Litter Pick – template risk assessment

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| Hazard (Anything that could cause harm) | Risk –(The chance that someone will be harmed by the hazard) | Control measures | Person responsible for implementing measures |
| Roads and traffic | Children or adults could be hit by traffic | High-vis jackets to be worn at all times;Stay on footpaths;Stay away from fast roads; | Group leader (inform of rules during safety briefing and check that all children are wearing high-vis vests/jackets) |
| Dangerous items in litter: | Children could be cut by broken glass or sharp metal objects;Heavy objects may cause injury if tried to move them; | Inform all participants to keep away from dangerous or potentially hazardous items and not to lift heavy objects | Group leader (inform of rules during safety briefing)Adults supervising groups |
| Weather | Heat: sunstroke and dehydrationCold and rain: hypothermia | All children should wear protective clothing, i.e.hats and sunscreen for summer heat and warm and waterproof coats for cold and rain.Water bottles should be carried. | Group leader;Parents should be informed of the need for suitable clothing and refillable water bottles. |
| Slips and falls | People could slip on ground that is muddy or steep | Sensible shoes should be worn; Route should be assessed for steep slopes or slippery surfaces. | Group leader and supervising adults;Parents should be informed that children should be wearing sensible shoes. |
| Wild animals | Animals trapped in litter could bite and cause injury. | Inform participants not to try to free trapped animals, as they could hurt them in the process. | Group leader (during safety briefing) |
| Child becoming lost | A child becomes separated from the group and gets lost | Appropriate adult to child ratios to be used  | Group leader & supervising adults |