

Risk Assessment

Holt Hall Field Study Centre

Glaven Ports

Location

Selected observation points on main and minor road locations within the villages of Wiveton, Cley, Salthouse, Blakeney and from a viewpoint on the summit of Bard Hill.

Risks

- Traffic accident in village locations.
- Cuts and scratches on Bard Hill (from bramble and gorse etc)
- Sprains and strains
- Slips, falls and collisions
- Allergic reaction to bites, stings or nuts.
- Drowning
- Hypothermia, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and sunburn.
- Minibus travel

Control Measures

Traffic accident

- Young people should walk in single file where there are no pavements or pavements are narrow
- During the summer period the coast road is often busy with tourist traffic and therefore extra care is required.
- All road crossings must be closely supervised and well organised. Visiting staff must be well briefed on their role when crossing roads. This may need to be discussed in advance. Visiting schools may have their own methods with which the young people are familiar.

Cuts and scratches on Bard Hill

- Ensure appropriate ratio of staff:students
- Young people should stay close to the group leader and listen carefully to instructions.

Sprains and strains

- Young people should be told to take particular care when in long and rough grass

Slips, falls and collisions

- Particular care is required when climbing the steps at 'Gun Hill' and in the old merchant house at Blakeney. It is dark in the merchant house and young people should be made aware of the brick supporting columns.

Allergic reaction to bites, stings or nuts

- Holt Hall staff must check nominal roll for any allergies and make necessary arrangements with young people and visiting staff.

Drowning

- Ensure appropriate ratio of staff:students
- Avoid going too close to the edge of the quay at Blakeney
- A throw line must be available in case of emergencies.

Hypothermia, heat exhaustion, heat stroke and sunburn

- See general risk assessment

Minibus travel

- See general risk assessment

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