

Section 1

Project or location

Great Leaps Adventure-Buckmore Park

Details of work & area (specify people, equipment, materials, substances, frequency & conditions)

The activities included within this risk assessment are:

Mountain Biking

Participants partake in the sport of mountain biking as part of their enrichment, education provision or therapeutic engagement. This activity will take place at appropriate times which link to the participants' main experience aim.

All Participants are supervised throughout.

Department (or business) supervising the work

Great Leaps Adventure

Now complete Section 2 (next page) – Use the tables below to assess the risks

Likelihood of Harm	L	Probable Severity	S	Risk Rating R (LxS)		Likelihood of Harm (L)	Probable Severity (S)				
				1 to 6	LOW		1	2	3	4	5
Very unlikely	1	Trivial Injury	1	1 to 6	LOW	2	4	6	8	10	
Unlikely	2	Minor Injury	2			3	6	9	12	15	
50/50 Likelihood	3	Moderate Injury	3	7 to 14	MEDIUM	4	8	12	16	20	
Likely	4	Major Injury	4			5	10	15	20	25	
Very Likely	5	Fatality	5	15 to 25	HIGH						

People at risk

Participants/staff/members of the public. All have completed a medical/physical activity readiness questionnaire prior to commencement of their activity.

Comments

These activities are part of an identified activity/experience requested by an external party and provided by Great Leaps Adventure.

The activity content and all the various physical abilities for the group have been considered and it is deemed a medium risk activity.

Date for re-assessment or review (default to 12 months from date below): 30th March 2026

Risk Assessor: Graeme Pryke

Date: 30th March 2026

Section 2

Hazards & Dangers	Possible Harm	Control Measures in Place	LH	PS	RR	Further Action
<p>Injury Caused by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Falling off bike caused by: - Poor balance - Wet surface - Steep descents - Loose surface - Vehicles - Too close to the person in front - Equipment Failure - Collision with other road/trail users 	<p>Bruises, Cuts, Bumps and Breaks.</p> <p>All parties involved.</p>	<p>All Participants must wear helmets.</p> <p>Instructor to provide safety briefing before the session.</p> <p>Instructor to consider group competence when selecting route.</p> <p>Instructor to hold first aid qual. and carry first aid kit.</p> <p>Route planned to reduce the use of public roads.</p> <p>Group is managed effectively by the instructor.</p> <p>Forestry operations signs and advice followed.</p> <p>Group briefed on considerate riding.</p> <p>Must ride on bridleways not footpaths.</p> <p>Immediate access to a first aid kit by an instructor at all times.</p>	3	3	Medium	
<p>Bike failure might include :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brake pads worn - Deraillleur snapped - Punctures - Pedal snapped 	<p>Time delay, Falling from the bike, cuts, bruises, bumps and breaks.</p>	<p>Full bike checks to occur prior to session. The group can assist in this but leader must also check.</p> <p>A repair kit appropriate to the ride must be carried within the group.</p>	2	3	Low	



Section 2

Hazards & Dangers	Possible Harm	Control Measures in Place	LH	PS	RR	Further Action
Participants lost/separated from group.	Anxiety, stress and mental health.	Group is managed effectively by the instructor and supporting staff teams. Limited group size and leader/participant ratio. Group are briefed of what to do if they become separated.	2	3	Low	

CHILD PROTECTION

Our policy is consistent with current good practice in this area and meets current statutory requirements. Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are carried out on all staff.

SUPERVISION WHEN NOT ON ACTIVITIES

This is the responsibility of the group leader.

EQUIPMENT

All Specialist equipment is provided.

All equipment provided will be fit for purpose and is inspected. Records of equipment checks are available for inspection on site.