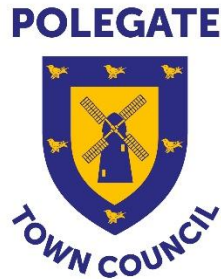


Polegate Town Council



RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

Policy Number 16		
Issue No.	Date completed	Details of amendments
1	May 2016	Adopted at Annual Stat Meeting
2	22.05.17	Adopted at Annual Stat Meeting
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4	20.05.19	Adopted at Annual Stat Meeting
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10	11.05.26	Adopted at Annual Stat Meeting

1. Policy Statement

1.1 Polegate Town Council is aware that some risk will always exist and can never be wholly eliminated.

1.2 The Council recognises that it has a responsibility to to manage various risks and associated hazards and support a structured and focused approach to managing them by means of an approved risk management strategy. Through this process, the Council will be able to achieve its overall aims and objectives of delivering a beneficial, effective and efficient service to the community.

The Council's risk management strategy objectives are as follows:

- Integrated risk management into the culture of the council
- Manage risk in accordance with best practice, insuring against liability where it is prudent and cost effective to do so
- Anticipate and respond to changing social, environmental, financial and legislative requirements
- Prevent injury, damage and other losses and reduce the cost of risk
- Raise awareness of the need for risk management by all those connected with the delivery of the Council's services

These objective will be achieved by:

- Establishing clear roles and responsibilities for the delivery of risk management
- Ensuring that all involved receive proper training in the understanding and delivery of risk management
- Identifying where necessary and providing resources to identified priority risk areas
- Reinforcing as appropriate the importance of effective risk management in the everyday culture and delivery of the Council's services
- Establishing and continuing appropriate and effective monitoring arrangements on an on-going basis
- Effecting a suitable insurance policy with a company specialising in risks associated with Town and Parish Council services

1.3 In addition, the Town Council will authorise the attendance of the Town Clerk at the annual Local Council's Advisory Service seminar and will examine and evaluate any new initiative designed to assist Town Councils to manage risk associated with the carrying out of their duties and adopted powers.

**Statement prepared for adoption by Polegate Town Council at its meeting on
11.05.26**

Signed by

Mayor of Polegate

Town Clerk/ Proper Officer/ RFO