**DRAUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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| **RISK ASSESSMENT – VERGE TRIMMING** | | | |
| **Hazard** | **Risk of hazard occurring** | **Persons affected** | **Controls to minimise risk** |
| Ignition of fuel leading to fire, explosion or skin burns, especially during re-fuelling | Low | Operator  Occupant of property where equipment stored | Equipment refuelled outdoors using funnel.  No smoking allowed.  Petrol keg and fuel tank securely capped after use. |
| Injury from contact with moving parts | High | Operator & team members. | Equipment serviced every three years by competent person.  Guards and their fixings checked by operator before and after every use.  Team instructions include safe system of work. |
| Road traffic incident whilst moving equipment from place to place. | Medium | Operator & team members. | All road movements have second person to watch the road.  Hi vis garments /tabards made available to all team members. |
| Strain injury whilst operating equipment. | High | Operator & team members | Team instructions include correct techniques for manual handling of equipment.  Minimum 2 people in team, to cope with occasional need for manhandling. |
| Road traffic incident whilst mowing or strimming. | High | Operator, team members, passing pedestrian, cyclists. | Team wear hi vis tabard or garments.  One member of team always on lookout duty. |
| Accident caused by Operator with insufficient knowledge. | High | Team members, passing pedestrians, cyclists. | All team members receive written instructions in equipment operation (including safe system of work) and a copy of this risk assessment. |