

Walking the Wolds with Bill & Mrs M. / Wold Rangers Way Festival- 19 June 2024 – Huggate Heads – 9 miles

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 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
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
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 brideways	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
Huggate / North Dalton Road running across Wold Rangers Way	Dogs may run out onto quiet 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

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Huggate / Warter Road at end of Wold Rangers Way section	Dogs may run out onto quiet 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
Walk along road in Huggate / Water Road	Potential of cars and other traffic and dogs may hit / be hit by cars	Keep dogs on leads and to the footpaths if required	Advise on the day	Dog Owners and SM	On the day
Dogs in gardens in houses in Huggate	Dogs might be scared or surprised	Keep dogs on leads	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Farm traffic on Northfield Farm Track	Potential of cars and other traffic and dogs may hit / be hit by cars	Keep dogs on leads when required	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Slippery footpaths into Cow Dale due to rain	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	Walkers and SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Slippery along top of Horse Dale (for those taking the shorter route)	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	Dog Owners and SM	Prior to the walk and on the day
Livestock in Cow Dale, Oxlands Dale and Shortlands Dale	Livestock worried (sheep most probable)	Pre-checked Dale and sheep not in evidence (11/6/24) but may be moved	If on the day the sheep are in evidence dogs will be put on leads, kept under close control and the group will walk slowly in single file past them	Dog Owners and SM	Pre-check on test walk and on the day
Dogs may run up sides of the Dales	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

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Trapped fingers in gate latches	Trapped fingers	Walkers to read risk assessment and SM to unlatch gates	Reinforce messages on the day	Walkers and Owners	On the day
Road crossing at Foxcovert Farm could be busy	Collision with traffic	Advise on the day to be mindful of oncoming vehicles	Reinforce messages on the day	Walkers and Dog Owners	On the day
Farm traffic on Freshlands Farm Track	Potential of cars and other traffic and dogs may hit / be hit by cars	Keep dogs on leads when required	Owners to read risk assessment posted on WTW web site	Dog Owners	On the day
Walk along road back to Fieldhouse Farm	Potential of cars and other traffic and dogs may hit / be hit by cars	Keep dogs on leads and to the grass verges if required. Walk facing oncoming traffic	Advise on the day	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 slippery 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 – unless supplied by Wold Rangers Way team	None	SM	On the day