

Newton St Cyres Parish Council

Risk Assessment – Litter Pickers

TASK	HAZARD	RISK	LEVEL OF RISK	CONTROL MEASURE
Walking along roads without pavements	Traffic	Traffic moving fast and too close	High	Wear High Visibility vest (provided) All litter picking to be done in daylight and when visibility is not impaired by fog, mist or heavy rain
Picking litter from hedgerows	Sharp objects Brambles Nettles	Cuts, stings and scratches	Medium	Wear gloves (provided) Use litter picking sticks (provided)
Picking litter from roadsides	Unknown contents of bottles etc	Possible damage to skin	Low	Wear gloves (provided) Use litter picking sticks (provided)
Finding heavy objects dumped in inaccessible places	Too heavy to lift	Strains	Low	Contact Parish Council and request removal by authorised personnel
Carrying the litter back to base	Bag becomes heavy	Strains	Low	Do not fill bag with too much rubbish – make more than one trip.

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