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: Off Site Map and Compass

Risk Assessment Completed By: Michael Gould and Louise Harding	**Date: January 2019** **Review: January 2020**

See General Off-Site Risk Assessment and

Map Reading On-Site – plus additional points as detailed below

1	**Ground Conditions**	The areas used can become very muddy, with areas of very deep mud in some specific places, especially adjacent to the new farm buildings opposite South Barn.	• Detailed check of conditions beforehand – brief supervisory staff, alter position of supervisory staff if required, change routes if required, check footwear
2	**Communication**	Distance makes communication difficult, especially in poor visibility	• Use fully charged walkie talkie radios – demonstrate how to use them, have mobile phones and exchange numbers to use as a back up. Ensure staff have system of recording position and progress of all groups of pupils around the routes.
3	**Members of the public**	**P**ublic footpaths in area, pupils remote from direct supervision	• Ensure you have adequate numbers of staff in appropriate positions, ensure communication systems are working.
4	**Exposure**	Area is very exposed to the weather	• Check clothing and weather forecast beforehand
5	**Injury**	Pupils are remote from immediate first aid	• Supervisory staff should carry first aid kits
Emergency		See General Off-Site Risk Assessment Emergency Procedures Use communication system to call in pupils and staff Nearest phones and first aid are in the classroom block. Police/Ambulance/Coastguard – 999 or 112 Leeson House – 01929 422126	