

RISK ASSESSMENT

Location:		Parish of Sourton		Signed:			A Horn	
				Date:			February 2026	
				Review Date:			February 2027	
Activity/ Process	Hazard Identified	Existing Controls	Who Might Be Harmed and How	Level of Risk			Further Action Required	Completed
				A	B	C		
Site Visits	Lone visits	A minimum of 2 councillors will go on a site visit. If circumstances change and only 1 is available to go the site visit will be cancelled.	Councillors	1	2	2		
	Health and Safety	Clerk to be told where and when the site visit will take place. Councillors have council mobile number in case of emergency	Councillors Public	1	3	3		
	Unhappy applicant	Site visits will be arranged beforehand if possible. If no response councillors will only stand on public land/highways and look as best, they can. If an applicant is unhappy with the councillors being there, they will leave and not argue with the applicant	Councillors Public	1	4	4		
	Building Site	Hard hats requested from developer plus hi viz. Councillors will follow all guidelines as set out by the developer. Please note appropriate footwear must be worn	Councillors Public	1	3	3		

RISK / PRIORITY INDICATOR KEY

Risk assessment intended to cover all risks associated with the job in one reference source including CoSHH, handling, etc.

Severity	Scale	Likelihood
Cuts or bruises, minor temporary irritations	1	Very remote. Has never happened.
Deep cuts, minor burns, eye skin or lung irritation, small electric shock, temporary problems from repetitive tasks, small scalds. Short term infection risks which will not lead to lost time. Broken finger / toe. <u>One or two day</u> bad back pain. Multiple people experiencing multiple level 1 cases.	2	Unlikely. Happened once.
Broken limb, potential short-term eye or lung damage or minor repetitive problems, sensitisation, short term back pain (> 2 days), large electric shock, infection risks which whilst not life threatening may lead to lost time. Chemical burns to skin with lasting effects for up to <u>one month</u> , multiple level 2 cases.	3	Possible. Happened once, a few <u>near-misses</u> .
Total/Partial disablement, loss of fingers, serious head, long term eye injury, long term lung damage, long term / chronic health effects inc. back problems, hearing damage, potentially serious long term health risks from infection, coma, chemical burn with permanent scarring, multiple level 3 cases.	4	Likely. Injury has resulted a few times.
Death, major fire, explosion, multiple level 4 and 5 cases.	5	Almost certain. Injury happens regularly.

Items requiring action to be planned using a balance of available resources versus overall risk level:

- Items rated 1 to 5. Very low risk. Consider remedial action only where excessive costs are not incurred.
- Items rated 6 to 15. Low to medium risk. Plan remedial action over the medium term, balancing costs and risk.
- Items rated 16 to 20. High risks. Treat as a priority for action to reduce to eliminate the risk.
- Items rated 21 to 25. Extremely high risk of imminent serious injury. Recommend prohibiting the work until remedial action undertaken.