Please note that this risk assessment applies to the activity at the date of writing and under the prevailing weather conditions at this time. Please discuss any possible changes to this assessment with Leeson staff before undertaking this activity.

Activity: Chapmans Pool

Risk Assessment Completed By: Louise Harding and Mike Gould			**Date: January 2019** **Review: January 2020**
1	**Paths from cliff top to beach**	Two options 1 – Very steep path with loose stones and steep drops in places – can be extremely slippery when wet 2 – Longer but gentle road and track	• Full briefing for pupils beforehand – check footwear • Check ground conditions before choosing route
2	**Rockfall**	Rocks falling onto beach and access path	• Keep away from base of cliffs and areas where fresh rock is noticed on the beach and track.
3	**Landslides**	Landslides affecting the access path and also blocking parts of the beach	• Staff to check beforehand • Use alternative route/location if required
4	**Beach area including slipway area**	Slippery rocks / concrete / steps Sea Cut off by tide	• Full briefing for pupils beforehand – check footwear • Position staff appropriately • No swimming • Carry throwline • Be fully aware of tidal times and conditions
5	**Rubbish on beach**	Rubbish including glass, metal, possible needles and other sharps washed in from sea	• Brief pupils to avoid any rubbish on beach • Ensure pupils have gloves if handling beach rubbish for sculpture activities etc
6	**Exposure / Sunburn / Heat Exhaustion**	Chapmans Pool is an exposed site with no effective shelter from the weather at all.	• Check weather forecast, group kit and fitness beforehand. • Carry KISU, spare water, clothing etc
7	**Fossil collecting**	**Discourage fossil collecting from near the base of the cliffs at all times!**	
Emergency		**There is no mobile phone signal on Chapmans Pool or on the paths down to it from the top of the hillside. The nearest location for a good mobile signal is the at the top of the cliffs and/or in the Car Park. The nearest public phone is in Worth Matravers Village.** **Emergency Services – 999 or 112** **Leeson House – 01929 422126**	