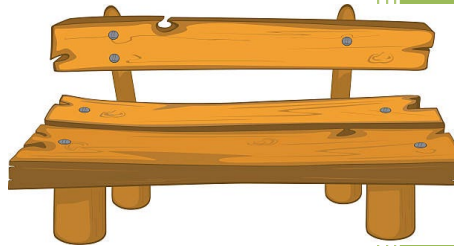
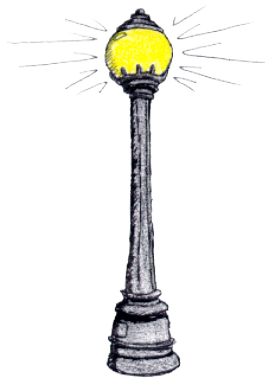


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WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL STREET FURNITURE RISK ASSESSMENT



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Version History

Version	Reviewed at	Approved at
Version 1.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 12 th October 2016	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 12 th October 2016
Version 2.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 14 th February 2018	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on
Version 2.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 13 th February 2019	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 13 th February 2019
Version 2.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 8 th July 2020	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 8 th July 2020
Version 2.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 12 th January 2022	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 12 th January 2022
Version 3.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 13 th April 2022	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 13 th April 2022
Version 3.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 12 th October 2022	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 12 th October 2022
Version 4.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 8 th May 2024	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 8 th May 2024
Version 4.00	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 14 th May 2025	Full Council Meeting of Wootton Parish Council on 14 th May 2025

To be reviewed annually.

Assessed Risk: Street Furniture		Assessed by: Sue Edgar Playford Clerk to the Council and Responsible Financial Officer	Date: 25 th April 2025
SEVERITY OF HARM → LIKELIHOOD OF HARM ↓	NEGLECTIBLE Superficial injuries, minor cuts, and bruises	MODERATE Minor fractures or ill health leading to minor disability	SEVERE Multiple injuries, major fractures, fatalities
IMPROBABLE	SLIGHT	TOLERABLE	MODERATE
POSSIBLE	TOLERABLE	MODERATE	SUBSTANTIAL
FREQUENT	MODERATE	SUBSTANTIAL	INTOLERABLE

Nature of Hazard?	Who might be harmed and how?	Actions already in place,	Further actions required to manage this risk?	Action to be taken by whom?	Further actions by when?	Date completed
Slip or trip resulting in impact with the Street Furniture (benches, bollards, bus shelters, lecterns, litter and dog bins and street lighting)	General public – accident risk of slipping on the surrounding surface	Periodic visual checks of the area around the furniture to ensure there are no uneven surfaces	Report any defects found to the Clerk to the Council	Nominated councillor/Clerk to the Council	As they occur	Ongoing Inspection carried out by the Clerk and Chairman during early April 2025
Injury resulting from fault or general wear/condition of Street Furniture (benches, bollards, bus shelters, lecterns, litter and dog bins and street lighting)	General public - if furniture collapses and causes injury due to fault or wear	Periodic visual checks of the furniture to ensure it is securely fixed and undamaged	Report any defects found to the Clerk to the Council	Nominated councillor/Clerk to the Council	As they occur	Ongoing Inspection carried out by the Clerk and Chairman during

						early April 2025. The Clerk will be compiling a list of dog mess bins requiring replacement due to wear and tear
Injury due to impact by motor vehicle (benches, bollards, bus shelters, lecterns, litter and dog bins and street lighting)	General public where furniture is sited on narrow footpath	Periodic check to ensure narrow footways are not being blocked	Report any defects found to the Clerk to the Council	Nominated councillor/Clerk to the Council	As they occur	Ongoing Inspection carried out by the Clerk and Chairman during early April 2025
Injury caused by faulty street lighting	General Public – electrocution resulting in injury or death	Periodic checks to all WPC-owned columns: WPC¹ owns: - one column along Hall End Road (numbered 15) - one column along Potters Cross (numbered 3) Both columns are sited on privately-owned land. All other columns are	Report any defects found to the Clerk to the Council Both columns were subject to ATOMS² testing by Andy Muskett Ltd on 23rd February 2021. Next inspection is due in February 2027	Clerk to the Council	As they occur	Ongoing A visual inspection (to check for exposed wiring and any obvious issues) was carried out by the Clerk and Chairman during early April 2025

¹ Wootton Parish Council.

² Asset Management Toolkit: Minor Structures – Foundation (Institution of Lighting Professionals).

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