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Werrington Parish Council Open Spaces Risk Assessment

Hazard and risk	People at Risk	Werrington Parish Council Controls	Additional
Open Spaces Pot holes in grass	Employees/Contractors/Public	• Contractor to report any holes after grass cutting • When holes are notices the warden is to fill then in	
Trees -Collapse -Structural damage	Employees/Contractors/Public	• Trees are inspected every 3 years and reports kept and recommendations carried out. • Council responds to concerns from employees, contractors and members of the public about tree conditions	
Fixed furniture Eg benches etc -Injury	Employees/Contractors/Public	• Benches are bolted to the ground. • Dog bins are inspected and emptied weekly. • Litter bins emptied and inspected regularly. • Any damage/vandalism formally reported and repaired.	

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Footpaths -Trips, slips and falls	Employees/Contractors/Public	• Footpaths are checked monthly for signs of damage. • Only contractor vehicles are permitted. • Grass growing over path edging cut back regularly, at least once a year • Moss on footpaths is cleared regularly. • Defects to footpaths are required as soon as practical, damage with H&S implications repaired as priority. • Damage to footpaths, caused by tree roots, monitored and actioned where damage is likely to pose trip hazard.	
Lone working -Violence -Accident	Employees	See separate assessment on lone working. • Employees advised not to approach large gangs of people. • Emergency contact with the Police.	
Use of drugs -Employees and/or public coming into contact with drugs, needles, body fluids etc.	Employees/public	• Employees advised of safe working procedures to deal with sharps and have suitable safety equipment.	

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		• Prompt response to complaints of sharps by public. • Police advised of the problem, liaison with District Council.	
Sexual activities -People coming into contact with body fluid	Employees/Public	• Employees aware of problem and provided with suitable protective clothing. • Carpark locked of an evening. • Police advised of the problem	