

HAWKSTONE PARK FOLLIES

GROUP VISIT RISK ASSESSMENT – HPFgv001

Location: Hawkstone Park Follies

Persons Affected: Staff & Follies Visitors

PPE Required: Sturdy footwear, sensible outdoor clothing, water bottles, first aid kit

Hawkstone Park Follies carries out risk assessments in all relevant areas of operation to allow a safe day out for visitors, staff and guests on site. The below information highlights information from our Park wide risk assessments that may be useful for group and school organisers when planning a visit. We strongly recommend that the organiser carries out a pre-visit (2 tickets available pre group booking per year) to carry out their own risk assessment.

Hazard	Risk	Severity 1-3	Likelihood 1-3	Rating S x P	Controls
Uneven ground due to natural terrain	Slips, trips and falls	2	2	4	Advice to all visitors on website, on map and in visitor centre to wear sensible footwear. Organisers to keep group walking and not running Organisers to keep group on set paths
High drops in particular The Monument, Swiss Bridge and Grotto Hill cliffs	Serious injury or death from fall	3	1	3	All areas of high cliff have handrails to reduce guests approaching edges Organisers to keep group walking and not running Organiser to keep group on set paths Organisers to ensure children are not left unsupervised Organisers to ensure group do not climb on railings under or over
Areas of low lighting	Slips, trips and falls, injury from hitting into cave walls, low arches or ceilings	3	1	3	Advice to all visitors on website, on map and in visitor centre to take torches Organisers to ensure torches available Torches are available to purchase in the gift shop on arrival if required
Large site with multiple paths	Children becoming lost	2	1	2	Maps provided to all organisers Organisers to arrange location to meet if children get

					<p>separated from the group Organisers to save Follies phone number 01948 841777 to mobile and contact visitor centre if any issues Signage located at all junction points Organisers to advise group if get lost, follow the signs with a tea cup on them to go back to the visitor centre via the shortest route Organisers should not leave children unsupervised on any area of the Park Advise organisers to pair children together to ensure a buddy system should they become separated from main group</p>
Hot weather	Sunburn or heat exhaustion	2	2	4	<p>Encourage use of sun cream and sun hats Organisers to ensure group has adequate hydration Bottles of water available to purchase from the Gift Shop and Tearoom Drinking water tap available on Grotto Hill</p>
Wet weather	Slipping underfoot causing trip and fall injuries in addition to increasing risk of all above risks	3	2	6	<p>If wet, organisers to ensure extra care taken with speed when walking paths, and that all paths are adhered to If group do not have sensible footwear and outdoor waterproof clothing, advice would be to not go on the walk</p>
Lightning	Participants being struck	3	1	3	<p>Monument is closed during lighting storms Advise to organisers if lighting storm approaches, please head to lower ground away from cliff edges and hilltops</p>

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