

WYCK RISSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL: RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN: MAY 2026 WORKING DRAFT

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Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Score	Measures (or mitigations) to manage risk	Notes
Cutting & lifting the green: death, injury, vehicular collision, other damage arising from use of agricultural plant	L	M	L	• Use experienced contractor with necessary competences • Check contractor has public liability insurance • Obtain advance notice of cut	The Council has adopted a management plan for the green based on twice yearly cutting and lifting the 1 st cut. Normal landscape companies are not prepared to do this and historically we have had to rely on a single agricultural contractor. While the contractor has the experience and expertise, and PLI, we have not historically been able to obtain advance notice of when the cut will take place
Large trees: death, injury arising from collapse of trees	L	M	L	• Carry out tree condition surveys every 3 years & address actions arising	The triennial survey and works arising were completed in 2024.
Large Pond: death by drowning	L	M	L	• Maintain existing fence to large pond	The pond is not deep enough to warrant installation of a life belt.
Village Hall: financial liability arising from hand back of hall	L	M	L	• Obtain annual statements of account from the Wyck Rissington Village Hall Charitable Trust in accordance with para 14 of the deeds	The Trust actively raises funds and has modelled life cycle maintenance costs, but there is the risk ultimately that the hall could be handed back if the Trust has insufficient funds.

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Inspection chambers: injury arising from loose/damaged inspection chamber covers	L	M	L	- Annual inspection following last cut of the year - Repair of chambers when damaged	There are a large number of chambers, many of which relate to historic drainage runs not maintained by Thames Water. These have frequently been damaged/dislodged during annual cuts
Financial loss: actual/reputational loss as a result of poor management/fraud/legal claims	L	M	L	- Adherence to Financial Regulations - Annual Internal Audit - Division of responsibilities – i.e. creation and authorisation of payments by different Councillors - Insurance - Legal advice and management	Financial regulations are subject to annual review .
Debt: PC is forced into debt due to unavoidable expenditure exceeding reserves	L	H	L	Adjust precept to maintain a suitable level of reserves	Budgets to plan year end reserves provide suitable cover in light of future expenditure in accordance with Financial Regulations
Events: death/injury/reputational/ loss arising from accidents where permission has been given to use the green	L	L	L	- Scrutinise proposals to use green - Assess risks : obtain any necessary assurances before granting permission	Co-ordinate with Village Hall committee where necessary.
Data: disruption arising from loss of financial data	L	L	L	Effective back-up regime	As set out in Financial regulations