

Document Control

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WOODTON PARISH COUNCIL LITTER PICK – RISK ASSESSMENT

Location: Parish-wide (roads, verges, footpaths, open spaces)

Date:

Event Lead:

Key Risks & Safety Controls

Traffic (roads/verges)

- Wear high-visibility vests at all times
- Avoid fast/busy roads, blind bends, and narrow verges
- Face oncoming traffic where possible
- Children must be supervised

Sharp Objects (glass, metal, needles)

- Wear protective gloves and use litter pickers
- Do NOT handle sharps (e.g. needles) – report location
- Carry basic first aid kit

Hazardous Materials

- Do not touch unknown substances or chemicals
- Mark and report to the local authority
- Wash hands before eating/drinking

Manual Handling

- Do not lift heavy or bulky items
- Use safe lifting techniques or work in pairs
- Leave large items for council collection

Slips, Trips & Falls

- Wear sturdy footwear
- Take care on uneven, wet, or sloped ground
- Avoid working in poor weather

Weather Conditions

- Dress appropriately for conditions
- Bring water/sun protection or waterproofs
- Take regular breaks

Biological Hazards

- Avoid contact with dog waste or vermin
- Use gloves and litter pickers

- Wash hands after activity

Public Interaction

- Be polite and avoid confrontation
- Report any issues to the event lead

Emergency Procedures

- Emergency: **Call 999**
- Minor injuries: treat with first aid kit
- Report all incidents to the Event Lead

Important Information

- Safety briefing given before starting
- Children must be supervised at all times
- Equipment provided: hi-vis vests, gloves, litter pickers, bags

Signed (Event Lead):

Date: