

## Find Yourself Be Yourself Grow Yourself

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## **Risk Assessment:**

Route 1 (R1): Meet at The Beulah Bistro, Tong Rd, Farnley, Leeds LS12 5EP Involves:

- Narrow path into woods
- Hills
- Down to the beck or up to the view

Route 2 (R2): Meet at Queens Park, Off Victoria Road Pudsey – Walk around the field Involves:

- Gentle walk
- No hills
- Possible activities on the field

Route 3 (R3): Meet at Woodhall Lake, off Woodhall Lane, (opposite the street Woodhall Croft)

Involves:

- Walk around a lake
- Through trees and wood to a field
- Fairley flat, can be very muddy in parts

The "Walker" is the Outdoor Therapy Client or Supervisee. Hazard/Event	Who might be harmed	How the risk is controlled
Inclines (R1)	All walkers, particularly those with heart conditions	<ul> <li>Warn in advance the level of walk</li> <li>Be aware of walkers needs</li> <li>Go at walkers pace</li> <li>Walker to say when rests are needed</li> </ul>
Stiles (R1)	All walkers, particularly those with balance difficulties/mobility issues	<ul> <li>Give assistance where necessary</li> </ul>

Watercourses/River Banks, Lake (R1,3)	All walkers	<ul> <li>Discuss route before hand</li> <li>Walker to stay away from edges with no barriers</li> </ul>
Farm Animals	All walkers	<ul> <li>Do not disturb animals</li> <li>Walk past calmly</li> <li>Do not feed animals</li> <li>In Contracting: Discuss if walker has any fears re animals</li> </ul>
Dogs mess	All walkers	<ul> <li>Warn as necessary on route</li> </ul>
Dogs	All, especially those fearful of dogs	<ul> <li>In contracting: Walker to inform Nicola if they are fearful of dogs and discuss a strategy</li> </ul>
Overhanging Branches	All Walkers	• Warn on route & keep alert
Weather	All walkers	<ul> <li>In contracting: Walker agrees to wear weather appropriate clothes</li> <li>In contracting: walker agrees to wear sunscreen and sun hat in hot weather, waterproofs in wet weather</li> <li>Be aware of places to shelter</li> </ul>
Traffic & Roads , particularly R1	All walkers	<ul> <li>Warn walker in advance</li> </ul>

		<ul> <li>Cross at safe places</li> <li>Stay together</li> <li>Look left and right before crossing</li> </ul>
Other members of the public	All walkers	<ul><li>Keep together</li><li>Be considerate of others</li></ul>