



South Tyneside Council

RISK ASSESSMENT

Department: Services for Young People, Children, Adults & Families		Section: Thurston O.E.C.		Assessment No: L6														
Work Activity	Climbing, Abseiling - Outdoors																	
	All hazards & control measures as for "Generic Assessment for all Outdoor Activities" plus additions below				<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2">Risk rating, without controls <i>(see Matrix overleaf)</i></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="width: 70%;">High</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Medium</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Low</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> </tr> </table>	Risk rating, without controls <i>(see Matrix overleaf)</i>		High	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Medium	<input type="checkbox"/>	Low	<input type="checkbox"/>					
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Population Exposed	Employees:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sub Contractors:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Public:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>												
	Young Persons:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Special Groups:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Children:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>												
Control Measures	<p>Activity run in line with "Rock Climbing, Abseiling (Outdoors) Operating Procedures" with control measures including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration to safe areas at the crag Regular inspection & replacement of ropes & other climbing equipment Suitable belay method used Tying back of long hair Removal of jewellery that presents a hazard Visual inspection of all equipment prior to use Correctly fitting harnesses & helmets issued & checked Consideration to route choice Abseil ropes releasable under load <p style="text-align: center;">Continue on separate sheet, if necessary</p>																	
Information Instruction Training Required	As stated in operating procedures																	
Personal Protective Measures (PPE)	As stated in operating procedures																	

Implementation Plan		By Whom	Target Date
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Risk Rating with Controls in place	<input type="checkbox"/> HIGH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MEDIUM	<input type="checkbox"/> LOW
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Monitoring and Review	Review Date	By Whom	Target Date
	<i>Dec 2020</i>		<i>2022</i>

Action Identified From Review		By Whom	Target Date
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Risk Matrix				
Likelihood		Worst Case Outcome		
		<i>Fatality</i>	<i>Major Injury</i>	<i>Minor Injury</i>
	<i>Probable</i>	HIGH	HIGH	MED.
	<i>Possible</i>	HIGH	MED	MED.
	<i>Improbable</i>	MED.	LOW	LOW

Assessment conducted by: _____ **Signed:** _____ **Date:** _____
 Revised: December 2020. AS, RC, JS.