

Ashtead Common Detailed Risk Register

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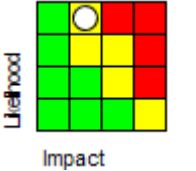
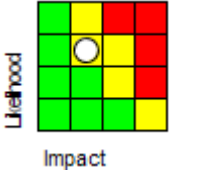

Risk no, title, creation date, owner	Risk Description (Cause, Event, Impact)	Current Risk Rating & Score		Risk Update and date of update	Target Risk Rating & Score		Target Date/Risk Approach	Current Risk score change indicator
ENV-NE-AC 004 Local Planning Issues	<p>Cause: Pressure on Planning Authorities to meet housing targets. Failure to monitor and challenge housing and other development plans. Lack of partnership working with Planning Authorities and inclusion in Local Development Plans. Lack of resources to employ specialist support or carry out necessary monitoring/research.</p> <p>Event: Increase in housing or other developments on land affecting Ashtead Common.</p> <p>Effect: Increase in visitor numbers and general recreation pressure; potential decline in biodiversity due to disturbance and habitat quality; increase in air, light and noise pollution; decrease in water availability; increased hydrological pollution risk; increase in traffic on local road network.</p>		<p>8</p>	<p>Local plans continue to be developed and are scrutinised and commented on when required.</p> <p>Epsom and Ewell Council have begun consultation on a new Local Plan that could see significant residential development in the vicinity of Ashtead Common. Locally there are limited resources to engage with this process. For this reason the risk score remains 8 (likely / serious). This will be an extended consultation process; therefore the target date has been set to March 2025.</p> <p>The Local Plans of Mole Valley and Kingston generally protect the immediate environs of Ashtead Common. However, possible areas for development are identified within the general area, and this could increase</p>		<p>6</p>	<p>31-Mar-2025</p>	

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24-Feb-2022 Andy Thwaites				pressures on the Common in the long term. 23 Aug 2023			Reduce	Constant
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Action no	Action description	Latest Note	Action owner	Latest Note Date	Due Date
ENV-NE-AC 004c	Keep situation under regular review.	This situation is kept under regular review.	Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-Mar-2024

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ENV-NE-AC 009 Maintenance of buildings and other structures 15-Jun-2022 Andy Thwaites	Cause: Poor condition of buildings and other structures, combined with inadequate planned and/or reactive maintenance, reduced CWP budget and limited capital programme. Event: Structures, specifically byelaw boards, deteriorate to an unsafe condition. Effect: Potential serious injury to a member of the public, or member of staff; disruption to service delivery/performance; financial loss; reputational damage as a result of legal action and/or negative publicity.		8	Byelaw boards may deteriorate over time with lack of preventative maintenance. They may become unsound and present a health and safety risk. External contractors have assessed three boards as needing to be replaced. The boards are monitored on a regular basis and defects are reported to City Surveyor's (CSD) Facilities Management Team to address. The CWP has not allocated any money for this issue for the 2023/24 financial year, therefore CSD do not have the resources to carry out necessary works. In the interim, local staff do remove any unsafe byelaw boards themselves. We continue to work with City Surveyor's to resolve service delivery issues. 23 Aug 2023		6	31-Mar-2024	
							Reduce	

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ENV-NE-AC 009a	Monitor byelaw boards, report on condition and remove any which become unsound.	Byelaw boards are monitored on a regular basis. Any which become unsafe are removed. A request for capital funding was requested Friday 18/8/23 to remove and replace the 6 boards.	Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-Mar-2024

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		The outcome of this is still pending a decision			
ENV-NE-AC 009b	Explore alternative funding sources to replace byelaw boards.	As the CWP has not allocated any money for this issue for the 2023/24 financial year, CSD are unable to carry out necessary works on our behalf. Therefore, we are seeking alternative sources of funding to replace boards ourselves. This would, however, potentially compromise a unified corporate image across the Natural Environment Division.	Geoff Sinclair; Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-Mar-2024

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ENV-NE-AC 006 Climate and weather 24-Feb-2022 Andy Thwaites	<p>Causes: Climate change causes severe wind, drought or floods to occur more frequently.</p> <p>Event: More frequent and severe storms or fires at Ashtead Common.</p> <p>Effect: Injury or death to staff, visitors, contractors and volunteers; damage/loss of rare/fragile habitats and species; service capability disrupted; temporary site closures; increased demand for staff resources to respond to incidents and maintain site safety; increased costs for reactive management.</p>		6	Fire is by far the biggest risk to Ashtead Common. Although a number of measures are taken to manage the impact of this risk, we are unable to reduce the likelihood of it occurring. 22 Aug 2023		6		Constant
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ENV-NE-AC 006a	Review and update Fire Management Plan bi-annually. Habitat fire management and monitoring policies and plans are in place and link to staff training and local emergency services.	Major emergency plan produces were shared with Surrey Fire and Rescue in May 2022. This will next be done in May 2024, unless changing circumstances require an interim review	Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-May-2024
ENV-NE-AC 006b	Storm monitoring & management and closure policies are in place and are linked to high staff awareness and training	The site continues to monitor and respond to warnings of extreme weather.	Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-Mar-2024
ENV-NE-AC 006c	Understand the potential impacts of climate change on Ashtead Common. Engage in climate change research and debate.	The site continues to monitor and respond to warnings of extreme weather.	Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-Mar-2024

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ENV-NE-AC 001 Budget reduction and income loss 24-Feb-2022 Andy Thwaites	Cause: Potential reductions in budget and income. Event: The City of London reduces its budget for Ashted Common, or external funding is reduced. Effect: Financial failure; failure of key services; loss of staff; failure to maintain habitats on site; reduction in the ability to manage threats; significant reduction in service to users; reputational damage.	 Likelihood Impact	4	This risk remains low for Ashted Common. Additional Countryside Stewardship funding has been secured up to 2031. Therefore, the current likelihood of this risk occurring is 'unlikely'. 23 Aug 2023	 Likelihood Impact	4	Accept	 Constant
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ENV-NE-AC 001a	Keep risk under regular review.	This risk is kept under regular review.	Andy Thwaites	22-Aug-2023	31-Dec-2023