

Risk Assessment for Community Litter Pick

As a volunteer or person responsible for volunteers (in the case of those aged under 16) it is important to review the individual situation and risks arising however this form provides a summary of potential hazards and risks to you or others and what solutions (control measures) have been identified to minimise these risks. In cases where you are responsible for others by signing this form you confirm that you have made those other people aware of the control measures contained in this document.

Organisation taking part	Little Waltham Parish Council
Individual signing the form	
Signature	
Date	

Activity :

Picking up litter and putting it in a disposable sack

Significant hazards/risks :

- Disease and infection can be caused by direct physical contact with some waste
- Cuts can be caused by sharp items of waste
- Disease can be caused from dog faeces
- Trip hazards from uneven surfaces
- Vehicular traffic
- Infection from Covid 19

Who could be harmed?

- The volunteers
- Those working alongside the volunteers

Competence Requirement

The most important thing is to look after yourself or those for whom you have responsibility. If at any point you do not feel confident that you or a person for whom you have responsibility can complete a particular task then you should stop or stop the person for whom you are responsible.

General Control measures

- To wear hardy gloves for the duration of the task
- To only wear your own gloves and not to share gloves
- To use any litter picking tools provided and do not share litter picking equipment

- To listen and heed any specific instructions provided to you
- Do not put waste near your eyes or mouth
- To wear the hi viz clothing provided and do not share clothing
- Do not pick up dog faeces or any item soiled with dog faeces
- Do not pick up sharp objects such as broken glass or needles
- To request a fresh litter sack if your sack feels too heavy to carry
- Do remain aware of your surroundings so as to reduce the risk of trip hazards and also traffic hazards.
- Each group should have at least one person in possession of a mobile phone
- Do wear suitable footwear with non-slip soles. Open toe shoes and flip flops are not suitable footwear for this task.
- To bring and use your own hand sanitiser
- **To maintain a social distance of two meters between yourself and others who are not in your household**
- Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult and one adult may not be responsible for more than four children.
- **Do not litter pick on the public highway – to avoid traffic hazards you may only litter pick on a pavement or grass verge**

Please return this signed form to the Clerk