

THANET COAST EVENTS RISK ASSESSMENT 2017		EVENT TITLE: 'Generic' Seashore Safaris	DATES: June- Aug 2017	LEADER: Tony Child
	Hazard	Risk & Level*	Preventative measures	Level & risk achieved
Weather	Hot or Cold: cold <i>Short-term forecast: Met Office forecasts TO BE OBTAINED a day or two before the EVENT for advice /or/ if to cancel or advise participants on the day.</i>		Participants have been advised to wear appropriate clothing for day, including jackets, water/windproofs. And will be advised to apply sunscreen and wear hats and/or jackets if appropriate. If sun out & high UV predicted, or where participants need advice to wrap up as cold chill.	Low
	Wind or/ & Rain	<i>As above</i>	Participants have been advised to wear appropriate clothing for day, including water/wind proofs.	Low
	Other eg Fog; or Extreme weather conditions (storms/high winds/excess rain)	<i>As above</i>	However, event will be cancelled in extreme or very poor weather conditions.	Low
Site	Cliff base or face – Rockfalls	Low	Event to be held on the chalk reef - well away from any non-defended cliffs. Advice to be given if dry table near cliffs.	Low
	Cliff top or promenade – Edge	Medium/Low	Meeting/event to be held on the beach & rockpools. Sign-in may be on promenade/upper beach – so set-up away & advice given about any unfenced prom. TBC per site: Promenade has railings, and access to event directed via slope/steps.	Low
	Tides – danger of getting cut off	High/Medium	Event starts one hour before Low Tide (Tides confirmed per event /site) – & so activity ends before tide comes back in too far; so reduced risk of being cut off on reef/along coast	Low
	Slippery: algae- steps/slopes; seaweed on reef	Slipping over/abrasions: High/Medium	Participants/volunteers/staff advised to wear appropriate footwear for rockpools/reef & given safety advice on taking care on slippery seaweed covered rocks; slopes; steps (especially if wet) including not to run. 1 st Aid box x2 with TCP / RNLI on main beaches.	Low
	Seawater – algal blooms Brackish water - Weil's disease	Med/Low	Participants will be using sieves to collect specimens but will also pick specimens up or touch rocks – so will be advised to wash hands afterward. Paddling in rockpools only - so no immersion/swimming in conjunction with this event.	Low
	Other: beach litter, sharp objects; infection Sharps & dogs mess	Medium/Low	Participants will be given health & safety on joining – esp. if possibility of finding sharp objects/litter on beach; dogs mess - not to touch, but inform leader esp. if needle is found. People to be told of any specific beach issues eg Be aware of glass/ceramics Margate Sands. Bag taken for beach litter	Low
Access	Access to beach: slope/steps – slippery if wet	Med /Low	After sign in – any access hazards pointed out to avoid/take care	Low
Traffic / Other people	Promenades – chalet areas; edge; Highway traffic; Steep hills/slopes/ busy roads Beach sand levelling / raking	N/A	Event takes place away from highway traffic. However, sand levelling/raking by TDC waste & street cleaning / foreshore does take place (usually early morning) – so they will be informed of the event beforehand.	
	Other: Beach users	Medium /	H&S to advise care about other users (eg dog walkers). Event Leader will identify a beach base for beach/sand art activities (adj. to strandline)	Low
Group	Large Group	Medium/Low given volunteer help and booking limits	Led by TCP staff with support from volunteers. All children will be accompanied by an adult. The attendees will disperse across the beach & rockpools rather than staying in one group. Initial 'Health & Safety' talk to be given about coastal environment & risks/dangers.	Low
	Children	High	All child participants will be accompanied by responsible adult, with only TCP staff/volunteers (DBS staff/ main volunteer helpers). All participants will be given initial H&S guidelines and safe rock-pooling advice (rockpooling code)	Low
	Old people /Accessibility	Low	Older people can join in – if unsure we will suggest that they can walk on sand along bay, as not on slippery rocks/surfaces & can access on disability ramp/slope into bay.	Low
	Other: eg Needs/special requirement	Medium / Low	'Beach within Reach' wheelchairs available on prior request; and staff will ask to see if we can make any other special requirements at the start.	Low

SAFETY & WELFARE EQUIPMENT	EQUIPMENT	OUT	IN	CHECK	<p>* If Risk is medium or high, then preventative measures must be completed</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tony Child, Event Leader (new mobile no. – to be given out to volunteers) 2. First Aid Trained – Tony Child; Laura Welton & Julie Perrin 3. Volunteer support on the day: Julie Perrin (1st Aid trained); & various named 'NEKMPA Coastal Warden' volunteers = main ones with DBS checks (although not essential as parents present). 4. Emergency postcode location = Confirmed per location; Nearest Hospital QEQM. 5. Nearest toilets – Identified per location. 6. Main local car parks (identified for each site: as per beach signs) 7 * Available (reserve taken) but also identify per location, the closest cafes / refreshments <p style="text-align: right; font-size: small;">5-2016 TCEventRecord&RiskAssmt</p>	
	Emergency contacts: 999 +	✓				
	Mobile: Leader/assistant	✓				Batteries/cover on beach
	First Aid Box:	✓check				
	Water:	*				
	Map:	As submitted				
	Other: Plastic tubs & scavenger sheet; Buckets & Spades	✓				