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# Local Area Visit Policy October 2023

School name: St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School

School address: St. Nicolas Avenue, Cranleigh, Surrey, GU6 7AQ

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Educational Visit Coordinator (EVC): Mrs E Quinlan

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St Cuthbert Mayne Catholic Primary School is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy learning environment for children and this extends beyond the school facilities and grounds.

### General

Visits/activities within the 'Local Learning Area' that are part of the normal curriculum and take place during the normal school day follow the Operating Procedure below.

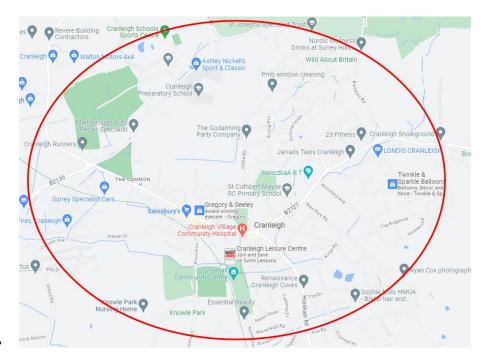
## These visits/activities:

- Must be recorded on EVOLVE via the 'Local Area Visit' module.
- Do not require parental consent, however, there may be situations where you would like parents to be informed in advance via ScoPay.
- Do not normally need additional risk assessments / notes (other than following the Operating Procedure below).

### **Boundaries**

The boundaries of the Local Learning Area are shown on the map below. This area includes, but is not limited to, the following frequently used venues:

- Cranleigh leisure centre
- Cranleigh arts centre
- Cranleigh Prep school
- Glebelands
- Jesus Christ Redeemer of Mankind Catholic Church
- St Nicolas Church & Presbytery
- Park Mead Primary School
- Cranleigh C of E Primary School
- St Joseph's Specialist School



# The 'No-go' areas within the Boundaries are:

Astra House Business Centre Area

# **Operating Procedure for Local Learning Area**

Significant issues/hazards

The following are potentially significant issues/hazards within our Local Learning Area:

- a. Road traffic
- b. Other people
- c. Members of the public
- d. Animals
- e. Losing a pupil
- f. Uneven surfaces and slips, trips, and falls
- g. Weather conditions
- h. Activity specific issues when doing fieldwork (nettles, brambles, rubbish, etc)

i. Narrowed pavements

# Managing risk

Risks are managed by a combination of the following:

- a. The Head, Assistant Head or EVC must give verbal approval before a group leaves.
- b. The Head, Assistant Head or EVC will have their mobile phone available if required.
- c. Only staff judged competent to supervise groups in this environment are approved.
- d. The concept and Operating Procedure of the 'Local Learning Area' is explained to all new parents when their child joins the school, and a synopsis is in the School Prospectus.
- e. Staff are familiar with the area, including any 'no-go' areas, and have practiced appropriate group management techniques.
- f. Pupils have been trained and have practiced standard techniques for road crossings in a group.
- g. Where appropriate, pupils are fully briefed on what to do if they become separated from the group. (This needs a decision and will depend on the area you are in return to school, wait where they are, go to x and ask for help, etc).
- h. Pupils' clothing and footwear is checked for appropriateness prior to leaving school.
- i. Staff are aware of any relevant pupil medical information and ensure that any required medication is available.
- j. Staff will record the activity on EVOLVE (Local Area Visit module).
- k. A mobile is taken with each group and the office have a note of the number.
- I. The Head, Assistant Head or EVC numbers made available for group leaders.
- m. Appropriate personal protective equipment is taken when needed (e.g., gloves, facemasks bag for waste, tissues etc.).

# Important things to note in our local area:

- Procedure when crossing roads:
  - Children line up in rows of 6
  - Wait for silence
  - o Cross when children are quiet and there is no traffic
  - One member of staff to stand in the road while the children are crossing and follow the back of the group
- When walking to Cranleigh Arts or Leisure Centre, turn right out of school and walk through ally