

# **PRESS RELEASE**

**Town Clerk: Jo Friend**  
Tel: 0118 986 8995  
e-mail: [townclerk@earley-tc.co.uk](mailto:townclerk@earley-tc.co.uk)

Council Offices  
Radstock Lane  
Earley Reading Berks  
RG6 5UL

**EARLEY TOWN  
COUNCIL**

## **A Positive Health Check for Earley Town Council**

Earley Town Council recently commissioned James Hallam Risk Management to conduct an external Health & Safety audit on the Town Council's safety management systems, in part to review its current practices but also to identify any further improvements that could be made. Councillors were delighted with the audit results which show the Town Council as having a very strong Health & Safety foundation in place.

A broad range of areas were reviewed, including management systems; policies; levels of competence; training; risk assessments; CoSHH (Control of Substances Hazardous to Health); fire risks; inspection records; accidents and so on, and the Town Council's Operations Manager, Max Brown, worked closely with the auditor ensuring that all the required paperwork and records were available to inspect. As is the case with most inspections, a few areas of improvement were identified and these are already being addressed by officers.

Having good Health & Safety practices in place is very important to the Town Council, not only does it help protect the wellbeing and safety of employees and visitors to our community centres and open spaces, it also safeguards the Council's assets and helps ensure that we can use residents' precept contributions to provide services and projects that will benefit the community.

For further information contact:

Jo Friend, Town Clerk  
Tel: 0118-986-8995  
19 March 2025  
19 March 2025

