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| CTT Logo | Risk Assessment |
| **Course/Road(s) Assessed: Smithams Hill** | **Course: UH91 – Smithams Chimney** |
| **Date of Assessment/Review: 19 September 2018** | **Name of Assessor: Mark Jerzak** |

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| **Course Description:** The course starts beyond the last house in the village, before the junction for Wallace Lane. Beside a road gully and telegraph pole (there should be a white line painted on the road).  The gradient increases gradually until you reach the snaking turns, where it ramps up to around 16% for a hundred metres. To add to the difficulty the road surface is particularly poor here. Once through the twists and turns you reach a plateau with beautiful views across the Chew Valley. Something to look forward to on the way back down! After this respite, the road kicks up for the final climb to the summit. Come out of the woods and continue to the crest of the hill, beside a clump of short trees. Again, there should be a white line painted on the road. |

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| **Traffic Flows:** Very light traffic on Saturday mornings, typically one car every few minutes |

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| **Course/Event History:** None – new course (2018) |

**Key Identified Risks**

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| **Distance** | Location | **Identified Significant Risk/Hazards** | **Level of Risk Low/Med/High** | Measures to reduce Risk (if applicable) |
| 0 miles | START: Start just before first Wallace Lane junction | Passing cars | Low | East Harptree residents notified (Facebook group and signage in village shop)  Marshal beside timekeeper.  Warning signage |
| 0.1 miles | Junction with Wallace Lane / Western Lane (both minor roads with light traffic) | Traffic entering the road | Low | Marshal to warn any traffic  Warning signage |
| 0.3 miles | Steep section after L-R S-bend | Very poor road surface | Low | Warn riders at HQ |
| 0.4 miles | Steep Left Hand bend beside cluster of houses | Road narrows, oncoming traffic | Low | Key local residents notified (John King, Farmer & Jenny Cruise)  Marshal located on bend with red flag to stop / slow oncoming traffic until rider has passed |
| 0.8 miles | Entrance to Nettwood Farm | Traffic entering the road (campsite and marquee lorries) | Low | JG Marquees notified (no lorries on Sat mornings) and Netwood Farm notified (campsite very quiet this weekend) |
| 1.2 miles | FINISH: Top of hill | Oncoming traffic | Low | Marshal beside timekeeper.  Warning signage |

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| The small junctions or entrances to farms/ facilities that are not identified in this risk assessment have been considered, however are not considered significant to pose a risk and therefore have not been noted. |

**Date of original assessment: 19 September 2018**