FRIENDS OF GEDLING HOUSE WOODS



Risk assessment

Activity:	Clearing undergrowth using a strimmer
Applies to:	Committee members, other members and volunteers undertaking above activities

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The risk assessment for general site visits also applies to this activity

Personal injury					
Hazard	Persons at risk	Risk level	Control measures	Those responsible	Further action needed
Accidental injury while undertaking clearance or maintenance tasks using a strimmer	All undertaking the activity	Low	Strimming to be undertaken by petrol or cordless strimmers only. Only those with a training certificate in the use of strimmers are to use them. Protective clothing and ear/eye protection must be worn.	All those undertaking strimming.	
Injury to others in the vicinity			Care should be taken to adhere to the manufacturer's guidance and keep the strimmer clean. Ensure all machine checks are a carried out before beginning work. Use only two-stroke fuel and replenish it outside.		
			The strimmer should be kept clean and used according to the manufacturer's schedule and be maintained by an qualified service agent (currently GBC).		
			Strimming must not be done in close proximity of other site users.		

Always carry a mobile phone for use in case of injury or accident. Preferably work with another person	
First aid kit is to be taken on-site.	