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What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing to control the risks?	What further action do you need to take to control the risks?	Who needs to carry out the action?	When is the action needed by?
Toilets	At Dumble Farm and at Laurel Vines Vineyard	Changed starting and finishing place		Walkers	On the day
Other dogs in the car park at Dumble Farm	Dogs may react to other dogs arriving to take part.	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Wet weather	People may become cold and uncomfortable.	People to dress appropriately for the weather, bringing waterproof clothing, gloves and hats if required, plus waterproof footwear.	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Sun burn / Biting Insects if hot etc	People might react badly or be uncomfortable	Advise to carry and wear sun protection / bug spray	SM to carry sun protection and bug spray	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Over-heated dogs	Dogs may become overheated	Bring plenty of water and a dog bowl for them. Remain alert to risks of over heating	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Uneven ground, slippery, muddy and wet underfoot	People may slip, trip and fall.	Advise to wear suitable footwear and bring walking poles if required.	Advise to take care on the day and lead the group slowly if ground becomes slippery	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Dog mess created along the route	Wild animals and crops	Advise on responsible dog ownership prior to setting off.	SM to carry spare doggy bags	Walkers / SM	On the day

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Sown and sprayed fields	Dogs and crops	Keep dogs to paths and on leads if they tend to run off. Recall dogs immediately if they stray onto fields. Do not let dogs eat crops	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Game birds and other wildlife	Dogs may run off and chase them	If dogs are likely to chase wildlife, maintain good recall and close contact with your dogs at all times	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Horses or cyclists on roads	People may be hit, dogs may be frightened, horses may be frightened.	Advise to keep a watch out for other users and keep dogs on leads if horses / cyclists seen.	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners / Walkers	On the day
First aid requirements	Caused by walking in the countryside	SM to carry first aid kit/. Walkers to carry own first aid kits. Advice given along the way if paths uneven or new hazard identified. Steady walking pace.	None	SM	On the day
Emergency Contacts	May be required if accidents occur	SM to gather emergency contacts before setting off	Also carry GPS signalling unit if no phone signal	SM	On the day
People and dogs may become unwell on the walk due to pre-diagnosed conditions	Walking may increase symptoms or exacerbate pre-existing conditions	All walkers to complete a Health Declaration for themselves and their dogs prior to walking and agree that they are fit and able to walk the route. SM to hold all health declarations and to refuse participation if it is felt	Make sure all forms are signed and handed in before a walk	SM & all Walkers	Prior to the walk and on the day.

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		that the risk is too great. (or that forms are not completed)			
Walkers / Dogs become unwell	People fall ill and cannot continue or fall behind	Advise on difficulty of walk, for people to decide if they are able to undertake it (and if their dogs can do the same).	Post a back-marker & mid-walker (with high vis-vests and walkie-talkies) to ensure no one is left. SM to keep in contact with back and mid-markers and walk at a pace that all walkers can do.	SM / Back marker	Prior to the walk and on the day.
Arrival at walk at Dumble Farm	Dogs get excited and may lunge or be afraid of other dogs	Keep dogs on leads until advised that they can be let off	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Livestock (cows)	May come across livestock on paths near the River Humber	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners. Test walk identified alternate route.	Restate on the day as we approach- put dogs back on leads if they are off-lead and keep under very close control. To walk in single file past any cows. Change route is needed	Dog Owners and SM	On the day
Crossing the train tracks	People or dogs may be hit by trains	Research train times. Cross only when tracks are definitely clear. Make several checks before crossing. Keep dogs on leads. Cross quickly and safely.	Restate on the day as we approach- put dogs back on leads if they are off-lead and keep under very close control.	Dog Owners and SM	On the day
Dogs may run off if not kept under control especially near train tracks	Dogs may be injured or killed. May cause issues with wildlife and other walkers.	Keep dogs under close supervision	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog owners	On the day

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Arram Village	Dogs and people may be injured by moving vehicles	Keep dogs on leads and under close supervision. Walkers to be mindful of cars, farm vehicles and other vehicles	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog owners	On the day
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