Risk Assessment	Grass Sledges	Date of risk assessment	07/04/2026	Name of who undertook this risk assessment	Michael Holroyd	Date for review	06/04/2027

Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	Severity	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Minimum Age	All	High	• All participants to be of the minimum age as per Spen Valley District Trustee Board authorisation **(4 years+)**	
General	All	High	• All activity instructors to have completed the Fanwood site specific activity training/familiarisation prior to running this activity. • All activity instructors to sign the risk assessment log sheet and document, their permit number and expiry date prior to the session starting. • The run will not be used in snow or icy conditions. • Area to be check for debris or anything that could impede the safe running of the activity. • Maximum of 12 participants with a minimum of two leaders present. • One leader in charge to be located at the top of the run responsible for safety and management of the participants used the course. • A second leader to be located at the bottom of the slope to ensure that the run is cleared immediately and that the sledge is returned to the top of the slope OUTSIDE the main running area. • Activity to be halted immediately if any person or animal strays into the vicinity of the run.	

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			• Participants to be given clear instruction on safe use of the sledges and run, and that anybody failing to obey the instruction of the leaders will not be allowed any further rides. • Sledge to be checked before use for any defects and periodically during use. Any defective equipment to be removed immediately and reported.	
Equipment prior to use	All	Medium	• Equipment to be checked regularly and particularly before use. Special attention to be given to loose or slack tracks, worn or missing trends or damage to the body of the sledge or grab handles. • Tracks to be lubricated with bio-degradable oil	
Injury to participant(s) and spectators	All	High	• Participants to remain behind running area with their sledges and will not proceed to moved forward or onto the slope until instructed. • Riders to hold onto grab handles and keep their bodies within the confines of the sledge. Particular emphasis to be made regarding trapped finger in the track mechanism or sledges coming into contact. • There must be no attempt to hinder anybody on the run either by spectators or other users. • There will be no throwing of objects at anyone on the run.	
Storage of equipment	All	Low	• All sledges to be cleaned before being put back into storage. • Any defects or damage to sledges must be reported.	
Unauthorised use	All	Low	• Equipment to be kept in locked store.	
Covid	All	High	• Government and scouting guidelines which are in force at the time the activity is run must be followed.	