## **GOSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL – MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH & SAFETY**

## HARMFUL SUBSTANCES RISK ASSESSMENT (COSHH)

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed?	Controls Required	Additional Controls	Action by who?	Action by when?	Done
Personal Injury	Parish Councillors Volunteers Members of the public Employees of the Parish Council	<ul> <li>Appropriate equipment will be supplied for the use of chemicals.</li> <li>Correct PPE will also be supplied where &amp; when appropriate</li> <li>Suitable training will be provided to ensure any users of chemical substances are fully aware of how to carry out tasks with chemicals appropriately.</li> <li>Chemicals will always be in labelled containers (with the correct labelling) – Under no circumstances will a chemical be provided in an unlabelled container.</li> <li>Chemicals will be stored in the conditions as described on the label. All chemicals will be kept away from children (either by locking doors/cupboards, or by keeping the children away from an area where chemicals are stored or being used.</li> <li>Users of chemicals must never mix them.</li> <li>If there are instructions on how to dilute a substance, these instructions must be adhered to completely.</li> </ul>	The Parish Council will ensure that the correct equipment & PPE is available for all users.  All training will be recorded and these records maintained by the Parish Council.			

All chemicals must be kept		
away from heat sources.		
Public contact with chemical use		
<ul> <li>If chemicals are being used</li> </ul>	If major chemical use is taking place,	
where/when it is impossible to	consideration will be given to close areas to the	
restrict public proximity,	public with cordons & signage.	
signage must be used to warn		
people of the possible hazard		
(e.g. using fertilisers on the		
Playing Field)		
<ul> <li>Where possible, cordons should</li> </ul>		
be erected to keep people away		
from areas where chemicals are		
being used.		
Record Keeping		
Records of all chemicals being		
used must be kept up to date.		
Where necessary, material		
safety data sheets must be		
completed & stored.		
If an accident should occur		
If a hazardous substance is		
involved in an accident, the		
instructions for rinsing/cleaning		
etc must be adhered to (found		
<ul><li>on the label of the container)</li><li>Should an accident lead to the</li></ul>	All accidents must be reported to the Parish	
requirement of medical	Council. These reports will be reviewed and any	
attention, then the chemical in	actions that can prevent re-occurrence of an	
its container should be taken to	accident should be considered.	
the medical practitioner. If it's		
impossible to take the entire		
container – the label must be		
taken (whilst leaving signage for		
the non-use of the chemical in		
its place).		
A REMINDER – Petrol/Diesel is classed		
as a chemical & these measure must		
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also apply.

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