

Dog Risk Assessment Sedgeford Playing Field

Company name: Sedgeford Village Hall Management Committee Assessment carried out by: J Ward

Date of next review: June 2025

Date assessment was carried out: June 2024

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Microbiological - toxocariasis campylobacter/salmonella.	Adults and Children using the Playing Areas are at risk of infection.	There is a dog bin in the playing fields area.	Ensure that signs are posted in the vicinity of the Playing Fields to encourage responsible dog control.	Management Committee.	Dog Bin in place.	✓
	Pathogenic organisms could contaminate wounds or broken skin.	A dog bag dispenser is available on the Village Hall wall offering free dog disposal bags.	Maintenance person to fill dispenser	Maintenance person	Dog bag dispenser in place	✓
		No Dog Fouling Signs Plan for signs posted to remind dog walkers to	Increase number and size of signs	Trustees/ Borough Council	Signage in place.	✓

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	<p>Trustees and maintenance person carrying out weekly checks and patrols spraying the dog poo to avoid others standing in it.</p> <p>Members of the public by absorption of faecal deposits through the skin</p>	<p>act responsibly and clear up after their dogs.</p> <p>Trustees and maintenance person carrying out weekly checks and patrols spraying the dog poo to avoid others standing in it.</p> <p>The fenced Children's play area is checked weekly.</p> <p>Residents to be informed through the village newsletter every 6 months and on the</p>	<p>Publicise the information regarding the Parish Clerks contact details.</p> <p>Maintenance person to pass on the information to Trustees.</p> <p>Chair of trustees to add a reminder to the Village newsletter every 6 months.</p>	<p>Maintenance person</p> <p>Chair of trustees</p>	<p>More signage to be added.</p> <p>In Place</p> <p>In Place</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>

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		<p>village hall and Parish Council website.</p> <p>Residents can report dog fouling and unattended dogs to the Parish Clerk for further action. clerk@sedgefordparish-council.gov.uk</p> <p>Leaflet drop of Borough Council posters to each resident in the village.</p> <p>Keep a record of the level of fouling on a weekly basis.</p> <p>Residents reporting any incident observed of a</p>	<p>Make residents aware they can report dog fouling</p> <p>Obtain leaflets from the Borough Council</p> <p>Maintenance person to pass on the information to Trustees. Continue to report incidents.</p>	<p>Trustees</p> <p>Parish Clerk</p> <p>Parish Clerk</p> <p>Maintenance person</p> <p>Parish Clerk</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>Weekly</p> <p>When reported</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>

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		<p>dog fouling the playing field to the Parish Clerk. The clerk to report to the Borough Council. When the field is being used for special events areas of the field may be fenced to ensure that the area can be kept clean</p>	<p>The area to be checked prior to the start of an event to ensure as far as is possible all remains of any dog poo have been removed.</p>	<p>Trustees and maintenance person</p>	<p>When required</p>	
<p>Harm from airborne particles.</p>	<p>While it is necessary to trim long growth around the field edge – it is possible that there may be dog faeces or other unknown material</p>	<p>Care should be taken when strimming, the operator should be aware of the direction of ejected material from the trimmer and should ensure that no one is within 10m of the work in the direction of concern.</p>	<p>Remind the public not to be in an area where the grass is being trimmed and ensure the operator knows that they need to consider wind direction and the presence of the public when they are working</p>	<p>Trustees, the contractor and the public. Trustees to speak with the contractor.</p>	<p>ASAP</p>	<p>Done</p>

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	<p>present but not visible. Strimming such material may cause small particles to be liberated and become airborne.</p>					
<p>Harm from Chalk based spray to highlight a problem of dog fouling on the playing Field.</p>	<p>Any person using the spray</p>	<p>Inform the operatives of the dangers to their health.</p>	<p>Ensure operatives; - Fully read and follow instructions on the can. Wash eyes immediately with water and consult medical advice if any concerns continue. Wash hands with soap and water after use.</p>	<p>Maintenance person and Trustees.</p>	<p>Immediately</p>	

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			Be mindful of the area you are walking in and avoid such things as low branches. Wear Gloves when applying the spray.			

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