

# STONEBRIDGE ALLOTMENT SOCIETY

Site: Stonebridge allotment		Activity: Agriculture/ Horticulture		Persons conducting assessment; Ashley Haines	
Risk Assessment No. 1	Review Date: 24/10/18	Revision No. 1	Name: Ashley Haines	Signature	Date 24/10/18
			Name	Signature	Date
Persons Exposed	Committee Members: 7	Allotment holders: 000	Public/Visitors: Various		Total at Risk: Various

  

Severity	5	5	10	15	20	25	Likelihood	Rating 1 = Very unlikely Rating 2 = Unlikely Rating 3 = Likely Rating 4 = Very likely Rating 5 = Almost certain	Severity	Rating 1 = No injury Rating 2 = Minor injury or illness Rating 3 = "7 day" injury or illness Rating 4 = Major injury or illness Rating 5 = Fatality, disabling injury, etc
	4	4	8	12	16	20				
	3	3	6	9	12	15				
	2	2	4	6	8	10				
	1	1	2	3	4	5				
		1	2	3	4	5				

  

Likelihood			Low		Medium		High
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**Risk = Likelihood x Severity**

All risks must be reduced to as low as is reasonably practicable, by applying control measures that reduce the likelihood of an incident, severity of an incident, or both. Risks that are defined as 'high' after control measures have been applied, must be re-reviewed and further control measures implemented to reduce the risk to low or medium

HAZARD	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Factors of Harm		Risk Multiple of columns 1 x 2	CONTROL MEASURES	Factors of Harm		Residual risk Multiple of columns 5 x 6	Control measures implemented by (name)	Control Frequency Check Rate
	Likelihood	Severity			Likelihood	Severity			
Blisters, minor cuts, abrasions	3	2	6	Wear appropriate gloves for the task. Wear appropriate clothing i.e. long sleeves and trousers.	2	1	2	INDIVIDUALS	
Accidents with tools	3	3	9	Ensure appropriate training for the relevant tool has been received. Keep tools in good condition and if necessary maintain to manufacturers' instructions. Inspect work area and familiarise with the task in hand. Implement exclusion zone for other parties. Wear the appropriate PPE. Ensure that there is no lone working if using power tools.	2	1	2	Person undertaking task	
Uneven ground/ trip hazards	3	2	6	Be aware of the state of the ground at all times. Weather may increase the risk of slipping. Ensure that Footwear is appropriate with a good grip. Ensure all access routes are kept	2	1	2	Allotment holders	

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				clear and tidy. Report any damage/ maintenance issues with bridges to the committee.					
Ponds and waterways	3	3	9	Ensure that children are supervised at all times when in the boundary of the allotment. Water butts should not present a hazard to young children.	3	1	3	Allotment holders	
Waste management	3	3	9	All waste should be dealt with by the allotment holder. Broken glass from greenhouses and metal waste should be removed from site. Domestic waste must be removed and areas especially sheds should be free from rubbish to discourage rodents.	3	1	3	Allotment holders	
Composting, manures and general COSHH	3	2	6	Wear gloves at all times and follow manufacturers' guidelines for specific items. Thoroughly wash hands after any contact and wear a face mask if specified.	2	1	2	Allotment holders	

## Continuation Sheet

HAZARD	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Factors of Harm		Risk Multiple of columns 1 × 2	CONTROL MEASURES	Factors of Harm		Residual risk Multiple of columns 5 × 6	Control measures implemented by (name)	Control Frequency Check Rate
	Likelihood	Severity			Likelihood	Severity			
Wildlife	3	2	6	Be aware that wildlife is present in various forms. Report any concerns to the committee concerning nesting birds, rodent infestation, bee swarms, hedge hogs, foxes and possibly snakes. (adders). Bee hives and poultry cages are to be respected.	3	1	3	Allotment holders and visitors.	
Bonfires	3	3	9	Ensure bonfires are well planned with ample people in attendance. Use of accelerants should be discouraged. Bonfires should be checked for wildlife before setting alight. Ensure that the bonfire is contained within an area and not close to other forms of ignition. Ensure that contact can be made to the fire brigade if necessary.	3	1	3	Allotment holders	
Bacterial infections	3	3	9	Poor allotment hygiene may contribute to illness. Take care not to put hands in your mouth or near eyes whilst gardening. Hands should be washed thoroughly before eating, drinking or smoking. Cover cuts and grazes with appropriate dressing prior to working. Be aware that the waterway may pose a health risk due to the presence of rats.	3	1	3	Allotment holders and visitors	

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## Hierarchy of Risk Reduction

Elimination

Substitution

Engineering Controls

Signage / Warnings and / or Administrative Controls

PPE