

Site risk assessment record

Berkshire
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Oxfordshire



Location: Two Rivers Way	Date of assessment: 18/05/2018	Nearest postcode: RG14 5TE	Main entrance OS Grid Ref : SU 491 674
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Hazards/hazardous events	Who is affected?	Typical outcome	Precautions	Risk Level LxH=RL
Uneven ground due to roots and stones, and muddy paths causing slips, trips or falls	Public. BBOWT workers	Bruises, sprains, minor cuts and grazes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warn of uneven ground to group. 	Likely x slight harm = slight
Thorny bushes eg gorse, along paths and in work areas.	Public. BBOWT workers	Cuts and grazes, Puncture wounds, eye damage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure paths are kept clear. Provide safety glasses if working in thorny area. 	Unlikely x harmful = slight
There are no PROWs or permissive routes on site, and although the site is closed, there are paths and tracks through from trespass	Public. BBOWT workers	Injury to passer by from conservation work taking place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Warn people working on site and put up suitable signs when work is being done. 	Unlikely x harmful = slight
There are numerous tall willows which have a tendency to crack and split. Dead branches in trees. Dead standing trees – risk of falling down	Public. BBOWT workers	Head injuries, cuts and bruises, (also property damage)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conform to COP 31, Tree safety assessment and any areas worked in are to be checked for dangerous trees. No tree work should be carried out in high winds. 	Unlikely x harmful = slight
Irritable and poisonous plants such as Hemlock water dropwort, bracken and Fungi.	Public. BBOWT workers	Spores are Carcinogenic Poisoning from ingestion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not work in bracken infested areas in August/September. Do not eat fungi, berries or other plant material. Wash hands after handling such material 	Unlikely x very harmful = moderate
Fast flowing rivers flow along the edge of the reserve, both have vegetation growing up to the banks	Public. BBOWT workers	Falling in, possibly drowning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advise to take care near banks and watch footing, do not work alone near banks. 	Unlikely x very harmful = moderate
Proximity to highway – Hambridge Road is a very busy route	BBOWT workers (incl contractors) motorists	Injury from contact with vehicles, or causing RTAs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work carried out by staff with a chance of impacting on the highway, use only certified contractors. 	Unlikely x very harmful = moderate
Stings from bees, wasps or hornets	Public. BBOWT workers	Allergic reaction to stings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be aware of any nests close by and do not get too close. All volunteers / staff should declare any known allergic reactions. 	Unlikely x harmful = slight

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Unlikely	Trivial	Slight	Moderate
Likely	Slight	Moderate	Substantial
Very likely	Moderate	Substantial	Intolerable

Livestock and/or wild animals' (incl rats' dung/urine, and dirty water may be present with the possibility of water borne disease	Public. BBOWT workers	Illness with leptospirosis (Weil's disease)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform workers or groups to practice good personal hygiene, esp prior to eating. Conform to CoP 15. 	Unlikely x harmful = slight
Temporary structures and large amounts of litter have been found before, which may include broken glass, or nails in wood	Public. BBOWT workers	Cuts or disease from contact with refuse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make a judgement on whether material is safe to collect, if not contractors will be needed and possibly police; if hazardous, EA should be notified. Care taken to dismantle structures. 	Unlikely x harmful = slight

Nearest telephone (landline): Residential properties or hotel or Swan Inn pub	Emergency telephone number 999 or 112			
Nearest A&E department: Royal Berkshire Hospital A&E, London Road, Reading, RG1 5AN Tel: 0118 322 7020 Minor Injuries – West Berks Community Hospital Rookes Way, Thatcham, RG18 3AS Tel: 01635 273 300	Type of access for emergency services (delete as appropriate) Pedestrian 2WD 4WD	Access point/route for emergency services from road: Access to the reserve is from Two Rivers Way itself , 100m south of A4/Hambridge Lane junction. There is no vehicle access onto the reserve (which lies both sides of the road), but the reserve is very small.		
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Work identified from site risk assessment	By whom	Date completed
Carry out tree safety assessments	Reserves staff	annual
Ensure safety notices are posted (livestock grazing, tree work, path works, contractors machinery present, flooding)	Reserves staff/ contractors	
Task/work party leaders convey relevant information to participants	Reserves staff/Volunteer Reserve Warden	

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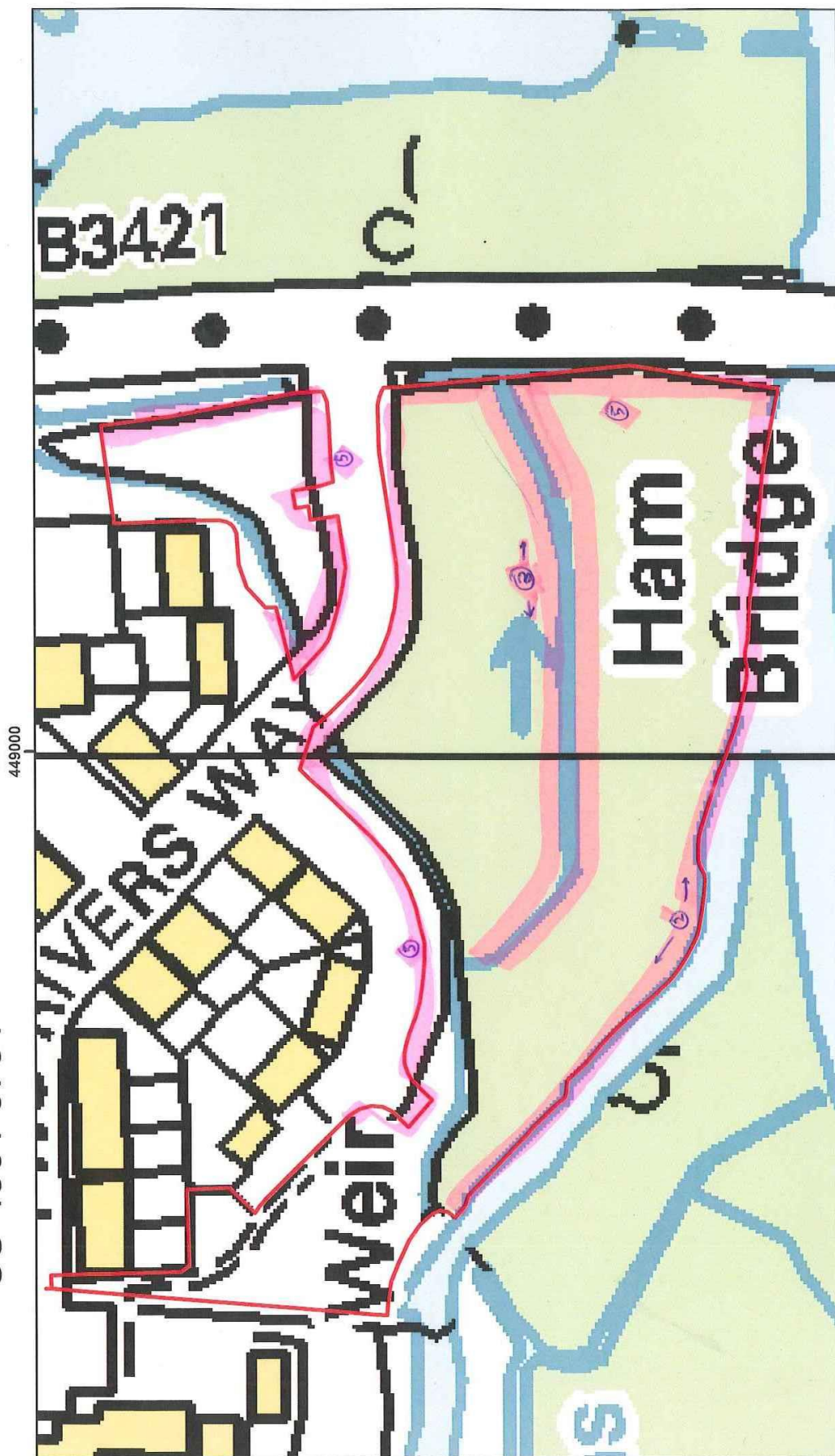
This checklist is designed to assist in the production of Site Risk Assessments. For those hazards present, more specific information should be provided, e.g. location within site and precautions required entered on SRA form. **This list is not comprehensive. Map is located in reserves office.**

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

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