmark, sparking children's imagination and giving the play space a strong new identity. Surrounding it, we refreshed two main play zones with a wide variety of equipment to ensure there was something for everyone. Highlights included a four-bay swing with inclusive seats, a giant spinning disc, in-ground trampolines, a spinning bowl, a wheelchair-accessible roundabout, and our dynamic five-way revolver swing.

To extend the sense of adventure, the scheme also reached into the nearby woodland. Here, we created a bespoke balance trail designed to encourage exploration beyond the boundaries of the play area. Constructed with robust stainless steel posts and natural detailing, the trail blends seamlessly with the environment, offering children a fresh and adventurous play experience that connects them with nature.

This first phase demonstrates how imaginative design and inclusive play features can transform a park, setting the stage for future investment.











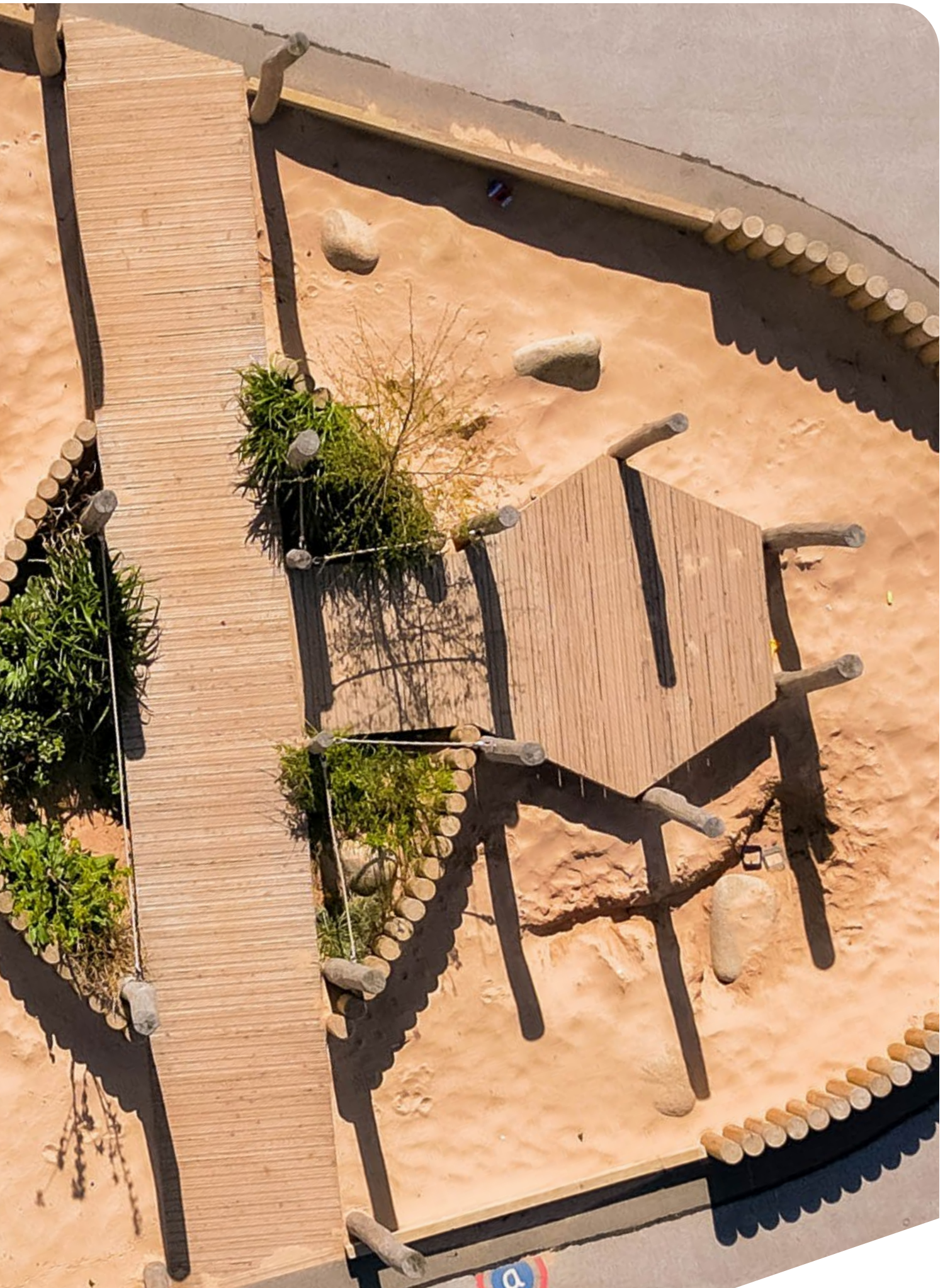
Stockton Heath Primary

We introduced a new Robinia play area into the playground at Stockton Heath Primary School. The school wanted to level up their playground with durable, low-maintenance equipment. We combined one of our standard Robinia play units with bespoke Robinia details to create a natural, engaging space where children can explore and learn.











General

- All prices shown are in British Pound Sterling (£) (GBP)
- All prices quoted exclude VAT (charged at the prevailing rate) and are valid for a period of 30 days from the quote date.
- Playground equipment availability is upon request.
- Lead times provided are non-binding and are only an estimation based on current operating conditions. We accept no liability for any delays in delivery or any consequences arising therefrom.

Payment Terms

1. Payment Terms will be detailed on the Massey & Harris (Engineering) Limited Order Acknowledgement form
2. Orders placed on a Pro Forma basis must be paid in full within 7 days from the date of the Pro Forma invoice.
3. Where credit is given, accounts shall be paid 30 days from date of invoice.

- Prices are submitted on a variable basis and could change if we experience any difficulties in the installation of your equipment that are outside our control. The client will be made aware of any changes that take place within the contract. See Variations section.

- Unless stated otherwise elsewhere in the Contract, Massey & Harris (Engineering) Limited shall, following receipt of the customer Purchase Order, require the Customer to pay a deposit of up to 50% of the value of the Contract before any works commence.

- Interim invoices will be submitted on a monthly basis to the value of playground equipment completed on schemes in excess of £30,000.00

- Prices are subject to change without notice. E&OE.

Other

- Massey & Harris (Engineering) Limited is not responsible for any planning permission or building regulation approval which may be required in connection with the installation of any playground equipment.

- The customer should at all times maintain a responsible attitude towards the continued management of the playground equipment with respect to the on-going inspection of the equipment in line with recommendations outlined by the British Standards Institute, the HSE, ROSPA, Insurers and any other body who have advised on day to day monitoring of play equipment which has been installed on a permanent basis. Any faults or defects should be reported to the company at once, and equipment should be put out of commission until faults have been rectified by the company. Upon completion of your project, Massey & Harris (Engineering) Limited shall issue Operations and Maintenance Manual which must be read, understood and put into operation to comply with BS:EN 1176 & 1177

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