

Risk Assessment: RESIDENTIAL VISITS

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Risk assessment to be used in conjunction with risk assessments for external venues, providers and/or specific activities.

Risk	Who is affected	Risk Level	Control Measures / Action Required
 General behaviour and conduct of students and staff 	Young people visiting Cambridge for residential visits	• Low	 Participants expected to have reasonable standards of behaviour, as they would at school. Participants issued with a written 'behaviour contract' before participation in event. Department for Education guidelines on teacher: pupil ratio and pupils for field trips to be followed and pupils supervised by teachers or staff as appropriate. University staff and student ambassadors to be directed to the University's 'Child Protection Policy' before any event, and to avoid situations where they are alone with a school pupil participant. All CAO staff, student ambassadors and residential supervisors to have undergone enhanced CRB check before taking part in a visit. Participants to be fully briefed at start of event on the timetable and their expected co-operation by CAO Event Coordinator.
 Accommodation and venues (fire, accidents) 		■ Medium	 CAO Event Coordinator to ensure that he/she is aware of relevant safety information and procedures for any specific venue ahead of event, including procedures for dealing with and reporting injury or accidents. Participants to be advised of safety procedures, emergency exits and location of emergency equipment. Participants to know whereabouts of teachers/staff and CAO Event Coordinator and to stay in groups as allocated. Groups to be allocated staff member or student ambassador, who is aware of safety procedures. Any additional venue-specific safety procedures to be followed as appropriate in consultation with relevant College, department or faculty.
 Accident during workshop activities 		■ Medium	 Participants to be advised of safety procedures during workshop activities, and to know whereabouts of teachers. Undergraduate ambassadors assisting in activity to be advised of safety procedures and whereabouts of the teachers and CAO Event Coordinator. Teachers and CAO Event Coordinator to make regular checks. Additional departmental safety procedures to be implemented as appropriate in consultation with relevant departmental activity leader.

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 Accident during tour of Cambridge 	■ Medium	 Participants to be advised of safety procedures during tour. Groups to maintain appropriate ratio of staff to students at all times. Undergraduate ambassadors to be advised of safety procedures and whereabouts / contact for CAO Event Coordinator. Participants to remain in allocated groups at all times and only to follow pre-determined routes. Staff and student ambassadors to know procedures for dealing with injury, in case of trips or falls, including nearest first aid contact.
 Lost students during tour of Cambridge or travel between venues 	■ Medium	 Participants to be advised of procedures in case they lose group while on tour – meeting point to be agreed beforehand with CAO Event Coordinator / teachers / undergraduates. Staff and student ambassadors to keep participants in allocated groups and to inform CAO Event Coordinator / teachers immediately in the case of anyone going missing. Maps and duty phone numbers for CAO issued to all participants as part of welcome pack. Participants to be issued with a lanyard to wear throughout visit, with event name and duty phone numbers.
Residence in College	■ Medium	 Participants are required to 'sign in' for the night; bedtime is clearly explained in the event timetable. Pupils are instructed to remain in their own accommodation areas, which are gender segregated. CAO Event Coordinator, Residential Supervisors and student ambassadors are resident in College throughout the event. The 24 hour duty phone is kept with the CAO Event Coordinator or Residential Supervisor and pupils can call if they are unwell or have a problem during the night. College Porters are first aid trained, provide 24 hour site security, are informed that no pupil should

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■ Food Safety		■ Medium	 Participants only to consume food provided by University approved suppliers or College catering. Information on food allergies to be provided by participants / teachers prior to visit.
Unauthorised photography		■ Medium	 Event coordinator to ensure that only event participants who have given written permission are included in any photographs from a CAO appointed photographer.
Third party organisation risks		Medium	It is the responsibility of the event coordinator to ensure that any third party organisations involved in a visit provides a satisfactory risk assessment in advance of the visit.
Manual Handling	 SCLOs and other staff employed by CAO 	■ Medium	 CAO Event Coordinator s to receive manual handling briefing/training, as appropriate. Staff to ensure that any lifting (e.g. materials to venue) is securely packed and can be comfortably managed, or to use alternative means of transport (e.g. taxi / courier).
Travel to Cambridge via coach or train	CAO Staff & young people on programme visiting Cambridge for one-day and/or residential visits	Low	 Staff should ensure that someone knows where they are going and how they can be contacted Staff should take a mobile phone Journeys should be planned in advance and travel advice sought before travel. Staff should be confident that public transport and private hire vehicles (taxis) are properly licensed and fit for purpose. Staff should make use of University accounts wherever possible to ensure that safety and insurance requirements are met as standard. Participants should be advised to carry a mobile phone when travelling and have the number of the CAO staff's duty phone number. Participants should be issued with a travel guide so they are aware of the travel arrangements.

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