



New Leaf Triangle Students with challenging behaviour

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KEY

RISK MATRIX

Risk = Probability (Frequency) x Consequence (Severity)

CONSEQUENCE (Severity)

	Severe (3)	Moderate (2)	Minor (1)
Frequent (3)	9	6	3
Occasional (2)	6	4	2
Rare (1)	3	2	1

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Context

There are a number of generic risk assessments for the premises, fire, small animals, individual horses and different equipment. These apply to all students. This risk assessment highlights the particularly high risks and associated control measures related to students who exhibit challenging behaviour.

There are a number of students who attend from different providers and some are supported by their staff. New Leaf works together with other providers to ensure that the grouping of these students is planned in a way that minimises any risk of an incident occurring between students. New Leaf has two large outdoor sites and for most activities there is plenty of space for students to work independently and to have time to calm in a quiet area if they are anxious or upset.

Context

New Leaf Triangle is an outdoor learning centre for individuals with a range of disabilities, autism and mental health conditions. The main activities at New Leaf Triangle take place at the 2 main sites situated on Goadby Road, Chadwell, Melton Mowbray, LE14 4LP (site 1) and Eastwell Road Site 2). The sites are 2 and a half acres and 5 and a half acres of undulating ridge and furrow grassland with a 20 X 40m sand, fibre and rubber menage at site one and 20 X 40m sand and rubber ménage at site two.

Site 1 Buildings:

9M x 8M steel barn, with steel anti condensation roof, containing 4 internal stables with a 3M wide roller shutter door. Stable partitions are steel framed with wooden panelling and steel grills. The barn is lined with 1.2cm ply board to 2.5M height. Means of escape – 3M wide roller shutter door

Two 3.6M x 3.6 M wooden stables adjoined. Means of escape - standard stable doors in each

3M x 3M wooden tool/feed shed. Means of escape – standard full wooden door.

5M X 3M log cabin, consisting of a single room. Means of escape – 2 French style doors opening outwards 1.5M

6M X 3M log cabin consisting of a single room. Means of escape – 2 French style doors opening outwards 1.5M

Goat pen with 2 small goats sheds

3 small wooden chicken coops - located in the top paddock near small cabins.

1 larger wooden goose house, located next to the chicken coops.

There is a designated fenced off air rifle shooting area undercover shelter.

There is a garden plot, containing large wooden planters near the shooting shelter.

Two 2.5M x 3.5M log cabins in the small paddock next to the air rifle shooting area. Means of escape – 2 French style doors opening outwards 1.2M

1M x 2M metal tool shed located near the muck heap in the car park.

5M x 5M large wooden hay store located in the car park beside the muck heap. No doors, means of escape through the front opening.

Site 2 Buildings:

36 X 34ft wooden American style barn with 6 stables

5M X 5M log cabin consisting of a single room. Means of escape – 2 French style doors opening outwards 1.5M
 Two 3.6M x 3.6 M wooden stables adjoined. Means of escape - standard stable doors in each. Used as feed shed and workshop.
 2.5M X 2M Tool shed
 2.5M X 2M Toilet shed
 Approx 2.5m² field shelter next to toilet shed
 3 wooden shelters housing hay and menage equipment in car park / yard area

The perimeter fencing is mainly hawthorn and blackthorn hedge, square stock wire with some rails in places. Access is via a drive (approximately 80m long) which leads into the main car park and yard area. The surfaced (sand, fibre, rubber) Horseback Archery track runs down the middle of the two turnout fields and is lined with posts and electric tape. There is a small surfaced paddock home to two ponies at the end of it nearest the yard. Most fencing is post electric tape but is post and rail in places. Access to the, the right hand (larger) turnout field and the surfaced paddock for ponies is via a small metal gate to the site of the field shelter. Access to the left hand field is through two metal 5 bar gates directly from the car park / yard.

The hazards	Who might be harmed and how	What are we already doing	Level of risk	What further action is necessary?	Action by who	By When	Actions completed	New level of risk
Students who exhibit behaviour that challenges	Other students and staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All staff to read information about students they are working with, including referral forms, support plans, communication plans and behaviour risk assessments. All information supplied prior to the first session must be thoroughly read through by staff. All staff to read Positive Behaviour Support policy and adhere to the guidance within it. New Leaf staff to trained in Dynamis Positive handling if working with students with challenging behaviour At Least 2 staff who have been Dynamis Positive handling trained to be available on site when students 	4	<p>Assess each student on the day and throughout the activities and take action immediately to safeguard other students, if there is the likelihood of challenging behaviour occurring.</p> <p>If challenging behaviour becomes a likely possibility, move other students out of the area.</p> <p>Ensure tools or dangerous items are moved and where possible locked away in the shed.</p> <p>Encourage the student in crisis to calm in a quiet area, such as a seat outside or in the natural sensory room or second log cabin.</p>	Staff on every session	On going		

		<p>who exhibit challenging behaviour are present</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> De-escalation techniques to be used wherever possible and restraint should only be used as an absolute last resort and for the minimum time possible to keep everyone safe 						
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I have read and understand the New Leaf Triangle Risk Assessment above and agree to follow its guidelines

Staff Name	Signature	Date