

Coppett Hill Risk Assessment - Draft

Health and Safety Executive

Company name: Coppett Hill Common Trust Limited

Assessment carried out by: Joel Perkin

Date of next review: TBA

Date assessment was carried out: 23/4/2024

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
Falling Trees and/or branches All hill users	All hill users CHCT volunteers CHCT Work Parties Contractors working on behalf of CHCT	Survey paths etc regularly to identify potential issues trees etc. as part of the programmed safety walks by hill volunteers. Schedule regular work parties to address identified issues and mobilise volunteer teams to address acute matters arising. Implement a policy to manage tree cover with focus on Ash/Ash dieback Use of competent tree surgeons for high risk activities Brief CHCT volunteers on potential hazards and extant hazards.	Draft tree management plan with professional advisor and get plan endorsed by forestry commission Draw up annual safety walks plan for 2024	CHCT Directors M. Robery	End FY 2024/5 End June 2024	

Uneven Paths and steps, slips and trips	All hill users CHCT volunteers CHCT Work Parties Contractors working on behalf of CHCT	Survey paths etc regularly to identify potential issues trees etc. as part of the programmed safety walks by hill volunteers. Schedule regular work parties to address identified issues and mobilise volunteer teams to address acute matters arising. Provide posted information for hill users to stay on marked paths Provide safety brief for all volunteers and contractors working off the marked paths	None yet identified	Repair of “Snakes and Ladders” step and hand rail.	I Brown M Bracebridge	End May 2024
Power tools & hand tools	CHCT volunteers CHCT work parties Hill users close by during works	Restrict use of tools to volunteers over 18 years of age Brief all volunteers on safe practice prior to all activities Provide appropriate PPE for activities being undertaken	Provide warning notices to alert all hill users to on going works	Directors	Available for next schedule work party event	20 th October
Biological hazards (animal faeces and animal carcasses, poisonous and noxious sap etc)	CHCT volunteers CHCT work parties Hill users	Brief all volunteers on safe practice prior to all activities.	Provide antiseptic wipes for all programmed activities	J. Perkin	Available for next schedule work party event	20 th October
Wild Animals	All hill users CHCT work parties CHCT volunteers	Brief all volunteers on safe practice prior to all activities – particularly during the deer rut and if boar are encountered.	None	N/A	N/A	N/A

	Contractors working on behalf of CHCT	Remind all volunteers of their responsibilities wrt reptiles				
Falls from heights (Cliffs and other steep drops)	Local Children Rock climbers Hill users leaving marked paths CHCT volunteers CHCT work parties	Brief all volunteers on safe practice prior to all activities, particularly if leaving marked paths Provide notices at access points as to the need to stay on marked paths"	None	N/A	N/A	N/A
Alpine Tractor	Tractor users CHCT volunteers working with tractor user All hill users in close proximity to tractor while in use	Restrict use of tractor to volunteers who;- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 18 years old; • Hold a driving licence; • Received a full brief on safe use of the alpine tractor • Assessed as competent by directors' representative Place warning notices on all access points to the areas being mown Use a banks man during mowing operations. Ensure charged mobile phone is available during operations, and it is able to connect to a provider. Provide reference guidance and safety reference on use of	Provide reference guidance and safety reference on use of tractor to all users.	TBI	Post closed season for mowing 2024	

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Chemical hazards (Petrol and diesel)	CHCT work parties CHCT volunteers Contractors working on behalf of CHCT	Brief all volunteers on safe practice prior to all activities	Provide spill kit for work parties suitable for petrol and diesel	J. Perkin	Post mowing season 2024	
Fire	Coppett Hill Residents CHCT volunteers Fire service	Provided residents with advice from the fire service on maintaining a fire break Only engage fire incidents through fire service	None	N/A	N/A	N/A

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