

GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

Stream Walk

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Section/Establishment Name: Lea Green Centre

Date of Assessment 20/01/2016

Date of Issue

Reviews				
Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N
Nov 22	IW/PV/GN	4/11/22	Y	
Nov 2023	IW,GN,DH,PV	14/11/23	Y	
Dec 24	IW PV GN	12/12/24	Y	
16/12/25	IW/PV/GN/DH	16/12/25	Y	
Nov 2018	IPO	3/12/18	N	
Nov 2019	ME	28,10,19	N	
Nov 2020	IPO	02/12/20	N	

Affected persons: Young People/Clients  Staff  Visitors  Contractor  Others (specify)

Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:	
Signature:	

The following sections should be completed by all staff who need to be made aware of and abide by the findings of the Risk Assessment. NB: If, as a result of a review, changes are made to the Risk Assessment the relevant box on the attached page should be completed as appropriate by the staff concerned.

## RISK ASSESSMENT

What are the hazards?	Generic Control Measures implemented	✓ X	Person to implement	Additional Control measures needed to reduce risk to an acceptable level	Person to implement	Date to be actioned
<b>Falling/slipping.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructors must hold a site specific accreditation. They must be aware of and comply with the centre operating procedures.</li> <li>Briefing of group.</li> <li>Ability of group taken into account, appropriate footwear worn.</li> </ul>		Instructor leading the session			
<b>Injury.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructor must hold a current first aid certificate.</li> <li>First aid kit must be carried.</li> <li>Group size and ratios suitable for conditions and abilities.</li> <li>Helmets must be worn.</li> </ul>			Advise possibility of injury to knee if crawling in short trousers		
<b>Objects from above, dislodged rocks. Collapsing tunnels.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group briefing.</li> <li>Group management.</li> <li>Monitoring of specific sites.</li> </ul>			Visual check above challenges for areas of recent rock movement. Group engaged in avoiding areas of recent rock movement. Areas of recent movement given a wide berth.		
<b>Extremes of temperature, Cold water.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Weather forecast obtained and Previous conditions taken into account.</li> </ul>					
<b>Current and volume of water.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group monitored for weather related injuries</li> </ul>			After very heavy rain, check the level of the stream before the session.		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activity adapted where appropriate.</li> <li>• Ongoing risk assessment at start and during activity – weather and water conditions continually monitored.</li> <li>• Equipment/clothing lists sent to groups.</li> <li>• Individual's kit checked before departure to ensure adequate protective clothing.</li> <li>• Suitable emergency equipment carried for the size of the group.</li> <li>• Weather forecast obtained and conditions monitored throughout the session</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All group to be made aware of the signs and symptoms of Weil's disease and action to be taken in the event of symptoms occurring.</li> <li>• Group briefed to wash/shower on return.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about existing medical conditions known by staff.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No Plants, Berries or Fungi to be eaten</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefing.</li> <li>• Group management.</li> <li>• Adult supervision of road crossings.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefing and management.</li> <li>• Use of 'Sin Bin' facility or suspension</li> </ul>		<p>Extra bag available for larger groups</p> <p>In high winds consider cancelling the session</p> <p>Monitor water quality</p> <p>individuals to have access to own inhalers, Adrenalin auto injector or appropriate medication.</p>	
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<b>Safeguarding.</b>  <b>Additional potential hazards associated with a person's disability</b>	of activity. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefing and management.</li> <li>• Staff vigilance.</li> <li>• Additional measures may need to be taken to enable visitors with a disability to access the area and engage with the activity.</li> </ul>		A discussion with the participant along with visiting staff/carers should be had to decide on the most appropriate way to access the site. Or whether a more accessible location is used.  Additional staff may be required.  Additional time may need to be factored into the session.  Handling belts may be used to assist less ambulant users  Less mobile visitors may be more sensitive to environmental conditions and need closer supervision	
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