

Guidance to users and risk assessment of The Dell at Framingham Earl



Area: The Dell, located between Long Road and Pigot Lane. This used to be an old gravel pit and provided much of the raw material needed for local house and road building. When the gravel was all extracted it became the village playground. In 1993 the pit was reduced in size to provide a roundabout and safer road junction and in 1995 the Parish Council, with the assistance of the Norwich Fringe Project, Norfolk Rural Community Council and South Norfolk Council, started a scheme to convert the pit into a nature area. Landscaping and planting was carried out, pathways were cleared and made for better access, bird boxes were installed and the area was re-named The Dell. This facility is well used and is kept maintained by the Parish Council with very welcome help by local residents.

Date: This guidance was adopted by the Parish Council at the Parish Council meeting on 3rd December 2024.

Hazards identified and their risk

- [low] Drowning by falling into water, (subject to weather conditions, occasionally water can be present at bottom area of The Dell)
- [low] Harm from tripping on uneven ground
- [low] Disease or illness from water or wildlife
- [low] Insect bites
- [low] Impact with vehicle from adjacent road.

Mitigations in place by the Parish Council

- Regular site visits/checks by members of the Parish Council
- Regular working parties to carry out necessary works as and when required
- Warning sign stating "Deep Water"
- Throw bag in place which is regularly checked.

Mitigations not yet in place by the Parish Council

- None.

Guidance to users

- Children should be supervised at all times to minimise any risks
- No contact should be made with any water, if contact is made hands etc. should be washed thoroughly
- Users should supervise children when entering or leaving The Dell.

- To report any hazards etc. please contact the Parish Clerk at 01508 493134 or email clerk@framinghamearlparishcouncil.gov.uk

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In case of emergency please call 999

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