

Stoke St Michael Risk Assessment for the Millennium Green and the Lychgate

Location

Millennium Green and the Lychgate are located at the bottom of Church Street.

Description

Area of public open space comprising of grassed areas, bridge, stream, shrub beds and trees.

Hazard	Who	Level of Risk	Action
Trips and falls typically giving rise to minor cuts and abrasions, twisted ankles, etc	Public	Medium	Care to be taken by individuals; should be alert to local surface conditions.
Falling trees and branches causing injury	Public	Medium	Regular inspections take place. Qualified tree surgeon will be appointed to inspect the trees.
Scratches from low hanging branches and bushes	Public	Low	Branches and bushes to be removed as required.
Dog Bites	Public	Low	All dogs taken to the Millennium Green and Lychgate are the owners' responsibility. All reported incidents to be reported to the PCSO.
Dog Faeces	Public	Low	A dog waste bin is located within the area
Paths – slips/trips	Public	Low	Visual inspections by Parish Council members, a monthly checklist is completed and kept. Prompt response to observed hazards. Damage repaired as soon as possible, or immediately if a serious H & S hazard. Weekly inspection by Council Members

Grass Areas	Public	Low	Grass areas inspected when grass is cut. Any reports from Parish Council members or members of the public responded to quickly.
Fixed Furniture Benches, dog and litters bins	Public	Low	There is one bench which is fixed to the ground by screws. Visual check by members of the Council. Any reported damaged repaired promptly. Litter and dog bins firmly fixed and inspected. All bins emptied regularly
Walls	Public	Low	Visual Check by members of the Council. Rapid response when repairs need doing. Care to be taken by individuals if stepping over the low wall.
Access to the Stream	Public -	Medium	Whilst there is no barrier between the Millennium Green and the Stream, the stream is narrow so access to either bank is within reach. The stream is kept running free without obstruction.
Lychgate	Public	Low	Care to be taken by individuals, should be alert to local surface conditions.
Footbridge	Public	Low	Care to be taken by individuals, should be alert to local surface conditions

Note: Level risk represents both the likelihood of occurrence as well as the severity of injury.

User groups arranging activities on site are required to complete their own risk assessment.

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