

Risk assessment – Hike at Daisy Bank Road

Name of activity, event, and location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 45th Cheltenham Thursday Cubs Short Hike on Terrain Zero location. Daisy Bank Road / Hartley Lane. Builds upon our COVID Return to Amber outdoors risk assessment, dated 4th September 2020. 	Date of risk assessment	26 September 2020	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Will Jenkins
		Date of next review	3 October 2020 (before repeating the walk on the 8 th)		

What hazard have you identified? What are the 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?
<p>A hazard is something that may cause harm or damage.</p> <p>The risk is the harm that may occur from the hazard.</p>	For example: young people, adult volunteers, visitors	<p>Controls are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity.</p>	<p>Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity.</p> <p>This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.</p>
<p>Mistakes when navigating – leading to increased risk of all other hazards. Additional consequences of being lost and exhausted, especially if late or after dark.</p>	All those taking part	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route is along well trodden footpaths, clearly marked on the Ordnance Survey map. Whilst the cubs will be challenged to identify the route, they will be accompanied by a leader who has walked the trail before. A route card and map is provided. Mobile Phone coverage is confirmed as acceptable, and the route is close to roads and car parks for pick-up Hike is only 45-minutes in duration 	
<p>Roads and traffic – injuries from collisions between vehicles and people.</p>	Young people, leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route only involves a short (100yd) stretch of road, to avoid a steep scramble up to the footpath Drop off and pick up locations are car parks – all cubs and adults will be wearing hi-viz waistcoats. Parents reminded to take care in the car parks. Brief young people on safety around roads and expected behaviour. Adults directly supervise crossing (one on each side of the crossing point). Use designated crossing points if possible. Leaders at the front and back of the group wear hi-visibility jackets. Walk single file when on a road. 	
<p>Weather – rain before and during the hike, hot weather causing heat exhaustion or sun stroke.</p>	Young people, leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitor weather forecast in advance, if heavy rain forecast then plan alternative activity. Check weather before the activity starts. Advise participants on suitable clothing to wear and carry (including sun protection and waterproofs). 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tell everyone to bring a filled water bottle. If it's very hot, plan water stops and refilling if needed. • Check everyone's suitably equipped at the start of the hike and have some spare equipment available. • Review route before and during the hike considering weather conditions, for example, if it's too hot or wet to continue. Make sure routes have escape routes or alternatives. • Timing of meeting will mean darkness will fall during the evening. All participants bring torches for use if required to see the path. 	
Terrain – uneven ground, branches, nettles, animals, livestock, and so on.	Young people, leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Route has been walked one week prior to planning it, and developing the risk assessment. • Steep sections of paths have been noted on the route card, cubs will be reminded to do 'dead slow' and focus on the terrain for these short sections. • Route has been selected to take the least challenging terrain, on marked footpaths. • Advise participants on suitable footwear and check it before the hike. • Brief young people on safely navigating the terrain, including avoiding brambles, nettles, and so on. • Leaders carry first aid kits and have appropriate training. • Encourage everyone to wear long trousers if concerns over foliage or ticks. • Route is planned for an area that is not known to contain livestock, there are no gates or fences which would keep animals in the location from straying from the road. 	
Social Distancing – Risk of all participants being unable to maintain sufficient social distancing.	All persons present	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All participants reminded to keep 2m from each other. • Individual named maps to be issued, and retained for future activities. • As per our Covid Amber RA – all participants will bring personal kit bags to avoid need to share any equipment. • Majority of paths are wide enough for social distancing between cubs, otherwise use single file. • Destination has been surveyed to identify suitable location for group to gather whilst maintaining social distancing. 	