

Risk assessment template

Company name: Hollesley Parish Council – New Cemetery Maintenance (carried out by Mr George Collins (GC))

Assessment carried out by: Judi Hallett, Clerk to Hollesley Parish Council

Date of next review: 01/03/2025

Date assessment was carried out: 01/03/2024

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed	What are you already doing to control the risks?	What further action do you need to take to control the risks?	Who needs to carry out the action?	When is the action needed by?	Done
Grass Cutting Machine Tips Over	Visiting members of the public GC	GC places notice on Cemetery Gates to indicate maintenance is in progress	GC to inform family member of expected working hoursGC to carry working mobile phone at all timesGC to have First Aid Kit easily to hand at all times	GC	At all times	
Tree branches falling and damaging overhead power lines	Visiting members of the public GC Residents who are supplied electricity from this line.	Tree branches that overhung the electric cable which run through the cemetery have been clipped back by the electricity board	Tree Survey was requested but wrong location Surveyed. Second Survey to be organised by Clerk	Parish Clerk	May 2024	



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Lone contractor working on maintenance tasks could be injured or become ill carrying out his duties	GC Visiting Members of the public	Lone Contractor safe working practise includes telling his wife when he starts the tasks and when he finishes the task. Health and safety policy updated to reflect the requirements for contractors working alone	None	None	None	
Cutting the grass in the New Cemetery throws stones or glass up and could injure a person	Visiting Member of the public GC	Contractor ensure the safety guards on the machine are correctly positioned Notice is attached on the cemetery gate requesting members of the public not to enter the cemetery while the task is being completed.	None	None	None	



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Accident when using Hedge Trimmer	Visiting members of the public		Equipment fitted with safety cut off switch.	Clerk	At all times	
	GC		Gloves, overalls, ear defenders and visors provided and used by GC.			
			GC trained in correct use and storage of PPE.			
Hedge Trimmer causes vibration injury or hearing loss	GC		Gloves, overalls, ear defenders and visors provided and used by GC.	Clerk	At all times	
			GC instructed not to use Hedge Cutter for more than an hour at a time			
Fall from Height when using Hedge Trimmer	GC		GC instructed not to work on a ladder unless other trained personnel are involved in the operation and are providing support	Clerk	At all times	
			Gloves, overalls, ear defenders and visors provided and used by GC			
Fire when refuelling	GC		Strick no smoking policy	Clerk	At all times	
machinery			GC visually inspect work areas to minimise slip and trip hazards, removing any hazards as appropriate			



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Accident occurs when clearing a blockage from a piece of equipment	GC		Mowers/strimmer fitted with safety cut off devices. Operatives wear safety loves/goggles when carrying out this duty. Equipment is switched off.	Clerk	At all times	
Headstone topples over on to Mr Collins	GC	Stones are checked in a quinquennial Inspection	Diarise to arrange for inspection	Clerk	April 2024	

Adopted by Hollesley Parish Council on: 21st March 2024

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