

FRIENDS OF ROCKLIFFE GARDENS

Risk Assessment - Volunteer Litter Picking

This Risk Assessment is to ensure the health, safety and welfare of any participants in volunteer litter picking has been considered and that all reasonable precautions and controls are in place prior to litter pick/clean up activity taking place. Any queries please contact us or ask the Organiser on the day.

Also note that:

- Volunteers under 18 years must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or if left unattended the correct parental consent has been received.

Potential risk	Controls in place
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Injury; cuts and grazes Sunburn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All volunteers to use provided litter pickers to collect rubbish and put in the provided black plastic bags. Feet should not be unprotected– sturdy shoes, boots or trainers are recommended. Where appropriate gloves should be worn In hot weather, wearing a hat and use of sunblock when needed Volunteers should not enter ponds without appropriate equipment First aider normally on-site
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dog Fouling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteers finding dog fouling should not touch it If found warn others in the vicinity
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dogs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain vigilance for dogs off leads Children should remain under adult supervision and within sight of adults at all times
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact with Hazardous Chemicals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any suspicious drums, materials or containers with contents not identifiable to be left untouched Organiser to contact Greenwich Council for disposal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lifting heavy items 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All volunteers should leave bulky items alone and inform organiser Organiser to contact Greenwich Council for disposal
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding – children and vulnerable adults in a public area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All children and any vulnerable adults to be accompanied by responsible adult (parent, carer or teacher) No child to be out of sight of a responsible adult Volunteers on site to maintain vigilance where members of the public not participating in the event are using the same public space The organiser at the start of the litter pick welcomes and introduces volunteers to each other
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cuts and possible infection through contact with Sharps and Syringes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteers finding syringes should not touch them, but immediately notify the Litter pick organiser. All work must then cease in this particular area The Litter pick organiser to notify Greenwich council for suitable disposal Any accidental piercing by syringe should be immediately treated at medical practice or A & E
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteers not familiar with safety procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An appropriate link to this Risk Assessment is provided on the Friends of Rockcliffe Gardens web-site to brief volunteers. The organiser should advise new volunteers of the above risks and general information about correct use of the equipment and the site. Volunteers are advised to ask if they need clarification on the above risk and general information about correct use of the equipment and the site.