

Walking the Wolds – Mile & Rogue Wolves – 15.05.25

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?
Car Park – cars moving around – people & dogs	Dogs may run in front of or behind cars if not controlled and hit / be hit by cars	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners. Owners will be asked to take their dogs to the enclosed dog play park on arrival to wait for everyone to gather.	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Other dogs	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
Uneven ground, slippery and wet underfoot	People may slip and fall	Advise to wear suitable footwear and bring walking poles before hand	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
Biting Insects if hot etc	People might react badly or be uncomfortable	Advise to carry bug-repellent	SM to carry bug repellent	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Heat / Sun	People / Dogs get over heated / suffer from sunstroke	Advise to wear high factor sun screen and to carry sufficient water for them and their dogs. People also advised to wear protective clothing and hats.	Take regular walking breaks and allow dogs time to cool off in the streams along the route	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Newly sown crops – dogs running into them	Crops / Farmers	Advise on responsible dog ownership prior to setting off	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Walkers / SM	On the day

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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
Horses or cyclists on bridleways	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
The Mile	Dogs may run out onto road and hit / be hit by vehicles	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners	Restate on the day as we approach roads to put dogs back on leads if they are off-lead	Dog Owners and SM	On the day
The Mile Footpath – overhanging nettles	People may get nettled. People may have extreme adverse reactions	Prior warn walkers to wear long trousers / shirts and to be careful. Emergency numbers to be taken on the morning before setting off	Restate on the day as we approach footpath to take care	Walkers and SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Dogs may run off if not kept under control	May unexpectedly come across livestock or ground nesting birds	Keep dogs under close supervision	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog owners	On the day
Stile at start of field / Ousethorpe Farm and Grimthorpe Wood	Dogs may get stuck and not be able to go underneath	Make sure all dogs are through before moving on – advise of alternate route. Most dogs done this part of the route before	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog owners	On the day
Rutted Paths in Grimthorpe Wood	People may slip, trip and fall. Sprained ankles or similar	Advise to wear suitable footwear	Advise to take care on the day	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Potential of tree felling in Grimthorpe Wood	Watch for any activity on the day, and remain at a distance from activity /	Walkers to read risk assessment and SM to unlatch gates	Reinforce messages on the day	Walkers and Owners	On the day

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Electric Fence on descent	Dogs may get electrocuted	Advise when arrive at this point, keep dogs on leads if appropriate	Reinforce messages on the day	Walkers and Owners	On the day
Road back to field path (includes the quieter Mill Lane) - some stretches do not have a grass verge but most does.	Dogs may run out onto road and hit / be hit by vehicles	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners	Restate on the day as we approach roads to put dogs back on leads if they are off-lead	Dog Owners and SM	On the day
The Mile (100yards of no footpath)	Dogs may run out onto road and hit / be hit by vehicles	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners	Restate on the day as we approach roads to put dogs back on leads if they are off-lead	Dog Owners and SM	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	None	SM	On the day if missing from list and new