

Lihou House General - Risk Assessment

What is the risk	Who Might be Harmed and How	Level of Risk	Control Measures Implemented	Remaining Risk After Controls
Level changes and uneven surfaces around the outside of the buildings	All visitors and residents including group supervisory staff	Medium	- Handrails provided where deemed appropriate - All residents shown around the property and areas of concern pointed out during the ?signing in? process - All residents advised to carry and use torches during dark hours	Low
Utilities area (power and water generation units)	All visitors and residents including group supervisory staff	High	- Buildings kept lock - Keys to the buildings kept in a safe place and inaccessible to residents unless basic instruction of the safe operation of the plant has been received - The exterior of the buildings clearly signed as to the inherent risk within i.e. Danger of Electric Shock etc - Residents asked to contact the warden should any problems arise so that they can be fixed/addressed by the warden	Low
House security/intruders	All visitors and residents including group supervisory staff	Medium	- The house is equipped with lockable doors using that are able to be worked without a key from the inside - Given the house is the only habitable building on the island the real risk is low but on spring tides the causeway does dry at night and also fishermen do stay over and fish at night. For this reason it is recommended that the house be locked when the residents are sleeping - The house is always sole occupancy so there will never be individuals that are not known to the occupants in residence	Very Low
Hot water	Residents including group supervisory staff	Medium	- All residents should be informed of the risk - The hot water is not heated to a very high temperature and this is controlled by a thermostat that is not accessible to residents - The showers have a ?normal maximum? which prevents accidental use of only hot water thus reducing the temperature to a safe working level	Low
Breakage of glass in windows and doors	All visitors and residents including group supervisory staff	Medium	- All glass next to fire escapes or that extends to the floor is toughened - All windows are double glazed and as such have a high strength	Low
Burns as a result of the use of the open fire	Residents including group supervisory staff	High	- The fire is to be used only under the direct supervision of a responsible adult - The fire should never be left unattended - Serious consideration should be made as to the appropriateness of an open fire when the group contains minors - A fireguard should be used at all times	Medium/Low
Burns/scalds and general injuries obtained from using the kitchen	Residents including group supervisory staff	High	- No cooking should be done by minors who are not directly supervised by a responsible adult who has direct responsibility for the minor/s in their charge - A fire blanket and fire extinguisher is provided in case of a fire - It is recommended that numbers be kept to a minimum in the kitchen and only those who are cooking/cleaning be allowed to enter the kitchen during periods of catering activity - It is also recommended that the door to the outside from the kitchen be kept locked to prevent general access in and out of the house through the kitchen - A first aid kit is provided for use by residents in the kitchen	Medium/Low

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Outbreak of a fire in the house	All visitors and residents including group supervisory staff	High	- A fire action plan is positioned in all rooms in a prominent place - All residents should be made aware of the procedures should a fire be discovered - The house has a compliant fire warning system that is regularly checked and service and is tested monthly - Fire extinguishers are provided on both levels of the house that are of an appropriate type as recommended by the Guernsey Fire and Rescue Service - A fire escape is provided as an alternative exit from the first floor and there are numerous exits on the ground floor - All lockable doors are provided with locking mechanisms designed to be operated from the inside without a key - A 'grab box' is provided outside of the house which contains sleeping bags, group shelters and a first aid kit as well as a phone to summon help	Low
Food Hygiene	Residents including group supervisory staff	Medium	- Residents will be catering for themselves and as such should implement their own suitable procedures - A fridge is provided as well as a small freezer - No food is left on the premises by other groups - All food should be brought by the group for the group so the age, origin and suitability of food stuffs is known to the group leader - It is recommended that all utensils used for cooking are washed prior to use to ensure that they are clean and free from bacteria that may have accumulated as a result of these items not being used regularly - A hand washing facility is provided within the kitchen for use by residents	Low

- The risk assessment is a general risk assessment for Lihou Island. It is not exhaustive and should be used in conjunction with a risk assessment written by the user group, making note of any special needs or issues that are specific to that group.
- For further information or to comment, please contact the warden.