



Hazard Information for teachers

Skara Brae

Skara Brae is situated 19 miles north-west of Kirkwall on the B9056. The site consists of the remains of a village dating back 5000 years, together with a replica house and visitor centre with exhibitions.

It is the responsibility of teachers and group leaders to complete a risk assessment prior to any site visit with a group. This is a requirement of most education authorities. The following information is intended as a preparatory tool and does not replace a teacher's or group leader's own risk assessment.

Please be aware that changes in weather may affect the risks inherent in an outdoor site. Pupils should dress for outdoors.

For more information about hazards at Skara Brae, or to arrange a free pre-visit, please contact the monument manager on **01856 841815**.



Potential hazards at Skara Brae

Pedestrian access to site

- Risk from other moving traffic in car park.
- Village is a five-minute walk from the visitor centre.

External Hazards

- Visitors view the village houses from roof height and look down into houses; caution is required as not all houses have barriers.
- Paths are uneven – trip risk.
- Village is close to the sea; please supervise pupils at all times.
- Sets of stairs on site; trip risk.

Internal Hazards

- Low passageways in replica house.
- Low lighting levels in replica house and in exhibition.