

ILCHESTER ESTATES

RISK ASSESSMENT

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Department / Site Location: Children's Farm, Abbotsbury	Date: 21/7/2015 Assessment No: TBF29	Assessors Name: M Alderman, John Houston Overall Rating: Low Risk
<u>ACTIVITY / PROCESS:</u> (plus frequency of exposure) Persons (including children) visiting the Children's Farm Complex		No OF PERSONS AT RISK EMPLOYEES OTHERS 1 2-5 6-10 ... X 10 + X .. (tick appropriate column)
<u>LIST GROUPS OF PEOPLE AT RISK FROM SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS:</u> School parties and general public.		
<u>HAZARDS INVOLVED WITH ACTIVITY / PROCESS:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving vehicles. 2. Ponds and stream in vicinity of visiting children. 3. Lost/Disoriented child. 4. Climbing on railings, fencing, walls, seating, pillars. 5. Uneven surfaces, wet floors (including Water play & toilets) and mud. 6. Electric fencing. 7. Farm Animals 8. Close proximity to animals & animal waste. 9. Guinea pig feeding. 10. Animal escape. 11. Controlled pony rides. 12. Goat/Lamb walking. 13. Bottle feeding goats/lambs. 14. Children's indoor/outdoor play areas. 15. Bale mountain. 16. Wasps/Bees. 17. Bouncy Castle. 		
<u>EXISTING SAFETY / CONTROL MEASURES:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vehicles moving (on site) supervised by member of staff standing outside vehicle. 2. Staff, teacher & adult supervision + warning signs. Grab-pole, lifebelt & floating rope ready at hand. 3. Correct teacher/pupil ratio. Teacher's head counts. Good teacher/staff/adult supervision. 4. Good supervision. 5. Good supervision, children encouraged not to run. Regular visual checks of indoor and outdoor surfaces. 6. Warning signs, fence turned off during the day. 7. Safety barriers, warning signs, no feeding without supervision. 8. Pens & yard cleaned daily, animals checked daily, sick animals isolated, washing facilities available and prominently signed. Lambs & Goats treated with "Vecoxam" every six weeks. 9. Supervised by farm staff. Children with known allergies should be prevented from handling Guinea pigs by teachers/adults. 		

10. Working procedures designed to avoid escape, emergency procedure in place, good supervision.
11. Carefully selected ponies, always led by competent staff, riders always wear fitted safety hats. Isolated track.
12. Carefully supervised by staff, only competent persons given goats/lambs to walk.
13. Children only allowed to feed healthy animals. Children instructed to wash hands thoroughly. Parents/adults encouraged to supervise.
14. Supervision notices, height restriction applies to indoor play area. Regular maintenance checks. Equipment meets stringent safety standards. Annual ROSPA inspections carried out.
15. Teacher/adult supervision required. Teachers/adults should be aware of dust and should prevent children with known allergies from using Bale Mountain. Shavings help to cushion falls. No smoking allowed in this area.
16. Bins emptied regularly, pest Control Company engaged to deal with any problems.
17. Teacher/adult supervision required, in addition at peak times staff supervision will be used. A limited number of children allowed on at a time.

<u>RISK RATING</u>	<u>LIKELIHOOD</u>	<u>SEVERITY OF INJURY</u>	<u>RATING BANDS</u>	<u>ACTION REQUIRED</u>
	1. MOST UNLIKELY	1. TRIVIAL INJURY/IES	1&2 MINIMAL RISK	MAINTAIN CONTROL MEASURES
	2. UNLIKELY	2. SLIGHT INJURY/IES	3&4 LOW RISK	REVIEW CONTROL MEASURES
	3. LIKELY	3. SERIOUS INJURY/IES	6&8 MEDIUM RISK	IMPROVE CONTROL MEASURES/ENSURE ADEQUATE SUPERVISION
	4. MOST LIKELY	4. MAJOR INJURY/IES OR DEATH	9,12 & 16 HIGH RISK	IMPROVE CONTROLS IMMEDIATELY & CONSIDER STOPPING WORK

RESIDUAL RISK:

1. Collision causing serious injury.
2. Risk of drowning.
3. Danger due to venturing out-of-bounds or contact with other people.
4. Risk of falling.
5. Trips, slips & falls.
6. Risk of minor shock.
7. Bites, scratches & allergic reactions.
8. Risk of contracting Zoonosis e.g. Coccidiosis.
9. Bites, scratches & allergic reactions.
10. Trained farm staff, group to follow directions of staff & responsible adults.
11. Falling, kicked or bitten.
12. Knocked/pulled over, head butted, bitten.
13. Zoonosis, falling/tripping, nibbled fingers.
14. Falling, equipment failure, collision.
15. Falling, collision.
16. Strings.
17. Falling, collisions.

Risk Rating :

Likelihood x Severity = Rating

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ADDITIONAL CONTROL MEASURES / ASSESSMENTS REQUIRED TO REDUCE THE RESIDUAL RISK :