

Ettington Parish Council Risk Assessment – Volunteers for Greener Ettington weeding ‘no-mow’ area at Playing Field (all volunteers must be 18 years or over unless accompanied by parent/guardian unless holding written consent of parent/guardian AND a Greener Ettington member with current DRB status is present).

Date Undertaken.....23/05/2021.....

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Approved by Ettington Parish Council on

Risk	Potential Impact	Likely Risk of Occurrence	Risk Level	Evidence of Mitigation Action needed	Status
	H (3)	M/L (2)	6		
Nettle sting or other similar sting type injury	1	2	2	Volunteers to take care to avoid handling or touching nettles with bare skin. Volunteers to be encouraged to wear gardening type gloves to mitigate risk.	
Bee sting or similar	1	1	1	Whilst a small minority of people can develop serious medical consequences from bee stings for the majority of people these present little more than a painful inconvenience.	
Sun burn	1	1	1	Volunteers are unlikely to be exposed for more than short periods of time. It is not anticipated volunteers will spend more than a short time engaged in weeding on any single occasion. Volunteers to be encouraged to wear sun screen and appropriate clothing.	

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Physical or verbal assault from member of the public	2	1	2	Whilst the likelihood of any confrontation from the public towards a volunteer is low to mitigate this risk volunteers to be encouraged to work with another person or a group and not to work alone. Those who choose to work alone must notify another person that they are doing so, when they are doing the activity and when they have finished. Volunteers to be reminded to avoid engaging in confrontation and to report any incidents of concern.	
Physical injury from gardening type activities	2	1	2	Volunteers are only to use equipment with which they are familiar and competent to use. The use of hand trowels and other similar type tools may be required. Should injury occur immediate medical assistance to be sought.	
Physical health	1	1	1	Volunteers should only undertake work if they are feeling well and in good health. Persons who are feeling unwell or are unfit to undertake the activity should not partake.	

Notes on Completion:

Risk: Think broadly about the risks that might occur – reputational, financial, harm to individuals, harm to environment etc. Summarise the risk

Potential Impact: Score from 1 – 3 with 1 being the ‘low’, 2 being ‘moderate; 3 being ‘high’.lowest. Examples might be Risk of death or disability – 3: Risk of nettle sting – 1;

Likely Risk of Occurrence: Score from 1-3 with 1 being ‘low’; 2 being ‘medium’ and 3 being high.

Risk Level: Reached by multiplying scores of Risk x potential impact. Lowest possible score being 1 and highest possible score being 9.

Evidence of Mitigation Action needed (complete in red): describe what has been done (needs to be done) to reduce the risk and include new impact, occurrence and risk levels)

Status: for comment which might be risk mitigated, date for completion of action needed.