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<b>Activity: Kimmeridge Bay - Rock Pools / Geology / Beach Clean</b>			
<b>Risk Assessment Completed By: Michael Gould and Louise Harding</b>		<b>Date: January 2020 Review: January 2021</b>	
<b>See General Off-Site Risk Assessment</b>			
1	<b>Remote location</b>	Illness / accident in a remote location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leader must be familiar with nature of the bay under the prevailing conditions and choose working areas and activities appropriate to the conditions and group</li> </ul>
2	<b>Exposure</b>	Inadequate clothing for conditions There is NO SHELTER in the bay area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure the group is adequately equipped and that a weather forecast is obtained.</li> <li>• Carry KISU if appropriate</li> <li>• Be prepared to change plans if area chosen is exposed to the wind / weather.</li> </ul>
3	<b>Cliff edges and bases</b>	Cliff edges with long drop, loose rock in cliffs, especially by main car park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief all group members to be aware of cliff edges and to keep away from tops <u>and bases</u> of cliffs. Most of the cliff edges are unfenced.</li> <li>• Leader must be in front at all times and all other adult helpers must remain vigilant AT ALL TIMES</li> <li>• Do not park minibuses close to cliff tops</li> </ul>
4	<b>Slippery Rock Surfaces, in particular during the winter and areas covered by green/purple algae</b>	Tripping / falling / sliding if wet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leader must be in front at all times.</li> <li>• Brief all group members to take care on all rocky surfaces</li> <li>• Brief all group members to especially avoid walking on green/purple algae covered areas.</li> <li>• Use ropes or other equipment to mark out working areas if required.</li> <li>• <b>NO RUNNING</b></li> </ul>
5	<b>Army ranges</b>	Areas used as army practice ranges Ordnance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check army range opening times and notices. Ensure that all group members keep within safe area AT ALL TIMES.</li> <li>• Brief group to avoid approaching and/or touching any metal objects found on the beach</li> </ul>
6	<b>Sea</b>	Sea, cut off by fast rising tide Usual large waves from boat/weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check tide tables beforehand</li> <li>• Carry throwline and have it to hand at all times.</li> </ul>
7	<b>Fossil hunting</b>	Brittle rocks shattering / injury to face and eyes Temptation to approach base of cliffs Geoconservation issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fossil hunting using hammers is prohibited in the bay.</li> <li>• Brief pupils to avoid banging rocks together, best to search amongst loose fragments at the shore line</li> <li>• DO NOT approach the freshly fallen material at the base of the cliffs.</li> </ul>
8	<b>Marine animals</b>	Bites, stings, damage to marine life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Avoid contact with sea anemone</li> <li>• Leave anemone and limpets on the rocks – <b>Do Not Remove.</b></li> <li>• Careful with large crabs</li> </ul>

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9	<b>Litter picking</b>	Sharp, very dirty objects, living items(seaweed), heavy items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief group about not picking up sharp or very dirty items.</li> <li>• Everyone to wear gloves provided.</li> <li>• Adult to pick up heavy bags/items</li> <li>• Avoid unusual metal items (see ordnance)</li> <li>• Avoid bagging seaweed</li> </ul>
<b>Emergency</b>		<p>See General Off-Site Risk Assessment Emergency Procedures Coastguard Hut and emergency phone at grid ref 908787 in Kimmeridge Bay.</p> <p><b>Mobile Phone coverage is intermittent across the whole bay but generally better at the eastern end and in the car park area</b></p> <p>Police/Ambulance/Coastguard – 999 or 112 <span style="float: right;">Leeson House 01929 422126</span></p> <p>Kimmeridge Information Centre – 01929 481044</p>	