

## **Beaworthy Parish Council**

### **Health and Safety Policy**

Beaworthy Parish Council (BPC) is committed to ensuring that Health and Safety is a priority in everything we do. In accordance with the requirements of The Health and Safety at Work Act (1974), and The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations (1998), accepts its duty to provide and maintain safe and healthy working conditions for its employees. It also accepts its duty of care to other persons such as residents, volunteers and contractors who work on behalf of the Council.

BPC will not make decisions that we believe will adversely affect the environment in which we live. We will consider the environmental impact of the things we do.

In promoting good Health and Safety we will ensure that we take the necessary safety precautions if organising events, completing community tasks, or arranging for contract work to be completed.

Risk assessments will be prepared in line with the requirements of the Council's Insurance Policy.

Risk assessments and safety guidelines for events organised by BPC shall be posted on the Parish Council Website prior to the event taking place. ([www.beaworthyparish.com](http://www.beaworthyparish.com))

**CONTRACTORS** - The Council will ensure that any contractor working on our behalf will have supplied the necessary HSE information and assessments before being allowed to perform any given task. As a minimum, each and every contract will require the completion of a risk assessment. The responsibility for the completion and supply of this risk assessment lies with the contractor, not the council.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY PROCEDURES REPORTING ACCIDENTS** All accidents, no matter how small, must be reported in the first instance to the Clerk. Thereafter, all such accidents will be brought to the attention of the Council. In the event of a serious injury or dangerous occurrence, the Chairperson, or in his absence the Vice Chairperson should be informed immediately.

**REVISION OF SAFETY POLICIES AND PROCEDURES** The Council will revise this policy statement as often as may be appropriate to ensure the contents remain accurate and valid in light of changing practices and statutory requirements.

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