Risk assessment – Bench situated on Southleigh Hill

Date of next review: July 2023 Date assessment was carried out: July 2022

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing to control the risks?	What further action do you need to take to control the risks?	Who needs to carry out the action?	When is the action needed by?	Done
Slips, trips and falls when accessing the bench	Members of the public accessing the bench Risk of minor injury	Access of the bench is at the discretion of users. The bench is situated on a level base accessed off the road which is maintained by Devon Highways. The area is subject to regular visual inspections	Contractor enlisted to make any repairs Bench to be taped off and marked as out of use should any damage be discovered	Clerk	Ongoing	Ongoing

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Vandalism	Members of the public accessing the bench Could be at risk of minor injury	Regular visual inspections and carrying out repairs as necessary	Contractor enlisted to make any repairs Bench to be taped off and marked as out of use should any damage be discovered	Clerk	Ongoing	Ongoing
General wear and tear / aging	Members of the public accessing the bench Could be at risk of minor injury	Regular visual inspections and carrying out repairs as necessary	Contractor enlisted to make any repairs Bench to be taped off and marked as out of use should any damage be discovered	Clerk	Ongoing	Ongoing
Lack of Maintenance	Members of the public accessing the bench Could be at risk of minor injury	Regular visual inspections and carrying out repairs as necessary	Contractor enlisted to make any repairs Bench to be taped off and marked as out of use should any damage be discovered	Clerk	Ongoing	Ongoing

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Damage to seat and back slats	Members of the public accessing the bench Could be at risk of minor injury	Regular visual inspections and carrying out repairs as necessary	Contractor enlisted to make any repairs Bench to be taped off and marked as out of use should any damage be discovered	Clerk	Ongoing	Ongoing
Damage to bench by vehicles	Members of the public accessing the bench Could be at risk of injury if they were sat on the bench at the time	Regular visual inspections and carrying out repairs as necessary Ensuring that the bench is in full view in order that vehicles can avoid it	Contractor enlisted to make any repairs Bench to be taped off and marked as out of use should any damage be discovered	Clerk	Ongoing	Ongoing