

Risk assessment

Name of Section or Activity	Activities Outside the Meeting Place	Date of risk assessment	1 st October 2020	Name of who undertook this risk assessment	Stacey Weaver
		Date of next review	January 2027		

Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
<i>Hazard</i> – something that may cause harm or damage. <i>Risk</i> – the chance of it happening.	Young people, Leaders, Visitors?	Controls – Ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it. For example - you might use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way the activity is carried out.	Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change it...or even stop it! This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.
Traffic – Injuries & Accident	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pavements, Pelican and Zebra crossings to be used where possible If walking on the road Hi-Viz jackets to be worn and leaders positioned through the group (i.e. not all at the front or back of the group) If walking to a new location, use footpaths over roads where possible 	
Slips, Trips and Falls - Injury	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leaders to survey the terrain prior to the activity taking place Leaders to brief Participants about hazards of the location along with the boundaries prior to the activity taking place Participants to wear suitable footwear for the terrain with laces tied 	
Nettles & Brambles - Stings & rashes	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the location has lots of nettles or brambles along footpath; Leaders are to suggest wearing long trousers prior to the activity commencing Equipment stuck in undergrowth to be retrieved by leaders 	
Security - Lost equipment & Possessions	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any personal possessions to be left with leaders / nominated supervisor whilst activity is taking place During physical activities, Leaders to suggest that participants empty their pockets of valuables (Wallet, phones etc.) and to store them safely 	
Lost Participants	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants to be briefed not to leave the boundaries set by the Leader Briefing to include what the protocols are should any participant become lost Leaders to supervise exit points and regularly perform a 'head count' to account for all participants 	

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First Aid	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At least one leader to hold a current first aid qualification and to have easy access to a first aid kit suitable for the activity. 	
Weather – Sunstroke, Hypothermia, Sunburn,	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weather to be checked prior to commencing activity; Activity to be modified to suit weather conditions. Correct Clothing for weather to be checked prior to commencing activity i.e. Waterproofs, Sun hat, Coat, Hat etc. Sun Cream to be worn and carried when required. Ensure YP stay hydrated during activities 	
Behaviour	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioural expectations of all persons involved in the activity to be briefed before the activity commences. 	
Supervision	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervision of YP to be within minimum ratios as specified in POR. 	

Checked by Line Manager	Tris Cocks GSL 16 th December 2020	Checked by Executive	Lesley Dingle Group Chair 11 th February 2021
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Version Control

Date	Version	Changed by	Comments
1 st October 2020	1	Stacey Weaver	Initial Version
28 th August 2023	1.1	Paul Woodward	Reviewed – Line added about hydration in Weather section
17 th February 2026	1.2	Paul Woodward	Reviewed

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