**RISK ASSESSMENT: Cryptic Challenge** Completed by: Activities Management Team Date: 15/12/2023 Review Date: 15/12/2024



| What is the                             | Who               | How might   | Risk        | Rating   |      |   |  |             | Remaining Risk |      |  |
|---|-------------------|---|-------------|----------|------|---|--|-------------|----------------|------|--|
| Hazard?                                 | may be<br>harmed? | people be<br>harmed?  | Probability | Severity | Risk |   | Control Measures in Place  | Probability | Severity       | Risk |  |
| Slips, Trips<br>and Falls               | All               | Cuts, grazes and bruises  | 3           | 2        | 6    | • | All participants are instructed to wear appropriate footwear.<br>Participants warned about exposed tree roots and potential hazards.   | 2           | 2              | 4    |  |
| Exposure/<br>Hypothermia<br>and Sunburn | All               | Sunburn, high<br>temperature and<br>dehydration.  | 3           | 3        | 9    | • | Participants should have suitable clothing prior to the activity.<br>Participants to drink plenty of water<br>Sun cream to be applied when needed.   | 1           | 3              | 3    |  |
| Group<br>Behaviour                      | All               | Loss of control of<br>the group,<br>participants being<br>distracted/ not<br>listening. |             | 2        | 6    | • | Group leaders are to ensure that the group is under control at all<br>times.<br>Group leader to stop the activity if participant behaviour becomes<br>dangerous.   | 1           | 2              | 2    |  |
| Injuries to a<br>Group Member           | All               | Variety of<br>injuries including<br>Musculoskeletal<br>injuries, cuts,<br>bruises       | 3           | 3        | 9    | • | Participants to stay in minimum of groups of three.<br>In the event of a party member getting injured one person is to stay<br>with the injured member while the rest of the group goes for help.<br>Group leader is to deal with first aid; help is available from the<br>reception.  | 2           | 3              | 6    |  |
| Lost<br>Participant                     | All               | Emotional<br>distress   | 2           | 3        | 6    | • | Group are told about the site having boundary fences and they are to<br>stay on site.<br>There is no need to go off site for this activity.<br>Younger participants are advised to have adults in the group.<br>The Cryptic Challenge activity cards include a site map.   | 1           | 3              | 3    |  |
| Out of Bounds<br>Areas                  | All               | Variety of<br>injuries including<br>Musculoskeletal<br>injuries, cuts,<br>bruises       | 3           | 4        | 12   | • | <ul> <li>Areas such as staff accommodation, activity and maintenance areas are strictly 'Out of Bounds'.</li> <li>Fences and signs stop visitors from entering these areas along with checkpoint markers not being positioned near these areas.</li> <li>Participants warned there is no need to go into any of these areas.</li> <li>Certain areas of site are locked to prevent access to unauthorised persons.</li> </ul> | 1           | 4              | 4    |  |



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| Adverse<br>Weather | All               | See 'Exposure'       | 2           | 3        | 6    | • | Advice is given on what to do in the occurrence of adverse weather.<br>Participants are advised to wear suitable clothing for weather<br>conditions.<br>Refer to 'Adverse Weather' policy. | 1           | 3              | 3    |  |

| Level | Likelihood Factor | Severity Description  |
|-------|-------------------|---|
| 1     | Very Unlikely     | Insignificant – No injury or No First Aid required.   |
| 2     | Unlikely          | Minor – Minor injuries requiring first aid such as cuts, grazes, bruising.                              |
| 3     | Fairly Likely     | Moderate – Injuries resulting in up to three days' absence from work.                                   |
| 4     | Likely            | Major – Injuries resulting in a week or more absence from work, for example broken bones, deep cut etc. |
| 5     | Very Likely       | Catastrophic – Amputations or Death.  |

| Remaining Risk Le | evel Description  |
|-------------------|---|
| 1-5               | Very low, minimal risk, control measures more than adequate |
| 5-10              | Low, control measures satisfactory                          |
| 10-15             | Medium, control measures adequate                           |
| 15-20             | High, control measures need further consideration           |
| 20-25             | Very high, intolerable, stop Job                            |