RISK ASSESSMENT FORM Please complete before your activity

TEMPLATE

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Danger from traffic		Members of the group – traffic accident		Keep to the pavement. Have one member looking out for traffic.
Tripping/slipping		Members of the group – cuts, bruises, broken bones		Wear suitable sturdy footwear
Cuts and scratches		Members of the group		Wear long sleeves and gloves. Keep bags away from body when carrying. Don't put hands under bushes; use a rake. Don't touch needles or broken glass.
Back injury from bending/lifting		Members of the group – muscle strain, slipped disk		Don't over fill sacks. Bend from the knees.
Injury from misuse of tools		Members of the group – knocks, cuts, bruises		Talk to participants first, especially children, about using equipment properly. Check for any defects before use.
Needle stick injury		Members of the group – puncture to skin from hypodermic syringe		Be aware that needles may be present. Do not pick up unless you've had training and correct equipment. Report location to 273 4567 or 101.

Repetitive strain		Members using litter pickers		Rotate jobs with someone else
Weil's disease. Rare infectious disease carried in rats' urine		Members of the group – flu- like illness		Avoid touching water which may have been exposed to rats. Wear gloves and wash hands.
Touching Giant Hogweed		Members of the group – severe skin reaction		Have a picture of it for easy identification. Check site beforehand. Wear gloves and long sleeves
Unforeseen hazards	If you encounter any risks	not covered here, add into the	space below and ring (011	