

Hazard Identified and Risk Arising	Persons at Risk	Risk Controls
All hazards that could give rise to an accident and possible injury to persons on site.	All persons on site - visiting groups and site volunteers.	<p>Refer to the entries contained (below) in this risk assessment.</p> <p>Note: <i>Notwithstanding the risk controls detailed in this column, accidents can occur. There is now no 'land line' telephone available on site. Mobile telephone reception throughout the site is generally poor. However, mobile calls can be made by making use of the site's WiFi. It is best to be close to the Warden's Lodge and do test that you can connect a mobile 'phone to the WiFi before it is needed. Additionally, ensure that the accident is reported (before the end of your visit) using the proforma Accident Book displayed within the premises.</i></p>
Lone working.	Any person on-site working on his/her own.	<p>Before visiting the site ensure that an appropriate 'home contact' or 'work contact' is aware of the visit and expected duration.</p> <p>If the lone worker has not returned (or made contact) by the anticipated time then the 'home contact' or 'work contact' is to take necessary action to either make contact with the lone worker or visit the site.</p>
Potential for personal injury or damage to the property when the site is not occupied (with easy access to equipment, chemicals or other items).	Any person on site, especially unauthorised visitors.	Activity Centre Warden (or duty site volunteers) to ensure that all equipment, chemicals and other items are securely stored before the site is vacated.
Moving vehicles: entering or leaving the site; using car park; or (when permitted) travelling to/from other locations on site.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	<p>There is a designated car park but as this is adjacent to the Main Field all Leaders (particularly those camping at this location) are to brief their groups to be aware of the possibility of moving traffic when crossing the car park (to other locations).</p> <p>Similarly, those using the camping sites adjacent to Littledale Road - with vehicle access - should brief their groups accordingly (particularly at the start or end of a camp).</p>

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Slips, trips and falls.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups (especially with younger members).	By the very nature of the site there are areas of steep or rough ground. Leaders are advised to define the boundaries beyond which young people should not venture (as is the case for Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts not going past the gate adjacent to the toilet block on the main site without a Leader).
		During wet weather some areas - particularly rocks, steps or sodden ground - may give rise to additional hazards. Campers are to be advised to take care in such situations.
		There are areas to the North of the site with steep ground and/or with close proximity to cliffs along the side of Artle Beck. Leaders are advised to define the boundaries in these areas: in particular to use only the defined footpaths to the Archery Range and Assault Course. In other instances, Leaders are to provide appropriate supervision when crossing rough ground.
		Likewise, those using the camp sites adjacent to Littleddale Road are to set the boundaries beyond which young people should not venture. Guidance is to be offered to those having to traverse rough/steep ground in these areas.
	Owners/users of three permanent buildings belonging to separate Scout Groups.	Those using the three permanent buildings owned by Scout Groups are to provide their own guidance to young people and adults accessing these facilities.
Moving water (Artle Beck).	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups (especially with younger members).	Leaders are responsible for briefing their groups and setting boundaries. If any activities are planned in the water the group should be briefed accordingly. Leaders are responsible for making a dynamic risk assessment of the river especially after heavy rainfall.
Flooding (lower fields close to Artle Beck).	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	Leaders are responsible for maintaining a dynamic risk assessment of the river especially after heavy rainfall. If flooding is a possibility, provision will be made to assist campers needing to move their camping pitches (Activity Centre Warden).
Moving water (waterfalls and fast flowing streams) - especially after heavy rainfall.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups (especially with younger members).	Leaders are responsible for briefing their groups and setting boundaries.
Static water.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	Leaders are responsible for briefing their group, setting boundaries, etc, in relation to the two brick 'tanks' in the proximity of the upper toilet block.

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Site equipment: tools, grass cutters, gas tank, other plant, etc.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	Any tools, machinery or plant considered to be potentially dangerous are to be kept locked away - inaccessible to visitors. The Activity Centre Warden will ensure all items are appropriately stored; no equipment is to be left unattended.
		Any substances that are regarded as hazardous to health [when used] are to be kept to a minimum; stored securely; and used in accordance with accepted procedures.
		The Activity Centre Warden is to provide working parties/site volunteers with appropriate training / supervision before using tools / machinery / chemicals, etc.
		In those instances where training is a prerequisite to operate equipment: all volunteers using such equipment are to be up to date with the necessary, specified training.
		As appropriate, the correct personal protective equipment (PPE) is to be provided/worn.
		Leaders are to remind their groups of the danger of 'investigating' any plant, fittings and fixtures.
Electrical and gas installations.	All persons on site - visiting groups and site volunteers.	Any faults or problems are to be reported to the duty warden.
		Repairs or alterations/additions to electrical circuits or gas installations are to be carried out only by tradespeople registered/certified by the appropriate body/organisation.
		All electrical and gas appliances are to be used for their correct purpose. If in doubt about operating procedures contact the duty warden.
		In particular, the Lodge cooker is to be used with appropriate ventilation to the kitchen (extractor hood fan switched on plus additional ventilation by opening the kitchen window/external door).
Asbestos (used in building construction) - with the possibility of developing asbestosis.	All persons using the Lodge.	A survey would indicate that there may be a limited use of asbestos sheeting in the Lodge but it is considered that the risks are very low if the material is left undisturbed. The Activity Centre Warden is to be consulted before any construction work is carried-out in the Lodge.
Legionella bacteria - with the possibility of contracting Legionella Disease	All persons using water drawn on-site	In view of the limited storage of water on site and the ambient temperatures, conditions are not favourable for any bacteria to multiply.

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Legionella bacteria - with the possibility of contracting Legionella Disease (<i>continued</i>).		Additionally, when not in use, the temperature of any stored water will rapidly fall to conditions not favourable for any bacteria to multiply.
		A survey would indicate that water cannot stagnate anywhere in the system (but as a precaution it would be sensible to consider running cold water for a short period before use at the start of a visit, especially in the Lodge).
		Although unlikely, water droplets from showers is the possible mechanism for the dispersal of any bacteria (but as a precaution it would be sensible to consider running hot water for a short period before use).
Bunk beds.	All users of the Lodge.	Centre staff to carry-out a regular safety review (both to identify any possibility that users can slip/slide from bunks and to check the rigidity of construction of the beds).
		Leaders are to brief their group that games and the like are not appropriate activities any bedroom
Installed activity facilities.	All persons on site.	Leaders are to brief their groups that the facilities (assault course, archery range and rifle range) are out-of-bounds unless taking part in a programmed activity under the control of an authorised instructor.
Trees.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	The site will be inspected periodically for any dangerous trees by the Activity Centre Warden and expert advice sought, if required; remedial action will be taken as necessary.
		Some areas of the site may not be appropriate for camping in high winds. A dynamic risk assessment is to be maintained and campers moved if necessary.
		Leaders are responsible for briefing their groups and setting boundaries in relation to tree climbing.
Natural environment.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	In addition to the hazards identified above, Leaders should brief their group accordingly in relation to insect stings/bites, nettle stings, toxic plants and the like.
Ticks - with the possibility of contracting Lyme Disease	All persons on site - especially those passing through moist areas with dense vegetation or long grass.	Preferably stay to paths and stay out of deep vegetation: wear long-sleeved garments and long trousers. Everyone should inspect themselves after such activities - removing any ticks by the recommended method. Further guidance is available on www.scouts.org.uk .
Fire.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	Separate guidance will be provided in relation to the occupation of any permanent building: emergency exits, alarm systems, emergency lighting, kitchen procedures, etc.

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Fire (<i>continued</i>).		For those groups camping, Leaders are to ensure that best practice is followed and that naked flames are not too close to combustible materials.
Fire risk from smoking.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	Smoking, including vaping, is not permitted anywhere within the boundary of Littledale Activity Centre.
		For those groups camping, Leaders are responsible for ensuring compliance.
Proximity to farm machinery, animals, etc.	All persons on site - particularly visiting groups.	Leaders are responsible for briefing their groups (and setting boundaries) when taking part in activities off-site (and to respect other people's property).