



DEER ON YOUR DOORSTEP

DEER IN AND AROUND OUR TOWNS AND CITIES – RISKS AND REWARDS

RISKS

Increasing deer numbers can result in:

- More road traffic accidents (RTAs) involving deer.
- Damage to crops, trees and gardens – both on private land and on public spaces.
- More wildlife crime – coursing, poaching, illegal snaring and animal cruelty.
- Dogs chase deer.
- Possible spread of disease, ticks, lyme disease...

CAN YOU THINK OF MORE RISKS?

REWARDS

- A healthy, well-managed deer population is an asset for neighbourhoods and communities to take pride in.
- People enjoy seeing deer – provided they are not likely to cause an accident or are not causing damage.
- Deer managed properly, culled discreetly by suitably qualified deer managers, stalkers and gamekeepers, provide venison that goes into the human food chain.
- Deer provide an educational resource.
- Healthy deer are a biodiversity indicator.

CAN YOU THINK OF MORE REWARDS?

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