



EXTERNAL SPACES HEALTH & SAFETY INFORMATION SHEET VARSITY FIELD

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1. BRIEF



1.1 This report is provided as a record of our site inspection, document review and Hazard Identification of the site known as: Varsity Field

2. GENERAL UPDATE

2.1 The site has been kept in a good condition with the grass cut regularly and the site gates locked preventing unauthorised access.

3. DATE OF INSPECTION

Friday 3rd February 2023 10.30am

4. ACCESS

4.1 Access onto the site is provided through pedestrian and vehicle gates. There is a five bar wooden gate and a manual steel swing car park gate located off Gibbet Hill Road, near the roundabout where Gibbet Hill Road and University Road meet.

4.2 These gates can be opened to allow access for both pedestrians and vehicles onto site.

4.3 Alternative access can be found in two additional places on site. There are small gaps in the hedges on both the East and West side of the site. The Eastern hedge gap leads onto Gibbet Hill Road while the Western hedge gap passes through to the Scarman building car park.

5. PARKING

5.1 General car parks can be located within the area which are within walking distance. The nearest car park available is the Kirby Corner Car Park directly across the road.

5.2 Car parks operate using cashless payment options; please visit the following link for further information: https://warwick.ac.uk/services/carparks

5.3 There is also an option for alternative forms of transport across the University. Please visit the following link for more information https://warwick.ac.uk/services/estates/transport/

6. WELFARE



6.1 Access to the welfare facilities in the surrounding university buildings is prohibited. WC & welfare facilities for space users should be provided by organisers of the event.

6.2 Inclusive welfare facilities should also be provided under this provision.

6.3 There are various shops & coffee shops near by the site for food and drink.

6.4 There must be provisions for first aider(s) on site as required at all times which should be provided by the user. In the event of an emergency, you can contact Community Safety on 024765 22222. It is important to bear in mind however, ultimately the responsibility of the health of visitors on the site lie with the organiser.

6.5 Along with responsibility to provide First aiders by the user, similarly, adequate provision of First Aid Kits is also the responsibility of the event organiser.

6.6 Rubbish bins will also be required around site as well as an arrangement of their disposal.

7. ENVIRONMENT

7.1 The site is a large open greenspace which is regularly used for sporting activities. The grass is well maintained and looked after throughout the year. The site typically is in a great condition, however the field has never been drained and may become saturated under severe wet conditions.
7.2 In dry conditions, the land should typically have the load bearing capacity to facilitate heavy off-road vehicles and small vans.

7.3 In adverse weather conditions and winter months it is reasonable to suggest that heavy loaded vehicles will have the potential to get stuck on site and may require provisions such as wooden boards to air their entrance and exit off site.

7.4 The land should be left in the same state as it was upon the user's arrival onto the site. There should be minimal damage to the grass and the environment, the user will be responsible in preserving the state of the site.

7.5 Vehicles should not enter the site if there is the potential for them to get stuck or damage the state of the site. Users should act reasonably and consider the weather conditions.

7.6 Vehicles/motorised/mechanically propelled equipment should have drip/spill trays under and for smaller generators used by stall holders to be in bunds.

7.7 Refuelling should be carried out in a controlled environment to prevent fuel/oil spills on site.

8. SEASONAL INFORMATION

8.1 The site is in its best condition from April to October in which it is typically mostly dry.



8.2 However, it must be taken into consideration by the user that in wet conditions throughout the year the ground may become muddy and uneven.

8.3 Please be aware of busy periods of the academic year. Information regarding Graduation and Open days can be found by using the following link. https://warwick.ac.uk/

9. GENERAL HAZARDS

9.1 Slips, trips, and falls around the site. Take precautions when walking around site. There will be abnormal holes or uneven ground which may cause falls.

9.2 Precautions must be made when picking up and disposing of rubbish appropriately. Unknown or sharp objects must be dealt with by using the appropriate tools following Safe Systems of Work and Risk Assessments.

9.3 There isn't any provided lighting for the site. In the winter months from October to March temporary lighting may be required.

10. BELOW GROUND INFORMATION

10.1 Please note that there is no known pipework located beneath the site. For the exact locations of these pipes please see the underground drawings provided by the University. Any requirement to dig or penetrate the surface of the site will require a permit to dig, which will need to be applied for and managed by the member of University staff who is overseeing the work. Please use the following number to contact the University's Permit Office if advice is needed:

Permit Office: (024 765) 23652 or email permitrequest@warwick.ac.uk

11. OVERHEAD CABLES

11.1 Low hanging cables are located over the centre of the site. Precautions must be taken when moving tall vehicles off, on and around the site. Ensure to limit the height of and temporary constructions to prevent coming into contact with overhead cables.

12. SITE SPECIFIC HAZARDS

12.1 The main gateway is located off the main road and traffic may be increased if the site is used as a car park. Appropriate signage from both directions must be in place to warn drivers of cars possibly turning off. The likelihood of crashes and collisions will decrease with adequate signage.

12.2 The site has a restriction of only one entrance onto site.



12.3 People visiting and exiting the site must be aware of the cars when crossing the road. There isn't a pavement or footpath on the site side of Gibbet Hill Road. Pedestrians must cross at appropriate positions to avoid incidents.

12.4 Discarded waste such as bottles and rubbish have been left on site by previous trespassers and fly tippers. Advise to check site before people access the site. There is a high likelihood for children to pick up and play with the materials if they are not removed.

12.5 Currently, a storage container has been left on site around a less dense area of trees and hedges. To prevent children climbing or playing around the unit there needs to be a fence or blockage.

12.6 Site can become muddy in adverse wet weather conditions. Adequate protection to the ground is advised to avoid cars getting stuck.

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Site entrance from Gibbet Hill Road



Entrance Ground to Varsity Field



Frisbee field, taken from the South side.



Container unit integrated into the boundary.



Frisbee Field, taken from North side.

Gap in the hedge onto Gibbet Hill Road.

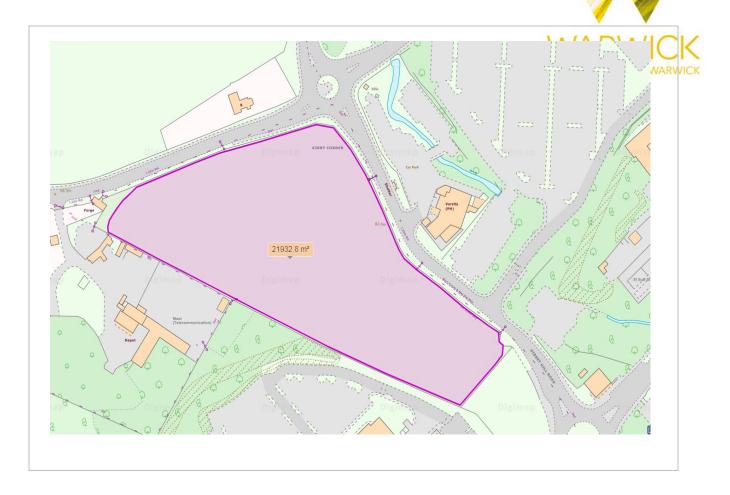


Gap in the hedge onto the Scarman car park blocked by a metal pedestrian gate.

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14. SITE BOUNDARY





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