

Salisbury 6th Form College – College Dog Risk Assessment

Activity:	College Dog			Location(s):	Salisbury 6 th Form College
Assessor:	Kathryn Clarkson	Ref No.:	NA	Distribution:	Governors/Staff/ Website
Date:	25/1/2022	Proposed Review Date:	November 2025	Signed:	<i>K Clarkson</i>

Hazard	Risk	Individuals at risk	Likelihood	Risk Rating	Control Measures	Notes/Additional Control Measures	Residual Risk
Canine related diseases and parasites	Ill health	Students/ Staff	Low	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog to have necessary and current vaccinations and worming medication before coming into college. • Vaccinations and other medical treatment are the responsibility of the owner. 	Owner Documentation	Low
Dog excrement and urine	Ill-health, slips and falls	Students/ Staff/ Visitors	Med	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog to be wormed on a regular basis • Any excrement or urine will be cleaned up immediately and thoroughly disposed of responsibly and hygienically by the owner or adult with responsibility at the time of the incident. The immediate area will be sprayed with a preparatory disinfectant spray. • Hand-washing facilities are close to where the dog will be located 	Owner and carer to carry equipment.	Low
Hygiene/ Infection	Ill-health	Students/ Staff/ Visitors	Med	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate provision for hand-washing available • Following contact with the dog, young people will be advised not to touch any part of their face with their hands before hands are thoroughly washed. Antibacterial gel is available throughout the building. • All wounds on exposed skin should be suitably covered 		Low
Jumping up, bites, cuts and scratches	Ill-health	Students/ Staff/ Visitors to	Med	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be no unsupervised contact with young people • Dog will be closely supervised and kept under control • Students and staff will be made aware of the procedures of meeting and handling the dog: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Always remain calm around the dog - Don't make sudden movements 		Med

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Don't stare into a dog's eyes as this could be interpreted as a threat - Don't put your face near a dog - Always approach the dog standing up - Do not disturb a dog that is sleeping or eating - Don't eat close to the dog and never feed the dog your food or other food/treats without permission ● First aid kit held in the office, medical room, Science prep ● Supervising adults to ensure dogs are not abused or over petted to avoid any incidents. If dog appears anxious or over-stimulated, it will be removed to a different environment 		
Allergic reaction to dog	Ill-health	Students/ Staff/ Visitors	Med	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Parents and students will be informed via the emails, newsletters and the website that there will be a dog on site and our planned intentions. ● Parents and students will be asked to inform the college if the student has an allergy to dogs. Students known to be allergic to dogs will not be allowed access to the dog. ● Visitors to the college will be informed on arrival that there is a dog on the premises. ● All dog food will be kept with the owner and screened for any potential allergens. 	All allergy information will be collected and entered in the College MIS. A notice will be displayed at the entrance.	Medium
Dogs Movement around the college	Anxiety/Allergy risk/impact on learning	Students/ Staff	Med	Med	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dog will stay in a designated area (DSL Office) with its owner and identified staff most of the time. ● Dog will only be allowed in designated areas. 		Low
Noise, barking	Anxiety	Students with low coping skills	Low	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Dog chosen is sociable and will not be left with young people unsupervised. ● If problems occur, dog will be removed from the vicinity 	As dog grows we will assess how she interacts with the children.	Low
Fire drill and evacuation	Dog left in the building in an emergency	Dog and others who may return for the animal	Low	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Individuals supervising the dog/young person in charge will be responsible for safely leading the dog and others in their charge from the building to a place of safety. 	Training handler on procedure.	Low

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Liability Claim	Liability to College	Staff, Students and Visitors	Low	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> College dog is covered under the Public Liability and Employers' Liability provided by the RPA. Precautions and procedures set out in the risk assessment and dog policy must be followed. Owner should have the relevant dog insurance in place. 	Agreement with handler	Low	
	Further Action Required				Date Action Completed	Date RA Reviewed	Significant Changes Y/N	Shared with Staff Date or N/A
	Distribution of procedures and risk assessment Fern (college dog) will visit for short periods to get used to the environment – starting with a weekend orientation visit to the empty college. This will be built up over time to get the students and the dog used to interacting.				31/1/2022	31/10/2023	N	
	No changes.				n/a	14/11/2024	N	