

GREAT ALNE PARISH COUNCIL

RISK ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT 2016

Area	Risk	Level	Control <i>(and agreed improvements)</i>
Assets	Protection of physical assets	M	Equipment/ Footpath lights etc insured.
	Maintenance of equipment and streetlights	M	Playground equipment currently maintained on an ad hoc basis. Planned maintenance programme of electrical and safety equipment in place.
Finance	Banking	M	Accounts held with high street bank
	Risk of consequential loss of income	M	Insurance cover. Sum insured £10,000 (to cover loss of income and relocating office). Important documents backed-up and taken off premises.
	Loss of cash through theft or dishonesty	M	Receipts issued.
	Financial controls and records	M	Monthly reconciliation prepared by Clerk and reported to Council at each meeting. Two signatories on cheques. Invoice and cheques stubs countersigned. Internal and external audit. Internal financial checks at months 5 & 9 of the financial year.
	Comply with Customs and Excise Regulations	L	Use help line when necessary. VAT claims calculated by Clerk. Internal and external auditor to provide double check.
	Sound budgeting to underlie annual precept	M	Council receives detailed budgets in the late autumn. Precept derived directly from this. Expenditure against budget reported to Council
	Complying with borrowing restrictions	L	No borrowing likely at present.
Liability	Risk to third party, property or individuals	M	Adequate insurance in place. Open spaces checked regularly. Trees investigated when damage reported.
	Legal liability as consequence of asset ownership (playground, Footpath lights)	H	Insurance in place. H&S checklist operated & weekly checks of playground undertaken. Written records kept - annual check by ROSPA associated independent inspector of playgrounds.

Employer Liability	Comply with Employment Law	M	Membership of various national and regional bodies.
	Comply with Inland Revenue requirements	M	Regular advice from Inland Revenue. Internal and external auditors carry out annual checks.
Legal Liability	Ensuring activities are within legal powers	H	Clerk clarifies legal position on any new proposal. Legal advice to be sought where necessary.
	Proper and timely reporting via the Minutes	M	Council meets bimonthly and receives and approves Minutes of previous meeting. However, Draft Minutes are published within one month of the meeting taking place. Draft and Approved Minutes are made available to press and public via the website, email or by contacting the Clerk.
	Proper document control	M	Documents are held by Clerk. Other data storage to comply with Data Protection Act. Electronic documents are backed up on a monthly basis. Antivirus subscription purchased annually.
Councillor priority	Registers of Interests and gifts and hospitality	H	Register of interest completed and available on the website. Gifts and hospitality register to be considered at May meeting.

This risk management paper was considered by the Parish Council on
and will be reviewed again in 12 months.