

RISK/ISSUE	CONTROLS TO BE IMPLEMENTED	RESIDUAL RISK	MANAGEMENT OF RESIDUAL RISK
Risk to designated/priority sites or species	Work will not be carried out within the following: A SSSI, National Nature Reserve, Local Nature Reserve, Ancient Woodland or Scheduled Monument An area identified as containing Priority Habitat that could be impacted, including that which has been selected for the importance of its river or freshwater An area identified as containing a Priority or Protected Species 100m of a water body classified as having 'High' ecological status A known salmonid water body An area that has recent records of water vole- there are no known records at the local wildlife site (Warwick Biological Records Centre)	Minor- potential for badger to be present and a very small chance of otter and water vole being present despite lack of records	The Sherbourne Valley Project Officer (SVPO) will carry out an initial hand search of the project site as well as the banks immediately above and below before the commencement of work. If any potential signs are found, staff will withdraw immediately and arrange for a licensed ecologist to survey the site.
Disturbance to coarse fish breeding	Work will be carried out outside of the coarse fish close season	Minimal	The SVPO will inspect the brook before the commencement of works for any fish activity.
Disturbance to breeding birds/bats through tree works	The SVPO will liaise with the Coventry City Council Ecology Team and Forestry Officers regarding trees to be taken out. The SVPO will arrange a breeding bird survey across the project location prior to works. All trees to be removed/pruned for access purposes will be inspected for nests/potential bat roosting habitat before any tree work commences. Should any nesting activity be identified or suspected, an ecologist will be consulted before any tree work can continue	Minimal	N/A
Spread of invasive non-native species	All visible Himalayan balsam likely to be disturbed by machinery throughout the work period will be removed prior to the commencement of work by the SVP team/volunteers. All plant and equipment including boots and waders will be disinfected prior to use in the river as outlined in the risk register and in line with check, clean, dry biosecurity measures (http://www.nonnativespecies.org/checkcleandry/)	Minimal	N/A
Aquatic ecology affected by silt disturbance during works	Reduction of fine sediment disturbance will be achieved through the methods outlined in the method statement	Some fine sediment may still wash into the river despite recommended mitigation measures, particularly if large rainfall events occur or if a flood occurs across exposed soil	Work to be carried out during a dry period to reduce chance of heavy rain/flooding. SVPO signed up to EA flood alerts for River Sherbourne downstream. Weather to be reviewed prior to commencement of work and on a daily basis throughout and earthworks ceased if deemed likely to cause excess silt disturbance beyond what is outlined in the method statement