Hawkshead Parish Council - Assessment of Risks 2016/17 FIVE STEPS TO RISK ASSESSMENT

1 Look for the hazards Identify hazards and decide who might be harmed and how	3 Evaluate the risks arising from the hazards and decide if existing precautions are adequate, or not	4 Record the findings and bring significant risks to the attention of Council	5 Review when necessary and revise accordingly
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Area	Risk	Level	Action proposed	Risk to Council	Action taken
	Protection of physical assets	М	Insure street furniture	Material damage	Public Liability Insurance up to £10 m.[including 5 public benches and 3 notice boards]
ASSETS	Security of equipment	н	Insurance cover	Loss or damage	Clerk's home contents insurance
	Lost Records	М	Security of records	Loss of information	Current records are stored on two portable hard drives belonging to the Council, one in the Clerk's possession and one in the Chairman's possession
	Security of Snowplough and ancillary equipment	н	Insurance cover when equipmen is not in use	Loss or damage	Insurance cover provided by Eric Taylforth
FINANCE	Loss of cash through dishonesty	Н	Insurance cover	Loss caused by fraud or dishonesty	Fidelity Guarantee Insurance up to £25 k
	Financial controls and records	М	Quarterly internal audits carried out by Council	Qualified Audit opinion	Accounts signed off quarterly
	Risk to third party, property or individuals	М	Insurance cover	Loss or injury to members of the public	Public Liability Insurance up to £10m and inspection of open spaces, trees and other hazards
LIABILITY	Accident or assault on Clerk or Councillors	н	Insurance cover	Injuries sustained	Accident and Assault cover up to £500,000
	Risk to third party caused by or involving the snowplough and ancillary equipment	н	Insurance cover whilst in use	Injury to people and/or damage to property	Insurance cover provided by Shaun Taylforth
LEGAL LIABILITY	Risk of Council taking illegal action on any matter	Н	Clerk clarifies legal position on any new proposal	Litigation	Membership of CALC Seek legal advice when necessary

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EMPLOYEES	Injury to Clerk whilst carrying out Council duties	L	Insurance cover	Absence of Clerk	Employer's Liability up to £10m
	Absence from duty of Clerk	М	Seek temporary cover	Inability to conduct business	Contact CALC for temporary cover
CONTRACTORS (own insurance)	Contractor [David Barr] unable to perform duty	L	Roadside maintenance can be delayed	No risk for delayed roadside maintenance	No action necessary in the short-term
(own insurance)	Contractor [Shaun Taylforth] unable to perform duty	Н	Snowploughing and gritting must not be delayed	Injury to people or damage to property	Councillor W. Barr has agreed to take temporary responsibility for snowploughing and gritting
VOLUNTEERS	Risk of injury whilst carrying out Beck Warden duties	Н	Two Inspection platforms provided by the Environment Agency accessible via locked gates	Injury or death	Frances Berry, Kit Garside & Dave Spedding provided with a key to the gates, also a rake for clearing debris. Each volunteer warden issued with Log Book to record inspections, this contains Health & Safety instruction and advice in front cover. Insurance cover under Personal Accident section
PUBLIC	Calling of a referendum	М	To earmark reserve fund	Loss of revenue	Make provision in budget
	Exercise of electors' rights	L	To earmark reserve fund	Loss of revenue	Make provision in budget