

## Site Risk Assessment Record

Location: Asham Meads	Date of assessment: 17/1/2017		Nearest postcode: OX5 2RF	Main entrance OS Grid Ref: SP 59017 14318
Hazards/hazardous events	Who is affected?	Typical outcome	Precautions	Risk Level LxH=RL
Uneven ground due to roots, stones, holes and muddy paths causing slips, trips or falls.	Public. BBOWT workers	Bruises, sprains, minor cuts and grazes.	Maintain path surface.	Trivial
Thorny bushes along paths and in work areas.	Public. BBOWT workers	Cuts and grazes. Infections. Puncture wounds, eye damage.	Ensure paths are kept clear. Provide safety glasses if working in thorny area.	Slight
Falling dead wood in the form of either branches or trees.	Public. BBOWT workers	Head injuries, broken limbs, cuts and bruises.	Conform to COP 31 and carry out tree safety assessments and remedial work required. Areas used/worked in are to be checked for dangerous trees. No work should be carried out in high winds.	Moderate
Irritable and poisonous plants such as berries and fungi.	Public. BBOWT workers	Poisoning from ingestion.	Do not eat fungi, berries or other plant material. Wash hands after handling such material.	Slight
Stings from bees, wasps or hornets.	Public BBOWT workers	Allergic reaction to stings.	Be aware of any nests close by and do not get too close. All volunteers / staff should declare any known allergic reactions.	Slight
Water bodies.	Public. BBOWT workers	Drowning.	Access to water bodies to be discouraged. Route path away from edge of water body.	Moderate

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Contact with water.	Public. BBOWT workers	Weil's disease (Leptospirosis).	Cover cuts and abrasions and wash hands after contact with water. If flu like symptoms develop within 3- 19 days after contact with water visit doctor and inform of the possibility of Weils' disease.	<b>Slight</b>
Hogweed and wild parsnip.	Public. BBOWT workers	Blisters from a photosensitive skin reaction.	Avoid contact with plant especially when cutting. Wear gloves. Keep paths clear of the plant.	<b>Slight</b>
Ticks are known to be present on the reserve	Public, BBOWT workers	Infected bites or at worst Lyme's Disease	Long Trousers and sleeves should be worn in season, check body over after visit esp waist, legs, armpits. Remove with a twist, but ensure all mouthparts come free, if in doubt visit GP. Advise groups.	<b>slight</b>
Overhead service lines.	Public. BBOWT workers	Electrocution.	Inform workers of the presence of overhead service lines.	<b>Moderate</b>
Underground service lines. High pressure gas pipe line under lower rowsbottom	BBOWT workers.	Explosion or gas leak.	Inform workers of the presence of underground service lines.	<b>Moderate</b>

<b>Nearest telephone (landline):</b> SU 583159	<b>Emergency telephone number:</b>  999 or 112	<b>Access point/route for emergency services from road:</b>  5 miles south of Bicester. On Boarstall to Murcott road, just after bridge over M40. Continue west towards Murcott for 2 miles and take left turn to Whitecross Green Farm. Continue through farm yard/track and take left turn over sleeper bridge into BBOWT car park just before RSPB Otmoor reserve.
<b>Nearest A&amp;E department:</b>  <b>John Radcliffe Hospital</b> , Headley Way, Headington, Oxford, OX3 9DU  Tel: 01865 741166	<b>Type of access for emergency services:</b> <i>(delete as appropriate)</i>  Pedestrian    4WD	

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Work identified from site risk assessment	By whom	Date completed

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This checklist is designed to assist in the production of Site Risk Assessments. For those hazards present, more specific information should be provided, e.g. location within site and precautions required entered on SRA form. **This list is not comprehensive. Map is located in reserves office.**

No.	Risk	Present		Recorded on map
1	Steep slopes and banks	yes	no	
2	Drowning risk – deep water [pools, streams, rivers]	yes	no	
3	Fall hazards – rock outcrops, buildings, building foundations	yes	no	
4	Areas liable to flooding	yes	no	
5	Areas of permanent soft ground	yes	no	
6	Areas of soft ground following rain	yes	no	
7	Uneven path / track surfaces	yes	no	
8	Uneven ground	yes	no	
9	Remote areas	yes	no	
10	Dry weather fire hazard – heath, scrub, grass	yes	no	
11	Sun exposure – poor shade - burn / dehydration	yes	no	
12	Site used for walking [Inc dogs]	yes	no	
13	Children playing	yes	no	
14	Site used for horse riding	yes	no	
15	Site users include people with mobility problems	yes	no	
16	Site history of abuse [drunks, vandals, drugs, needle stick injury]	yes	no	
17	Site history of staff and/or volunteer intimidation	yes	no	
18	Fly-tipping	yes	no	
19	Unauthorised and/or authorised shooting [i.e. poaching/stalking]	yes	no	
20	Unauthorised vehicles [cars and motorbikes]	yes	no	
21	Difficult or restricted access / egress [esp. for heavy plant]	yes	no	
22	Authorised vehicles	yes	no	
23	Areas inaccessible to vehicles	yes	no	
24	Former landfill site	yes	no	
25	Proximity to public highway	yes	no	
26	Proximity to Public Rights of Way	yes	no	
27	Overhead service lines	yes	no	
28	Underground service lines	yes	no	
29	Barbed wire	yes	no	
30	Personal hygiene facilities	yes	no	
31	Poisoning from blue / green algae	yes	no	
32	Exposure to bracken [ carcinogenic spores] (see CoP 15)	yes	no	
33	Puncture wounds [blackthorn / hawthorn]	yes	no	
34	Wild parsnip burns	yes	no	
35	Giant hogweed burns (see CoP 15)	yes	no	
36	Poisonous berries	yes	no	
37	Poisonous fungi	yes	no	
38	Standing dead wood	yes	no	
39	Risk of Weils' disease (see CoP 15)	yes	no	
40	Site known for wasps	yes	no	
41	Site known for bees	yes	no	
42	Site known for hornets	yes	no	
43	Site known for adders	yes	no	
44	Site known for stray dogs	yes	no	
45	Site known for ticks [Lyme disease] (see CoP 15)	yes	no	
46	Site known for allergens [pollen / spores]	yes	no	
47	Injury to pregnancy – exposure to lambs [listeria, chlamydia]	yes	no	

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