

KERRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL – RISK ASSESSMENT 2025-2026 UPDATED MR MAY 25

Identified Risk	Potential consequences of Risk	Impact H/M/L	Likelihood	Persons responsible	Action
Compliance to Insurance Company guidelines	Insurance cover negated due to Council's failure to complete required risk assessments.	H	M	KCC	<p>Risk assessments documented and carried out as per Insurance schedule dictates.</p> <p>Council to give clear indication of persons responsible for specific areas requiring regular monitoring. i.e., Public Toilets, Cemetery etc.</p>
Legal liability arising from management of Kerry Public Toilets.	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage.	H	M	Amenities Committee	<p>Following the renovation of the toilets the Legionella risk has to be managed.</p> <p>The primary method used to control the risk from Legionella is water temperature control.</p> <p>Water services should be operated at temperatures that prevent Legionella growth where appropriate and according to manufactures' instructions.</p> <p>General guidance;</p> <p>Hot water storage cylinders (calorifiers) should store water at 60°C or higher</p> <p>Hot water should be distributed at 50°C or higher (thermostatic mixer valves need to be fitted as close as possible to outlets, where a scald risk is identified).</p> <p>Cold water should be stored and distributed below 20°C.</p> <p>A competent person should routinely check, inspect and clean the system, in accordance with the risk assessment.</p> <p>The facilities should be assessed for any trip hazards and actioned i.e., using high visibility paint.</p> <p>Contactors working on site to provide evidence of public liability insurance.</p>

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Legal Liability arising from Asset ownership of Dolforgan Footbridge.	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage.	H	L	KCC	<p>Visual inspection of the bridge and surrounding river bank and vegetation following extreme weather conditions.</p> <p>Annual visual inspection of overall condition of the structure and surrounding area by a person with some knowledge of the building trade.</p> <p>Full structural survey every five years.</p>
Legal Liability arising from Asset ownership of Kerry Cemetery	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage.	H	L	Chair Clerk	<p>Documented Annual survey of headstones and grave furniture.</p> <p>Visual inspection following extreme weather conditions.</p> <p>Contactors working on site to provide evidence of public liability insurance.</p> <p>Ensure that the Kerry Cemetery Rules/ Regulations are kept up to date in line with current legislation and good practice.</p>
Legal Liability arising from Asset ownership of Children's Play areas.	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage.	H	L	<p>KCC</p> <p>Playground Caretaker – KCC Employee</p>	<p>Contactors working on site to provide evidence of public liability Insurance.</p> <p>To contract an annual ROSPA report and to ensure work required is completed.</p> <p>Visual inspection following extreme weather conditions.</p> <p>Weekly documented visual inspection of all sites.</p> <p>Maintenance & installation of new equipment to be completed by specialist contractors with appropriate qualifications.</p>

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Legal Liability arising from Asset ownership of Dolforgan Park – Trees (TPOs)	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage.	H	M	KCC	Regular Arboricultural Surveys by approved surveyors. BS5837 tree surveys or equivalent. Annual Inspection by Council and following periods of bad weather/ high winds. Prompt action as detailed in any surveys. Adherence to TPO regulations/ guidance.
Legal Liability arising from Asset ownership of Dolforgan Park – Riparian Responsibilities to centre of the reiver Mule	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage.	H	M	KCC	Documented Visual Annual Inspection by Councillors Inspection following adverse weather conditions. Prompt Action to be taken as required following issues noted. Ensure the natural flow of water, prevent erosion of riverbanks and pollution. Work with risk management authorities and adhere to legal safeguards to manage any flood risks effectively. Protect the environment and wildlife habitats, which includes not disturbing certain species or their habitats and preventing the spread of invasive species
Employer liability for Lone Workers and Councillors carrying out council duties	Litigation made by an individual through injury or damage	H	L	KCC	Ensure all staff/ councillors have an emergency contact while lone working. Ensure all staff/ councillors are aware of the accident reporting process. Ensure all staff/ councillors are aware of how to deal with threats/ violence either via training and/or in house instruction. Enabling staff/ councillors to Assess, De-escalate, Seek help, Withdraw and Report.

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Financial Liability for Assets Under Management	Unable to meet financial obligations regarding the proper maintenance of assets	H	M	KCC	<p>Budget preparation to ensure that there are adequate reserves to cover anticipated, scheduled and unexpected liabilities/ maintenance issues arising from the Assets Under Management.</p> <p>Ensuring proper and stringent financial governance to mitigate any financial losses/errors as detailed in KCC Financial Regulations/ KCC Standing Orders.</p>
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End of Risk Assessment.

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