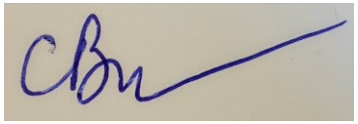
Risk Assessment

Site/area:	Graveley Village

Name and position of person carrying out risk assessment:	**Signature:**	**Date:**
Chris Bentley - Cllr. Graveley Parish Council		27-02-2024

Identification of hazards	**Risk level**				**Control procedure to reduce risk**	**Level of risk after implementation of control procedures**			
	High	**Med**	**Low**	**N/A**		**High**	**Med**	**Low**	**N/A**
Containers, gas bottles, or large cans		4			Unlikely. If encountered residents will be advised to notify Parish Council Councilor, leaving in situ for later collection to be arranged with SCDC Shared Special Waste Services Team.			2	
Local environmental conditions		4			Outdoor event held during fine/cold conditions. Volunteers to dress for the conditions and to bring gloves. Covid still prevalent (all UK Gov measures removed as February 2022) Volunteers to observe social distancing. Special care taken around passing traffic. Motorists advised of litter pick with signage on entering the village. Pick taking place within village 30mph limits only. Children to supervised by Adults at all times.			2	
Hazardous waste		4			Unlikely. If encountered residents will be advised to notify Parish Council Councilor, leaving in situ for later collection to be arranged with SCDC Shared Special Waste Services Team.			2	
Sharp objects		4			Likely. Sharp objects (glass, metal etc) may be encountered during the litter pick. Volunteers to be advised during safety briefing to wear PPP. Gripper gloves and litter picking sticks provided by SCDC for the activity and offered to all volunteers. Adults to take responsibility for picking any sharp objects.		3		
Heavy objects		3			Unlikely. If encountered residents will be advised to notify Parish Council Councilor, leaving in situ for later collection to be arranged with SCDC Shared Special Waste Services Team.			1	
Dead/injured animals		3			Likely. Bag safely using litter pickers and PPP (gloves) if small enough. Larger dead animals should be left in situ (unless posing hazard to road users, in which case moved to the side of the road wearing PPP then reported to GPC Councilor for onward reporting to SCDC. Injured animals to be reported to Parish Council Councilor.			1	

Identification of hazards	Risk level				Control procedure to reduce risk	Level of risk after implementation of control procedures			
	High	Med	Low	N/A		High	Med	Low	N/A
Animal faeces		6			Likley. Volunteers to be advised during safety briefing to wear PPP. Gripper gloves and litter picking sticks provided by SCDC for the activity offered to all volunteers. Preferable that adults dispose of animal faeces safely.			2	
Asbestos		4			Very unlikely to encounter. Volunteers advised to notify Parish Council Councilor, leaving in situ			0	
Terrain		4			Terrain could present a risk, including hedges, fences, walls and ditches. Water including ponds can present a risk. Poor ground conditions can cause slips and trips and result in personal injury. Volunteers advised to wear suitable footwear and be vigilant to ground conditions.			2	
Highways Vehicles		4			Very likely. Volunteers advised to be vigilant to vehicles and remain within the 30mph limits of the village.			2	
Weather		4			Very likely. Volunteers advised to be alert to the weather and wear suitable clothing.			2	
Animals / Insects		4			Likely. Volunteers advised to be vigilant for loose dogs or livestock. Insect bites or stings to be treated as required.			2	
Dangerous Plants		4			Unlikely. Stings to be treated as required.			2	
Other			2		If anything unusual encountered residents will be advised to notify Parish Council Councilor, leaving in situ for later collection to be arranged with SCDC Shared Special Waste Services Team.			0	

People especially at risk
For example younger children.

Risk = severity x likelihood	
Severity rating	Likelihood
0 = No injury or illness	0 = Zero to very low
1 = First aid injury or illness	1 = Very unlikely
2 = Minor injury or illness	2 = Unlikely
3 = Over 3 day injury or illness	3 = Likely
4 = Major injury or illness	4 = Very likely
5 = Fatality or permanent disability	5 = Almost certain

Volunteer Litter Picking Guide

- Wear appropriate clothing and footwear.
- Beware of loose dogs or livestock and avoid contact with animals.
- Seek medical attention if bitten or stung.
- Do not move heavy objects without appropriate manual handling training or mechanical aids.
- Do not approach or remove containers which you suspect may contain or have contracted chemicals – report to parish councillor.
- Avoid climbing wall, ditches, and fences.
- Avoid lone working and always work in pairs.
- If working near the highway, wear high visibility clothing and be aware of passing traffic. Remain within the 30mph limits of the village.
- Always wear gloves and use a litter picker.
- Thoroughly wash hands after all work.