Writtle Parish Council Allotments Risk Assessment

Hazardous rubbish	Regular inspections to ensure that plot holders do not leave broken glass and other hazardous materials on the allotment	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk
Garden Tools can be a hazard if they are not stored properly or left lying around the plot when not in use	Regular inspections.	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk
Pesticides and fertilisers left in the open	Regular inspections to ensure that no chemicals are kept in the open and are securely locked away from children in clearly marked containers. Ensure that plot holders know the rules regarding storage and use of chemicals on their own plots.	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk
Hazards for wildlife on allotments include - litter, low level fruit netting, use of pesticides, open drains, slug pellets, mowing, strimming and broken glass	The Schedule covers safe use of the plot including rubbish disposal and storage. Regular inspections.	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk
Vermin - Rats carry diseases	Plot holders must be vigilent and contact the parish council if there are any signs of infestation. No food to be left in sheds.	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk
Using pegs, stakes or similar items so that they do not cause a trip hazard, orerhang or obstruct adjacent plots.	Ensure regular inspections.	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk
Growth of notifiable weeds or plants and risk of being prosecuted	Plot holders must be vigilent and contact the parish council if there are any signs of notifiable weeds.	Plot holders and Councillors / Asst Clerk