RISK ASSESSMENT for Bee Keeping at Huntspond Road Allotment Site

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HAZARD NO.	HAZARD		NITIAL R	ISK	CONTROL MEASURE		RESIDUAL RISK		
		L	H P	R		L	H P	R	
	REMEMBER THE WHAT'S 1. WHAT CAN GO WRONG? 2. WHAT CAN CAUSE IT TO GO WRONG? 3. WHAT CAN BE DONE TO PREVENT IT GOING WRONG? 4. STOP AND ASSESS								
1.	 Bee sting, people at risk off, Vandalism of bee hives, people at risk off; Passers-by Visitors to apiary Vandals 	3	2	6	 Site hives away from footpaths and screen from view as much as practicably possible; Ensure that a "Hazard, bees at work " sign is sited at access points approx 5 mtr from hive; Only trained and adequately protected bee keepers to approach the hives; Hives should be sited at a suitable distance from public paths out of bee flight path; Hives should be protected from accidental intrusion by animals or humans; Warning signs must be in place to prevent accidental contact with the hives; Operator and visitors will wear suitable protective clothing; Each hive should be on a stable base to reduce likelihood of being knocked over; Hives should be opened only by or in the presence of a skilled operator; 	2	2	4	

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2.	❖ Bee swarm in public area	3	3	9	 Site manager have phone numbers of beekeepers who can deal with the swarm; The Apiary Manager should be called if a swarm cluster is discovered; Colonies to be managed for non aggression and low susceptibility to swarming; Colonies will be moved in the evening or early morning; 	2	2	4	
3.	Muscle strain MANUAL HANDLING MUSCULAR/SKELETAL INJURY TO BACK/ARMS/LEGS AND BODY.	3	4	12	 All operatives to be familiar with correct manual handling techniques; Always use mechanical methods when possible Work in teams when lifting bulky items by hand Observe the correct lifting posture and always assess the lift before attempting 	1	4	4	
4.	❖ Fire	2	3	6	Operator must ensure that smokers have been extinguished after use.	1	1	1	
5.	❖ Anaphylactic shock	2	5	10	 Beekeepers to wear adequate protective equipment; Bee sting first aid advice to be posted on noticeboard. 	2	3	6	

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	CERTAINTY	5	10	15	20	25			
	PROBABLE	4	8	12	16	20			
(L)	POSSIBLE	3	6	9	12	15			
LIKELYHOOD	REMOTE	2	4	6	8	10			
	IMPROBABLE	1	2	3	4	5			
		(HP) HARM POTENTIAL / ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT (E)							
	(SH) (HP)	Negligible scratch or bruise.	Minor Laceration or first aid, single sting.	Serious Medical treatment, multiple stings.	Major Broken bone. Disease	Fatality			
	(E)	Contained		Local small fire/property damage		Major fire			
ACTION PRIORITIES	1 TO 6	CAUTION	8 TO 10 SU	PERVISION	12 TO 25 RE	CONSIDER			