Assessor : Christopher Lloyd Date : 10/12/2025 Activity **Abseiling** Location : Blackwell Court	**Persons at risk**			**Risk before control measure**	**Severity before control measure**	**Control Measure**	**Risk After Control Measure**
	Employee	Participant	Public				
Hazards Identified							
Slips, trips and falls	✓	✓	✓	Low	Low	Participants warned of the dangers of running around the abseil area and advised to wait on the bench.	Low
Unqualified staff	✓	✓		Low	High	Only qualified staff to run the abseil who have been signed off in accordance with the operating procedures.	Low
Falling objects	✓	✓	✓	Low	Low	Participants asked to remove objects from pockets and ensure shoes are fastened prior to abseil. Groups informed to sit on bench whilst they wait. All apparatus checked in line with inspections procedure.	Low
Incorrectly fitted harness / helmet		✓		Low	High	Instructors to check harnesses and helmets are fitted correctly prior to anyone leaving the ground and leaning off the tower.	Low
Unauthorised access			✓	Medium	High	Abseiling area is locked when unattended and tower secured at the end of each session.	Low
Faulty apparatus	✓	✓	✓	Low	High	Regular inspection by trained staff and a yearly inspection by an externally qualified inspector.	Low
Falling whilst rigging activity.	✓			Low	High	Staff must be attached to safety wire whilst rigging.	Low
PPE Failure	✓	✓		Low	Low	All PPE to be inspected prior to use and regularly in line with inspection procedure.	Low
Hair, clothing or jewellery trapped in equipment	✓	✓		Low	Low	Participants briefed to tie hair back and remove any objects / jewellery that could become trapped, and a procedure is in place for an entrapment.	Low
Uncontrolled fast descent	✓	✓		Medium	Medium	Controlled belaying technique from instructor.	Low
Participant falling whilst waiting at top of tower		✓		Medium	High	Participants informed to attach safety lines before they reach the top. They are then transferred to main safety rope by the instructor.	Low
Safeguarding	✓	✓		Low	Low	Instructors aware of safeguarding issues.	Low
Lightening	✓	✓	✓	Low	High	Activity to be stopped in the event of lightening.	Low
Darkness	✓	✓		Low	Medium	Lights are fitted in around the tower if working at night time.	Low
Staircase	✓	✓		Low	Low	Participants warned of the dangers of going up and down the stairs too fast. Advised to walk slowly and carefully on staircase.	Low

Signed Assessor C Lloyd Print Name Christopher Lloyd Date 10/12/2025

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