

RISK REGISTER

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Wards affected:	College Ward; Town Ward; Woodcote and Langley Vale Ward;
Appendices (attached):	None.

Summary

This report presents the risk register for the Epsom and Walton Downs for review and note by the Conservators.

Recommendation (s)

The Conservators are asked to:

- (1) Review and note the strategic risk register located at Appendix 1.**

1 Reason for Recommendation

- 1.1 It is good practice for the Conservators to have and regularly review a risk register for the Downs. By identifying and assessing potential risks to the Downs, the Conservators can gain assurance that its condition is being maintained adequately, habitats are protected, and the proper controls are in place to protect the public and activities held on the Downs.

2 Background

- 2.1 The Conservators have particular responsibilities as a group and as a partnership working collaboratively. Maintaining a risk register is therefore a prudent activity to support the proactive management of the Downs.
- 2.2 Appendix 1 sets out the strategic risk register for the Conservators and covers health and safety, legal responsibility, insurance, and event management. Many risks are managed daily through internal controls, policies and procedures.

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2.3 The risks are scored according to the following risk matrix:

Likelihood	4 Very likely	4	8	12	16
	3 Likely	3	6	9	12
	2 Possible	2	4	6	8
	1 Remote	1	2	3	4
	<i>Multiplier</i>	1	2	3	4
		Insignificant	Medium	High	Severe
		Impact			

Key

Red	High risks
Amber	Medium risks
Green	Low risks
Yellow	Risk tolerance boundary

2.4 The committee is asked to review and note the risk register and make recommendations for amendments if required

3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

3.1.1 None arises from this report although when carrying out events on the Downs a EqlA will be carried out if appropriate

3.2 Crime & Disorder

3.2.1 None arising from this report but there are crime and disorder events that are considered as risks and for which action will be taken to prevent

3.3 Safeguarding

3.3.1 One of the risks that we have regards safeguarding

3.4 Dependencies

3.4.1 None

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3.5 Other

3.5.1 none

4 Financial Implications

4.1 The risks as set out (appendix 1) have financial and non-financial consequences, therefore sound risk management is important.

4.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** None

5 Legal Implications

5.1 **Legal Officer's comments:** None arising from the contents of this report

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships

6.1 **Council's Key Priorities:** The following Key Priorities are engaged:

- Risk Management strategy

6.2 **Service Plans:** The matter is not included within the current Service Delivery Plan.

6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations:** None directly

6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications:** See above

6.5 **Partnerships:** The E&WDC is a partnership

7 Background papers

7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

Previous reports:

- None.

Other papers:

- None.