

Dalbury Lees Parish Council, Allotment Field Risk Assessment

Location: Dalbury Lees Allotment Field

Assessed By: Cllr Yvonne Clarke

Date: 20 July 2026

Review Due: 20 July 2027

Parties Involved

- Lessor: Dalbury Lees Parish Council (DLPC)
- Lessee:

Purpose of Use

Grazing sheep and sheepdog training.

The field includes a public right of way (footpath).

Hazards, Risk Levels & Control Measures

Hazard	Who Might Be Harmed	Risk Level	Control Measures	Responsibility
Public Footpath through Field	Walkers, Dogs, Lessee,	Medium	Install clear signage at access points warning of livestock and sheepdog training. Use visual markers to separate training zones.	Lessee

Public Interaction with Dogs/Livestock	Walkers, Dogs, Lessee	High	Ensure the dog is trained and responsive..	Lessee
Gates and Fencing Security	Walkers, Animals	Medium	Regularly inspect fencing and gates. Promptly repair any damage. Ensure field gates close and latch properly.	Lessee (maintenance); DLPC (structural upgrades)
Signage Maintenance	Walkers	Low	Keep signage visible and weatherproof. Replace faded or damaged signs.	Lessee (temporary)
Dog Fouling and Waste Management	Public, Lessee	Low	. Ensure field remains clean and free of lessee's dog's waste.	Lessee
Training Equipment Hazards	Walkers, Lessee	Low	Keep equipment stored securely. Remove trip hazards after sessions.	Lessee
Electric Fencing (if used – DLPC gives permission for	Walkers, Dogs, Livestock	Medium	Mark fencing with clear warning signs. Ensure proper	Lessee

electric fencing
to be used)

installation and
maintenance.

Additional Responsibilities

Dalbury Lees Parish Council:

- Maintain public access rights over the footpath.
- Approve permission for changes to infrastructure (e.g. fencing, signage posts).
- insurance covers landowner liability.

Lessee:

- Ensure appropriate public liability insurance is in place.
- Report any issues, incidents or damage to DLPC Clerk promptly.