Open Spaces Risk Register

Code	Description (Cause, Event, Impact)	Risk owner	Current Risk Matrix	Target Risk Matrix	Target Date
CR11	Cause: The earth dams on Hampstead Heath are vulnerable to erosion caused by overtopping Event: Severe rainfall event which causes erosion which results in breach, leading to failure of one or more dams Impact: Loss of life within the downstream community and disruption to property and infrastructure – including Kings Cross station and the Royal Free Hospital. A major emergency response would need to be initiated by Camden Council and the police at a time when they are likely to already be dealing with significant surface water flooding. Damage to downstream buildings and infrastructure would result in significant re-build costs. The City's reputation would be damaged. An inquiry and legal action could be launched against the City.	Sue Ireland	Impact	Impact	31-Oct-2016

The Ponds Project has been

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	initiated to mitigate this risk as the current interim mitigations of telemetry, weather monitoring, an on-site emergency action plan do not address the issue of the dam's vulnerability to overtopping				
OSD 001	Causes: Poor understanding or utilisation of health and safety policies, procedures and safe systems of work; inadequate training; failure to implement results of audits; dynamic risk assessments not undertaken Event: Staff or contractors undertake unsafe working practices Impact: Injury or death of a member of staff, contractor or a member of the public.	Sue Ireland	Impact	Impact	01-Apr-2016
OSD 002	Causes: Severe wind, prolonged heat, heavy snow, heavy rainfall – potential to increase with climate change Event: Severe weather at one or more site Impact: Strong winds cause tree limb drop, prolonged heat results in fires, snow disrupts sites access, rainfall results in flooding and impassable areas, site closures	Sue Ireland	Impact	Impact	01-Apr-2016

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OSD 003	Causes: Lack of appropriate skill sets to deliver projects; cultural resistance; initial scoping of project outcomes and timescales inaccurate Event: Department is unable to deliver its roadmap projects and programmes in agreed timescales or achieve agreed outcomes Impact: Alternative savings undertaken which may not be consistent with achieving cultural change or improving outcomes.	Sue Ireland	Impact	Impact	01-Apr-2016
OSD 004	Causes: Inadequate proactive and reactive maintenance; failure to identify and communicate maintenance issues Event: Operational or public buildings become unusable Impact: Service capability disrupted; ineffective use of staff resources; damage to corporate reputation; increased costs for reactive maintenance	Sue Ireland	Impact	Impact	01-Apr-2016
OSD 005	Causes: Inadequate biosecurity, buying of infected trees, plants or cattle, spread of windblown Oak Processionary Moth (OPM) from adjacent sites Event: Sites become infected by animal, plant or tree diseases Impact: Public access to sites restricted, animal culls, tree decline, reputational damage, cost	Sue Ireland	Impact	Impact	01-Apr-2016

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	of control of invasive species, risk to human health from OPM or other invasives				
OSD 006	Cause: Pressure on housing and infrastructure in London and South East; failure to monitor planning applications and challenge them appropriately; challenge unsuccessful; lack of resources to employ specialist support Event: Major development near an open space Impact: Permanent environmental damage to plants, landscape and wildlife, access issues, potential for encroachment	Sue Ireland	Trikelihood	Impact	01-Apr-2016
OSD 007	 Cause: Failure to provide attractive employment prospects for skilled staff. Event: Staff capacity greatly reduced as skilled workers move to other fields. Impact: Reduced capacity, decline in quality of work, reduced ability to deliver core responsibilities, staff motivation declines. 	Sue Ireland	Triting to the second s	Impact	01-Apr-2016