

BYRAM-CUM-SUTTON PARISH COUNCIL

RISK ASSESSMENT STATEMENT - 2025

Possible Risk	Possible Consequences	Action Taken
Meeting place hazards	Councillors and visitors tripping over trailing wires; heaters over-heating; exits blocked; debris etc on pathway Parish council sued for injuries	No trailing wires, unsafe flooring or chairs Nothing put on heaters Exit doors kept clear and key to hand Path clear and free from debris etc Adequate public liability insurance
Play area – surfaces	Children falling, tripping, injuring them selves Injury from broken glass, litter, debris etc. Parish council sued	Grass cut and checked regularly for even surface Regular checks for glass, litter, debris etc. Adequate insurance cover
Play area – equipment	Injury to users from faulty equipment Parish council sued	Annual RoSPA checks; recommendations implemented Adequate insurance cover
Proximity of play area to road	Children running into road – injury Parish council sued	Adequate insurance cover
Grass cutting	Personal injury Damage to machinery Parish council sued	Grass cutters made aware of health and safety issues Areas checked for stones Adequate insurance cover
Trees overhanging footpaths, obscuring lights and falling	Pedestrian and animal injury Property and vehicle damage Parish council sued	Trees inspected regularly and trimmed as necessary Dead trees removed Adequate insurance cover
Damaged street lights	Injury to pedestrians, cyclists, vehicles and property Parish council sued	Checked and maintained regularly by NYCC Adequate insurance cover
Flooding	Injury to people Damage to property	Parish council consulting with bodies concerned
Nettles, brambles, weeds etc obstructing footpaths including Flower Boxes	Injury to pedestrians Parish council sued	Parish council checks and requests clearance of weeds Adequate insurance cover

Agreed by Byram Parish Council on 17.07.25 Minute no. JULY '25