B and S Generic Risk-Benefit Assessment 004A for Castle Visit

This generic risk assessment is designed to prime consideration of an event-specific Risk-Benefit Assessment carried out by the Visit Leader and their Assistant Leaders and sample monitored by their EVC. See exemplar 004B.

BENEFITS & PRIORITISED LEARNING OUTCOMES: See event-specific RBA

Significant Hazards and Associated Risk: Those hazards which may result in serious harm or affect several people	Control Measures: Controls, including relevant sources of guidance
Inappropriate leadership	Activity management takes account of group characteristics. Leaders trained, competent and experienced with clearly defined roles and responsibilities for all staff. Leaders familiar with employer interpretation of OEAP National Guidance and Establishment policy/systems Preliminary visit strongly recommended.
Hazards specific to castles e.g. spiral staircases, low doorways, open embrasures etc.	All Leaders familiar with guidance offered by castle site management.
Transport to and from venue	Use reputable coach company / minibuses in accordance with employer and national guidance
Car Park and Road Traffic Issues	Hazards known and addressed in pre-planning, including allocation of staff management and briefing of pupils.
Individuals lost or separated	Work in defined groups at all times. Defined working area. Designate meeting points.
Emergencies	Designated Emergency Contacts in place. All staff trained on establishment visit emergency procedures and protocols Staffing allocation takes account of medical and behavioural conditions.
Incidents involving members of public	Appropriate briefing of staff on codes of behaviour.
Weather extremes	Protective clothing according to the time of year and weather forecast