

Litter Pick activity - EXAMPLE RISK ASSESSMENT

RISK RATING MATRIX		
Probability	Severity	Risk
Probable = 3	Critical = 3	6 - 9 = High Risk
Possible = 2	Serious = 2	4 = Medium Risk
Unlikely = 1	Minor = 1	1 - 3 Low Risk

Assessors Name(s): John Smith	Reference no:	Assessment Date:	Review Date:
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Site / Area: Cliftonville seafront- Hodges gap to lido, beaches, lower and upper prom	Location: Cliftonville	Identify People at Risk: volunteers, other members of public
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Details of operation or work activity undertaken: Litter pick beach and proms with Mcdonalds and Thanet volunteers

Hazards	Initial Risk			Controls / Safeguards / Precautions	Residual Risk			Initial once implemented
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal Injury; cuts and grazes Nettle/insect stings Slips, Trips, Falls 	2	2	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to First Aid box No unprotected feet – wear sturdy shoes, boots or trainers –all briefed on this in advance Wear suitable clothing –all briefed on this in advance All to use litter pickers to collect rubbish - NEVER scoop up items by hand. No gloves supplied to volunteers for this reason. Be wary of uneven ground and trip hazards including trailing vegetation 	1	2	2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beach/promenades 	2	3	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All briefed on staying behind the railings on clifftop- no one should attempt to climb over to reach litter. Tide is out for activity- but vigilance should be maintained by all group members and stick together so no one gets lost or cut off. Stay away from uneven rocks/slippery rocks or other unstable areas around cliffs and clifftops 	1	2	2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Car Park and Roads 	2	3	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young people to remain under supervision and in sight of adults at all times Briefing to include warning on roads, speed limits and any known hazards Briefing to include warning to always focus when crossing streets and be aware of surroundings at all times 	1	2	2	

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be aware of cars, potentially trying to park, maintain vigilance, give warning to others of approaching vehicles Don't pick litter from the road but to remain on pavements and paths Tabards or hi-vis to be worn at all times 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cuts and possible infection through contact with Sharps and Syringes 	2	3	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> People finding syringes should not touch them, but immediately notify the leader who will arrange disposal through the local authority. Area will be reassessed for suitability. Any accidental piercing by syringe should be immediately treated at medical practice or A & E (see below) 	1	3	3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dog Fouling 	2	2	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Advise on issue of dog fouling during the briefing Do not touch dog fouling If found warn others in the vicinity Report faeces to local authority 	1	2	2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dogs 	2	3	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leaders to maintain vigilance for dogs off leads Dog Walkers in vicinity to be advised of the litter pick and to keep dogs under control Children to remain under supervision and within sight of adults at all times 	1	3	3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contact with Hazardous Chemicals 	1	2	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any suspicious drums, materials or containers with contents not identifiable to be left untouched and Environment Agency Pollution Hotline to be contacted (0800 80 70 60 https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/environment-agency#org-contacts) 	1	2	2	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lifting heavy items 	3	2	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All leaders and young people to leave bulky items alone 	2	2	4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteers not familiar with safety procedures 	3	2	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All leaders and young people will be given a briefing covering the above risks and general information about correct use of the equipment, the site and reporting procedures 	2	2	4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding – children and vulnerable adults in a public area 	1	3	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All children and any vulnerable adults to be accompanied by leaders in approved ratios No child to be out of sight of an adult Young people will be paired up during litter pick Where DBS is required for individuals this is in place All on activity to maintain vigilant where members of the public not participating in the event are using the same public space Group to wear hi vis tabards to allow easy identification 	1	3	3	

Personal Protective Equipment Needed	Provided by	First Aiders/Group Leaders	Nearest Telephone	Nearest 24 hour Hospital with A&E
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<p>Hi vis provided by TDC and other groups attending. All to wear their own suitable clothing Water – volunteers advised in advance to bring their own</p>		<p>John Smith group leader</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mobiles will be available	<p>QEQM A&E 01843 225544 St Peters Road, Margate CT9 4AN http://www.ekhufft.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/queen-elizabeth-the-queen-mother-hospital/</p> <p>William Harvey A&E 01233 633331 Kennington Road, Willesborough , Ashford, Kent, TN24 0LZ http://www.ekhufft.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/william-harvey-hospital/</p>
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