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Fulford Parish Council Storage Container Risk Assessment

Hazard and risk	People at Risk	Fulford Parish Council Controls	Additional
Slips, trips and falls from tools, equipment, hoses, cables or uneven flooring	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Container kept reasonably tidy; equipment stored in designated areas; walkways kept clear; spillages cleaned promptly; adequate lighting provided • Carry out regular housekeeping checks. Do not leave tools/equipment in access routes. Repair damaged floors	
Cuts and puncture wounds from hand tools such as spades, forks, shears, saws and blades	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Tools stored securely with sharp edges/blades protected where practicable. Tools inspected before use. Appropriate gloves required. • Install suitable tool storage/racking. Keep sharp tools secured and inaccessible to unauthorised persons.	

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Falling or unstable equipment from shelves/racking	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Heavy items stored at low level. Shelving used only within its safe capacity. • Secure shelving/racking to the structure where appropriate. Store heavier items below shoulder height. Carry out periodic inspection.	
Manual handling of machinery, tools, bags of materials or other heavy objects	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Avoid unnecessary lifting where possible. Staff instructed in safe lifting techniques. Heavy items stored to minimise lifting from floor level.	
		• Assess particularly heavy/awkward items individually. Use trolley or other suitable aid where practicable	
Use of petrol-powered machinery such as mowers, strimmers, blowers or chainsaws	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Equipment operated only by trained/competent persons. Manufacturer's instructions followed. Machinery maintained and inspected.	

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		PPE used as appropriate. • Maintain records of training/competence and servicing. Defective equipment taken out of service immediate	
Fuel storage / petrol or other flammable liquids	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Fuel not stored in container but in event of emergency the following applies • Where fuel is stored, it is kept in suitable approved containers, away from ignition sources. No smoking or naked flames. • Storage kept to the minimum reasonably required.	

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		• If stored - Confirm fuel quantities and storage arrangements comply with applicable requirements. Keep a suitable spill kit available. Display appropriate warning signage	
Fire from fuel, electrical equipment, batteries, machinery or other combustible materials	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Combustible materials kept away from ignition sources. Suitable fire extinguisher(s) provided where required.	

		• Arrange periodic inspection of electrical equipment. Keep emergency access/exit clear.	
Poor lighting inside or around the container	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Lighting can not be provided so advised to only visit during daytime hours •	

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Unauthorised access,	Children, members of public, visitors	• Containner kept locked when unattended. Tools and machinery secured. • Maintain secure locks.	

Weather-related hazards, including water ingress, damp, ice or flooding	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Containner and surrounding area visually checked. Defects reported. • Inspect roof, gutters, doors and flooring periodically. Keep electrical equipment away from water	
Lone working when accessing or working in the hut	Staff, volunteers, contractors, visitors	• Staff should inform another person when working alone where practicable. Mobile phone available. • Establish a simple lone-working procedure, including check-in arrangements for higher-risk activities. Avoid lone working for hazardous tasks where possible	

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Poor housekeeping/accumulation of combustible materials	Everyone	• Waste and redundant equipment removed. Storage areas kept orderly. • Conduct periodic housekeeping inspections. Remove unnecessary combustible materials, waste oil, packaging and rubbish	
Security/theft or misuse of equipment	Staff, organisation, public	• Container locked when unattended. Equipment stored securely. • Maintain suitable locks/security. Keep an inventory of valuable machinery and tools. Consider secure anchoring for high-value equipment.	
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