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Property	The Green	**Location**	Lympstone	**Ref No.**	
Council	Lympstone Parish	**Chairman**	Cllr Lisa Staddon	**Date**	03/03/2025
Activity	Visitor Site Risk Assessment				

Description:

This is a risk assessment of the visitor routes at The Green split in to high, medium and low-level use.
The use of the field takes account of different levels of use and types of activity, reflecting the numbers of people that use the area and the time that they spend in that area. The risk assessment follows the guiding principles of the 'managing visitor safety in the countryside; principles & practice' guidance produced by the Visitor Safety in the Countryside Group and is relevant for visitors to site and contractors. Any specific activities carried out on the site are covered through other risk assessments. The Green is a paved area situated on The Strand in the centre of the village. It has two benches and an adjacent crossing from the Highway to the estuary. It is used as a resting place for pedestrians and cyclists passing by. Alongside the area is a locked post to prevent vehicular access to the estuary.

Beach hazards
LPC does not take responsibility for hazards at sea, this role is taken on by other organisations such as Heritage England, the Harbour Board and Exe Estuary Partnership Management. The estuary is not manned.

Severity of the hazard:
How serious are the consequences likely to be? Extreme (fatality) / Serious (major injury or serious ill health / Moderate (minor injury)
Likelihood of the event:
How likely is it that the event will occur? Remote / Possible / Likely
Adequacy of controls:
Are existing precautions adequate? Good (most precautions in place) / Fair (some deficiencies) / Weak (serious deficiencies)

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Entrance access – low risk				
Nature of hazard	**Groups at risk**	**Current precautions**	**Estimation of risk**	**Potential additional precautions**
Vehicle to vehicle contact	Visitors and contractors	The entrance to The Green is kept clear and free of vegetation. A 'No parking' sign is installed at the entrance to the road leading to the estuary and alongside the Green. The vehicular access post to the estuary is locked unless permission is sought.	Severity of hazard : low Likelihood of event : possible Adequacy of controls : good	Replacement post necessary to replace old post at base of access way to estuary.
Vehicles on highway encountering pedestrians.	Visitors and contractors	The paved area is well-maintained by LPC handyman. The area is open space for clear visibility to both pedestrians and road users.	Severity of hazard : low Likelihood of event : remote Adequacy of controls : good	
Trip/slips due to uneven surfaces.	Visitors and contractors	Paths are inspected in quarterly check and repaired as required.	Severity of hazard : low Likelihood of event : remote Adequacy of controls : good	

Benches – low risk				
Nature of hazard	**Groups at risk**	**Current precautions**	**Estimation of risk**	**Potential additional precautions**
Damage to benches	Visitors and contractors	Seats are maintained twice a year.	Severity of hazard : Low Likelihood of event : Remote Adequacy of controls : Good	

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