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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	No toilets on route	Use facilities before leaving Church Farm Cottages		Walkers	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
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
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
Newly sown and sprayed fields	Dogs and crops	Keep dogs to paths and on leads if they tend to run off. Recall dogs immediately if	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Walkers / SM	Prior to the walk and on the day

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		they stray onto fields. Do not let dogs eat crops			
Livestock, Game birds and other wildlife	Dogs may run off and chase them	Keep dogs on leads around livestock at all times and if they 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 Bridleways and 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	None	SM	On the day
Arrival at walk	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 especially in Nettle and Pasture Dales	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners. Walkers to be able	Restate on the day as we approach- put dogs back on leads if they are off-lead	Dog Owners and SM	On the day

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		to take alternative road route to miss this section.	and keep under very close control. To walk in single file past any cows. Walkers given the option to take the road to avoid this section with cows.		
Livestock (sheep)	May come across livestock in Tun or Frenal Dales	Dogs kept on leads and under supervised control by owners	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
Ground Nesting Birds and other wildlife	Dogs may scare or injure birds and other wildlife in not keeping to the paths	Keep dogs under close control on the designated footpaths. If dogs are apt to run off and cannot be recalled easily then keep on leads during these sections of the walk.	Restate on the day as we approach these sections	Walkers and SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Dogs may run off if not kept under control	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
Millington Dale Road	When crossing road walkers and dogs may be in collision with vehicles	Keep dogs on leads and be cautious and mindful of road traffic	Restate on the day as we approach this section	Walkers and SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
York Lane	When crossing and using a road walkers and dogs may be in collision with vehicles	Keep dogs on leads and be cautious and mindful of road traffic	Restate on the day as we approach this section	Walkers and SM	Prior to the walk and on the day

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Footpath in Pasture Dale	Often slippery because of loose chalk stone – causing injury I fallen onto	Walk at a steady pace and always look where you are going	Restate on the day and walk carefully	Walkers and SM	On the day
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