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Activity: Kimmeridge Bay - Rock Pools / Geology / Beach Clean			
Risk Assessment Completed By: Michael Gould and Louise Harding		Date: January 2019 Review: January 2020	
See General Off-Site Risk Assessment			
1	Remote location	Illness / accident in a remote location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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
2	Exposure	Inadequate clothing for conditions There is NO SHELTER in the bay area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure the group is adequately equipped and that a weather forecast is obtained. Carry KISU if appropriate Be prepared to change plans if area chosen is exposed to the wind / weather.
3	Cliff edges and bases	Cliff edges with long drop, loose rock in cliffs, especially by main car park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. Leader must be in front at all times and all other adult helpers must remain vigilant AT ALL TIMES Do not park minibuses close to cliff tops
4	Slippery Rock Surfaces, in particular during the winter and areas covered by green/purple algae	Tripping / falling / sliding if wet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leader must be in front at all times. Brief all group members to take care on all rocky surfaces Brief all group members to especially avoid walking on green/purple algae covered areas. Use ropes or other equipment to mark out working areas if required. NO RUNNING
5	Army ranges	Areas used as army practice ranges Ordnance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check army range opening times and notices. Ensure that all group members keep within safe area AT ALL TIMES. Brief group to avoid approaching and/or touching any metal objects found on the beach
6	Sea	Sea, cut off by fast rising tide Usual large waves from boat/weather	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check tide tables beforehand Carry throwline and have it to hand at all times.
7	Fossil hunting	Brittle rocks shattering / injury to face and eyes Temptation to approach base of cliffs Geoconservation issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fossil hunting using hammers is prohibited in the bay. Brief pupils to avoid banging rocks together, best to search amongst loose fragments at the shore line DO NOT approach the freshly fallen material at the base of the cliffs.
8	Marine animals	Bites, stings, damage to marine life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid contact with sea anemone Leave anemone and limpets on the rocks – Do Not Remove. Careful with large crabs

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