

Alnwick u3a Walkers Risk Assessment Sheet

Date:

Walk Location:

Assessment carried out by

Possible hazard?	Who might be harmed and how?	How is the risk to be controlled?	Controlling Action taken?
Bad Weather	Walkers – risk of illness and injury, risk of group being stranded	Check forecast and postpone/cancel if necessary. Advise walkers to bring suitable clothing for the conditions. Make note of “escape routes” on recce.	
Busy roads	Walkers – risk of road accident	Avoid routes along busy roads and/or check for suitable crossing places on recce	
Steep, slippery or muddy sections	Walkers – risk of trips/slips	Check for muddy/slippery sections on the recce and adapt route if necessary. Advise walkers to bring suitable footwear for the conditions	
Livestock	Walkers – risk of injury Livestock/Property – if livestock escape	Cross field with livestock calmly and quietly, keeping together. Be prepared to divert if necessary. Follow Countryside Code, leaving gates and property as you find them.	
Accident / Emergency	Walker / Leader unable to contact Family or friend	Strongly recommend that walkers have ICE card in the possession	
Other?			