Appendix A: Detail of sites requiring safety control measures – for further discussion with Neighbourhood Forums

Site	Issue	Risk priority	Action required / recommended	Barrier, alterative vegetation or alternative equipment (Funding is required)	Reduce area or cease grass cutting (but no other form of control measure) (Small amount of funding may be needed for herbicide)
Tonnacliffe Road, Whitworth	Slope up to 29 degrees with wall 1m high at base. Although the slope is in the tolerance of machine use the potential fall is on to a public highway.	Medium	As the team have noted this as being a particularly awkward site the use of a side arm flail should be considered or continue use of trained contractor	Υ	
Hall Street, Whitworth.	Although he site is flat with a wall of less than 1 meter in height the small size means that it is impossible to mow without having a drop immediately behind the operative.	High	Convert to planted raised bed	Y	
Stoneyroyd, Whitworth (South side)	Slope of 30 degrees with a retaining wall at base giving a drop of 1.5 metres.	High	Use side arm flail or continue use of trained contractor.	Y	
Stoneyroyd, Whitworth (North side)	Flat site but with high retaining wall.	High	Apply herbicide to 1m strip behind wall. Cover with mulch. Continue mowing area.		Y
Stoneyroyd, Whitworth (along edge of road)	Steep slope which flattens as a narrow strip immediately behind a flag edge retainer. The retainer is unstable which increases the risk of slip and fall and thus increases the overall risk	High due to unstable retainer	Apply herbicide to narrow strip (approx 300mm) behind retainer and cease mowing).		Y
Memorial gardens, Whitworth.	Slope of 0-10 degrees but with walls causing a drop of less than 1 metre behind the memorial and along the roadside edge.	Low	Create 1 metre wide planted area along the top of these walls. Planted up with shrubs this could be a benefit to the site.	Y	

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Millgate car park, Whitworth.	20 degree slope to retaining wall 0.5m high along road edge.	Low	Create 1 metre wide planted area along the top of the walls. Planted up with low growing shrubs this could be a benefit to the site. Remove exiting few shrubs immediately adjacent car park area to assist with site movements.	Y	
St Johns Brow, Whitworth	Slope up to 40 degrees with retaining wall up to and including 1 metre	High	Create a planted area minimum width 1 metre along top length of retaining wall. Existing shrub beds can be extended.	Υ	
Market street, opposite Old Lane, Whitworth.	Flat site with retaining wall 1 metre high. No access to site other than lifting equipment up the wall.	Medium	Use side arm flail or continue use of trained contractor.	Y	
Old Lane, Whitworth.	Sloping up to 15 degrees towards retaining wall at rivers edge.	High	Operatives to leave a wide swathe of uncut grass along rivers edge.		Y
Knowsley' Crescent / Quarry street banking, Shawforth	Gradient approx 30 degrees with retaining wall at bottom up to 3.5m high.	High	Discontinue mowing. Ongoing review and assessment of alternative options.		Y
New Line reservoir area, Bacup.	Gentle slope to waters edge.	High	A wide swathe each side of the path to be mown, not up to the waters edge.		Y
Rossendale Crescent, Bacup	Slope 22-30 degrees with ground full of holes and divots.	Medium	Reduce area being cut to avoid the uneven areas.		Y

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Market Street, Bacup (behind the Deli)	10 degree slope down to retaining wall 0.5metres high.	Low	Slope gradually gets steeper. Cease mowing from 5th tree from end of site. Continue mowing rest of site with pedestrian mowers		Y
Lumb Scar, Bacup	Gently sloping site at top of retaining wall 2 metres high. No access to site.	High	Mowing has stopped. Ongoing review of alternative options. May convert site to planted area.		Y
Bacup Leisure Hall.	Slope at rear of building up to 30 degrees with undulations and divots.	Medium	Leave a swathe of grass un-cut in this area.		Y
Opposite Health centre Todmorden Road, Bacup	Gradient of 30 degrees with stepped kerb retaining wall at bottom.	Medium	Remove grass and plant up the area with a range of flowering plants.	Y	
Lanehead Lane – large field site.	Gentle slope to retaining wall 1.5 – 2.0 metres high.	High	Plant hedge of native hedgerow species along field edge at top of wall.	Υ	
Tong Lane, Bacup	Gradient up to 30 degrees with retaining wall 2.0mtres high	High	Apply herbicide to strip behind coping stones and mulch up. Cease mowing triangular area at east of site where gradient noticeably steeper.		Y
Greave Clough, Greave Road, Bacup.	Gradient of 40 degrees with low retaining wall at bottom	High	Leave wide swathe on slope un cut but continue to mow flat area at top and area at roads junction so as not to impair sight lines. This can be done by standing on pavement and using a strimmer.		Y
Opposite Flowers Hotel, Todmorden	Small area where banking between 30 and 40 degrees. Particularly slippery when wet.	High	Strim corner when dry and leave when wet.		Y

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road, Bacup.					,
Vale Street near the river, Bacup.	Slope less than 30 degrees down to river. Previous accident has occurred here.	High	Leave wide swathe un-cut along rivers edge.		Y
Wesley place sub station banking, Bacup.	Gradient 20 degrees but with flat area at top of high retaining wall.	High	Cease mowing up to edge of flatter area at top of wall. Leave minimum 1 metre safety zone.		Y
Park road industrial Estate, Bacup.	Slope less than 30 degrees but with retaining wall 1 metre high at bottom,.	High	Leave wide swathe un-cut at top of wall.		Y
Grove Street, Bacup.	Small piece of grass – confined site up to low wall.	High	Apply herbicide behind wall and mulch up.		Y
Lodge lane / market street, Bacup.	Gradient up to 22 degrees with retaining wall up to 1.5 metres high.	High	Use side arm flail or use trained contractor.	Y	
Stacksteads recreation Ground, Stacksteads.	Gradient up to 22 degrees down to river.	High	River banking left un-cut. Treat Japanese Knotweed.		Y
School Street, Stacksteads.	Flat site with retaining wall approx 1.25 metres.	High	Plant up a strip of low growing shrubs at top of wall.	Υ	
Norfolk House, Newchurch Rd, Stacksteads.	Gradient 30-38 degrees.	High	Strim as high as possible while operative standing on pavement. Changes to be noted on work ticket.		Y
Jolly Sailor Landscape, Waterfoot.	Gradient of 30 degrees on part of banking.	High	Use side arm flail	Y	

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Todd Carr Road, Waterfoot.	Gradient 20-28 degrees with retaining wall exceeding 1 metre. Also conifers pose confined site problems.	High	Remove grass and plant up in between conifers and along top edge of wall.	Y	
Cowpe Recreation Ground	Banking at front of play area with gradient of 30 degrees and retaining wall 1 metre high which is loose.	High	Report loose wall to estates department. Cease mowing the banking. Apply herbicide to strip behind wall and mulch up.		Y
Penny Lodge Dell, Loveclough	Gradient between 8-22 degrees sloping towards river.	High	Leave wide swathe un-cut along rivers edge.		Y
Tattersall Square, Waterfoot.	Gradient between 10-14 degrees with short section against river.	High	Leave an uncut area minimum 1 metre wide against river access point.		Y
Albert Mill landscape	Slope of 22 degrees down to river.	High	Extend current uncut area to the whole length of the river.		Υ
Rawtenstall Cemetery	Some slopes up to 38 degrees.	High	Identify these areas and either strim or leave depending on position within cemetery.		Υ
Ski Rossendale	Some slopes up to 42 degrees. One slope with high retaining wall.	High	Identify these areas and either strim or leave depending on position within ski slope and weather conditions at time of cut.		Y
Carr Mount	Slopes up to 34 degrees with retaining wall in various locations up to 1 metre high.	High	Roadside wall has slope above which is the most risky area on site. Apply herbicide behind wall and mulch up.		Y
Fern terrace, Haslingden	Gradient varies up to 20 degrees with known wet area behind garages.	Low	Gradient does not allow use of ride on mower in steepest areas. Site is large – reduce area cut to include very wide swathes along paths and desire lines and eliminate cutting behind garages.		Y

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Hudrake, Blackburn Road, Haslingden.	Gradient 10-18 degrees with retaining wall of 1 metre.	High	Apply herbicide behind wall and mulch up.		Y
Hudrake / Rockhall Road, Haslingden.	Maximum gradient 10 degrees with retaining wall of 1 metre	High	Apply herbicide behind wall and mulch up.		Y
Bleakholt Road, Turn	Gradient up to 10 degrees with retaining wall of one metre	High	Remove grass and create 1 metre wide border at top of retaining wall.	Υ	