

CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

Corfe Castle Parish Council Risk Assessment – Environment Group Gods Acre Plant Survey

The following risks have been identified and are being managed by the Corfe Castle Parish Council:

Risks Assessment carried out by	Clerk - Michelle Harrington
Date of Assessment:	18 April 2023
Next Review Date	Annually

Level of Risk: L= Low, M= Medium, H= High

Subject	Risk(s) Identified	Level of Risk L/M/H	Management/ Control of Risk
Uneven or slippery terrain Gravestones and low growing bushes, shrubs or bramble causing in trip hazards Steep terrain	Slips trips and falls	L	Survey leader to check the survey area for any uneven areas and trip hazards and point these out during the survey briefing and as the survey progresses. Plants on the steep banks down to the Corfe River tributary only to be surveyed from the top of the bank.
Lighting	Ability to see trip hazards or obstructions	L	Event carried out during day light hours only.
Weather	Becoming cold and / or wet.	L	Everyone to wear appropriate clothing. Survey to be cancelled or curtailed if weather becomes too cold or wet.

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Scratches, cuts or abrasions	All people involved with the survey who are touching plant material with spikes, or rough edges may sustain light scratches or abrasions. Low hanging tree branches or brambles causing facial or upper body injuries.	M	All people involved to be advised during the survey briefing to take care when handling such plant material. Survey leader to check the survey area for low hanging branches and point these out during the survey briefing and as the survey progresses.
All	Any unforeseen risks	L	Survey leader to carry out dynamic risk assessment continuously during the event, and put in place additional mitigations as required. If it is not possible to mitigate the risks, the survey is to be cancelled or curtailed.

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