

Town and Manor of Hungerford and Liberty of Sanden Fee

Charity Commission registration number 238379

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RISK ASSESSMENT PICKET MEAD ORCHARD

Establishment

Town and Manor of Hungerford Charity

Activity

Orchard – maintenance & harvesting

Significant Hazards

- Uneven ground & hidden drops (particularly the old well)
- Bees kept on site tree hive and ground hive
- Prevalence of wasps
- Access via A4 (high speed road)
- Fruit is at heigh when gathering

Control Measures – How to minimise the risk

- Hidden drops to be clearly marked and access restricted
- All staff and volunteers to be made aware of presence of bees and wasps those with allergy to make their precautions known to others in the working party
- No tree climbing above 1m permitted
- Only short step ladders to be used preferred method is to gently shake the tree and collect on a tarp
- Site not to be accessed outside of daylight hours
- Parking is available for up to 6 cars maximum and entry and access is steep and the ground is uneven.
- Please note that cars with lower clearance may find entry and exit difficult. Alternative parking can be found in the lay-by opposite the garden centre.

Assessment carried out by Jed Ramsay, v1, 7 September 2020

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