

Site Risk Assessment Record

Location: Bacombe Hill	Date of assessment: 09/06/2017		Nearest postcode: HP22 6EL	Main entrance OS Grid Ref: SP 86375 07443
Hazards/hazardous events	Who is affected?	Typical outcome	Precautions	Risk Level LxH=RL
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Sun exposure.	Public. BBOWT workers	Dehydration and sunburn.	Use sun cream, drink plenty of fluids and protect skin by covering with light clothing.	Slight
Irritable and poisonous plants such as bracken, berries and fungi.	Public. BBOWT workers	Spores are carcinogenic. Poisoning from ingestion.	Do not work in bracken infested areas in July/August/September. Do not eat fungi, berries or other plant material. Wash hands after handling such material.	Slight
Dog faeces.	Public. BBOWT workers	Stomach upset from bacteria in faeces. Toxocariasis (an infection of the round worm <i>Toxocara cani</i>). Young children are at particular risk due to their weaker immune systems and greater chance of exposure.	Wear gloves if likely to come in contact with faeces. Wash hands before eating.	Slight

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Nearest telephone (landline): Neighbouring houses / Wendover	Emergency telephone number: 999 or 112	Access point/route for emergency services from road: Main and only vehicle entrance point located 300m SW of Wendover, on the Ellesborough road. Heading away from Wendover, entrance track is located on left hand side as road bends tightly to right (just before enter 40mph zone). Main gate is padlocked
Nearest A&E department: Stoke Mandeville Mandeville Road Aylesbury HP21 8AL Tel: 01296 315000 5 Miles	Type of access for emergency services: Pedestrian 2WD 4WD Air	

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5	Areas of permanent soft ground	yes	no	
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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	
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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	
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