

## **RISK ASSESSMENT for School Dog** **September 2018**

As a general point, the dog will be microchipped.

Hazard	Potential risk	Hazard Rating (1 -5 )	Likelihood Rating (1-5)	Risk Rating Low/Medium /High	Proposed workplace precautions	Review date
Dog hair triggering allergies	Children/Staff/Parents/Carers/Visitors having allergic reaction to dog	3	3	Medium	<p>School records will show students with existing allergies and parents/carers asked to inform school of pet allergy updates prior to dog arriving in school.</p> <p>School community will be informed of the arrival of the dog.</p> <p>List of students/staff not to come into contact with dog will be held in school office and RAIS.</p> <p>Interaction with dog will be on voluntary basis and dog will be kept either in Headteacher office or RAIS.</p> <p>All visitors will be advised that the dog is on site.</p>	
Injury from being with dog	<p>Dog bite or scratch. Small child knocked over by dog as he grows</p> <p>Dog becomes anxious in school</p>	4	2	Medium	<p>Dog breed (Golden Retriever) chosen due to good temperament and ease of training.</p> <p>Dog will always be in care of responsible adult and never allowed to roam the school.</p> <p>Dog will be harnessed at all times when out of Headteacher Office or Pen.</p> <p>Dog will be trained via registered dog trainer and not introduced to school until ready. Dog will undergo further training (age</p>	

					<p>appropriate) as a Therapy Dog (or similar)</p> <p>Students will be taught the rules of engaging with the dog and what not to do. Posters will be displayed around school to remind students.</p> <p>Dog will be groomed (including nails) in line with expectations</p>	
Dog passes on germs/disease to humans	Dog faeces on field or school site Transmission of Fleas or infections via Worms or other disease	2	1	Low	<p>Dog will be trained regarding toilet space and clearly marked area will be used that is away from student use. Member of staff will always clear up any faeces and dispose of in safe manner.</p> <p>Dog will be vaccinated/treated in line with vet guidelines.</p> <p>Dog will not be taken into Dining Room or classrooms with Food preparation.</p> <p>If dog is sick, he will not come into school. Students taught about hygiene following interaction with dog (wash hands etc...)</p> <p>Students taught to wash hands following contact with dog.</p>	
Dog phobia	Distress caused through close proximity to dog	2	1	Low	<p>Visitors aware of school dog and dog will be secure.</p> <p>Notice signs in school entrance introducing the dog and asking that office are told of any phobia</p> <p>See above for supervision/training etc...</p>	
Accident as dog loose from pen/lead	Harm caused to dog or vehicular incident with dog running into car park/road	3	2	Low	<p>Dog pen is secure and large enough to be happy/safe.</p> <p>High quality lead and equipment purchased.</p>	

					<p>Dog walking takes place behind school fence and dog never off lead</p> <p>Dog fitted with collar that includes contact details of school</p> <p>Emergency procedures/contact list:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Headteacher</li> <li>2. RAIS Manager</li> <li>3. Reception</li> </ol>	
Financial cost of upkeep of dog	<p>Negative impact on school funds of dog being in school.</p> <p>Claim made against school regarding behaviour/conduct of dog</p>	1	1	Low	<p>Private insurance taken out by Headteacher including adequate cover.</p> <p>Food purchased by Headteacher and brought to school</p> <p>Additional school based resources purchased by school up front (February 2018) for bowl, pen etc...</p> <p>Dene Magna School to join The Dogs Trust to add Third Party Insurance Cover specific to School</p>	