

Site Risk Assessment Record

Location: Pavis, Northill and Black Woods	Date of assessment: 09/06/2017		Nearest postcode: Waterworks (bottom of crong) – HP23 6LB Woodside farm (top of crong)- HP23 6LB Painsend farm – HP23 6JU Hastoe entrance – HP23 6QS	Main entrance OS Grid Ref: SP 90508 08549
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. Re-route paths if deemed unsafe.	Slight
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 appropriate personal protective equipment if working in thorny area (refer to task risk assessment).	Slight
Steep slopes. Particularly on edge of hollow way and old stone pits.	Public. BBOWT workers	Bruises, sprains, minor cuts and grazes.	Ensure paths are kept clear and where possible routed away from any steep edges. Where path is routed down steep slope ensure that steps are in place and are well maintained	Slight
Horses. A number of bridleways cross reserves – possibility of horses being scared.	Public. BBOWT workers	Head injuries to the rider, from falling off. Injury to passer by from horse kicking.	Put up suitable signs when work is being done. Be aware of danger when working on bridleways.	Slight

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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.	Slight
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
Dog faeces.	Public. BBOWT workers	Stomach upset from bacteria in faeces. Toxocarias (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
Sun exposure.	Public. BBOWT workers	Dehydration and sunburn.	Use sun cream, drink plenty of fluids and protect skin by covering with light clothing.	Slight
Neighbouring shoot during winter.	Public. BBOWT workers	Gunshot injury.	Liaise with stalkers for dates and erect warning signs	Moderate
High risk trees.	Public. BBOWT workers	Head injuries, broken limbs, cuts and bruises, or other serious injury.	Assessment of areas of high risk to be carried out yearly and recorded. Consult record sheet to check for dangerous trees in work area.	Moderate

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Nearest telephone (landline): Neighbouring houses	Emergency telephone number: 999 or 112	Access point/route for emergency services from road: 5 miles south-east of Aylesbury.	
Nearest A&E department: Stoke Mandeville Hospital , Mandeville Road, Aylesbury. HP21 8AL Tel: 01296 315000 10 miles	Type of access for emergency services: Pedestrian 2WD 4WD	<p>For Waterworks entrance; take unclassified road just south of A41/B4009 junction, then right at T-junction; continue approx. 1 mile further on, look for entrance on left.</p> <p>For entrance at top of Crong continue on road (from Waterworks) for approx 500m; entrance to Pavis Wood is at top of hill on left hand side (through locked vehicle barrier).</p> <p>For entrance at Painsend Farm; take unclassified road just south of A41/B4009 junction, then left at T-junction, follow road for approx 600m then turn right. Follow this road until you get to a tight right hand bend. The entrance to the reserve is on left.</p> <p>For entrance to Pavis Wood at Hastoe end of site, take road to Hastoe from Tring. Proceed up Hastoe Hill, once entering village of Hastoe take right hand junction at crossroads onto Gadmore Lane. Follow this road for approx 500m. The entrance to the reserve is located on tight left hand bend (through locked vehicle barrier).</p>	
Assessment undertaken by: Stacey Hewitt	Position: Reserves Officer Bucks	Manager confirming assessment: Mark Vallance	Date for revision: 17/03/2019

Work identified from site risk assessment	By whom	Date completed
Carry out tree safety assessments	Reserves staff	annual
Task/work party leaders convey relevant information to participants	Reserves staff/Volunteer Reserve Warden/leader	

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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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