

# NESTON TOWN COUNCIL SITE RISK ASSESMENT: RABY PARK ROAD

ASSESSMENT DATE: 24.03.2025

RISK CALCULATION				
LIKELIHOOD OF OCCURRENCE (L)		HAZARD SEVERITY (S)		RISK RATING (R)
1. Very unlikely 2. Unlikely 3. Possible 4. Likely 5. Very likely	X	1. Negligible 2. Slight 3. Moderate 4. High 5. Very high	=	1 to 5      LOW 6 to 10     MEDIUM 11+         HIGH

HAZARDS	WHO/WHAT WILL BE AFFECTED	RISK			CONTROL MEASURES	RESIDUAL RISK		
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Overhanging trees from beyond the boundary causing excessive shade on plots and potential risk of injury (all perimeter trees are on adjoining land).	Tenants, visitors, officers	4	4	16	Periodic site inspections undertaken by officers. All owners of adjoining land have agreed for NTC to sensitively prune along the perimeter on the allotment side of the boundary and all confirmed they did not require prunings to be returned. Pruning of the mature trees only to be undertaken by a qualified tree surgeon with appropriate insurance. All tenants to be given advance notice of perimeter pruning work and advised to avoid visiting the site for the duration.	3	2	6
Central access path becoming uneven and/or slippery or obstructions being caused by debris.	Tenants, visitors, officers	3	4	12	Periodic site inspections undertaken by officers and action to be taken where obstructions or potentially dangerous paving slabs are discovered.	3	2	6
Main gate - loose hinges, unsafe structure, sharp metal/rust, difficulty in opening/closing. Padlock difficult to open/close either preventing access or preventing the securing of the site.	Tenants, visitors, officers	3	3	9	Periodic site inspections undertaken by officers and repairs arranged as necessary. Marine grade padlock fitted and padlock lubricated periodically.	2	2	4
Damaged perimeter fence might cause injury and allow unauthorised access leading to increased risk of theft, vandalism and damage.	Tenants, visitors, officers	3	4	12	Periodic site inspection undertaken by officers. Fences to be kept in good repair. Tenants are aware of how to report any damage as soon as it occurs.	3	2	6
Accumulation of rubbish causing risk to wildlife and/or people.	Tenants, visitors, officers, wildlife and wider environmental damage.	4	4	16	Periodic site inspections and consequent issuing of "notices to improve/quit" as required. Officers arrange swift removal of any rubbish left by previous tenants.	3	2	6
Vermin infestation risking public health and damage to crops and equipment.	Tenants, visitors, officers.	5	3	15	Periodic inspections and tenants to keep plots clear of rubbish. Pest control services provided where necessary.	4	2	8

Uncovered water butts – risk of children falling in and getting trapped, risk of contamination, health risk posed by stagnant water, risk to wildlife falling in and getting trapped.	Tenants, visitors, officers, wildlife.	3	3	9	Periodic site inspections will include checks that any rainwater collection containers are not sunk into the ground, that contains are covered where possible and free of debris. Also to check that containers are not covered by any flimsy or rotten materials that a child could fall through.	2	2	4
Burning of rubbish on site causing nuisance and risk of fire spreading.	Tenants, visitors, officers, neighbouring residents. Risk to wildlife.	4	5	20	Tenancy agreement forbids lighting of any fires on site.	1	1	1
Risks associated with site clearance/repair works have been assessed in a separate risk assessment.								