### Eden Camp Educational Groups COVID-19 Risk Assessment

#### EDEN CAMP MODERN HISTORY THEME MUSEUM, MALTON NORTH YORKSHIRE, YO17 6RT – 01653 697777

# This Risk Assessment has been specifically produced to cover the measures that we have put in place relating to the COVID 19 virus. It should be used in conjunction with our general Educational Group Visit Risk Assessment.

**Educational Group visit leader/co-ordinator :** Whilst we have made significant changes to our museum and endeavoured to minimise the likelihood of any visitor contracting or passing on the COVID-19 virus, the safety and welfare of students visiting Eden Camp as part of an educational visit ultimately lies with the Educational Group Organiser/Leader (EGO/L). To allow the EGO/L to plan their visit, so that they can produce their own Risk Assessment that takes into account their own pupils' specific needs and requirements, we do offer a free pre-visit to all EGO/Ls booking an educational visit. This can be arranged by contacting our Admin office on 01653 697777 or e-mailing admin@edencamp.co.uk

Movement around the Museum: There is a defined route around the museum and each exhibition hut utilises a one-way system. Extensive signage indicates and highlights the one-way system. Walkways have been marked with 'Kilroy' distancing reminders to ensure social distancing guidelines are adhered to.

**Pupil Numbers:** Eden Camp can comfortably accommodate up to 500 school children on a normal day of operation, but whilst COVID-19 restrictions are in place, we are limiting numbers by 50%, reducing our capacity on site to 250.

**Face Masks and Coverings:** While face masks/coverings are mandatory in museums, children under the age of 11 and children and adults with certain disabilities are exempt from the rule. However, dependant on your own school or education authority's policy, you may wish your pupils to wear face masks/coverings whilst inside our exhibition huts and other buildings. (Visitors are not required to wear masks in the outdoor areas of the museum).

Whilst we are encouraging school groups to visit in the morning, leaving afternoons free for general visitors to look round the museum, on some days we may have adult general visitors on site in the morning. Whilst it is compulsory for all able bodied adults to wear face masks/coverings within museum buildings, as children under the age of 11 do not have to wear masks, we ask EGO/Ls to emphasise to their staff/colleagues the importance of ensuring that their pupils behave considerately to other visitors, which includes preventing pupils from shouting or screaming whilst inside which has been identified as increasing the risk of transmission from aerosol and droplets.

Suitability: Eden Camp is considered suitable for visitors of all ages and abilities.

## Key to Assessment Table

Low = highly unlikely/ harm level low

## Medium = Unlikely/ harm level medium

High = likely/harm level high

1) Residual traces of virus being on site from before when lockdown was implemented.       Medium/High       Staff & Visitors: A deep clean of the entire site using approved cleaning agents was undertaken before we re-opened to the public on the 6 <sup>th</sup> July. We continue to undertake enhanced cleaning of our site, paying special attention to areas identified as being high contact: door handles and locks, counter tops and tables, keyboards, toilet seats and flushes, chairs and armrests, switches, water taps etc.	HAZARD	POTENTIAL RISK	CONTROL MEASURES	RE-ASSESSED RISK
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2) Virus being brought onto site	Medium/High	<ul> <li>Staff: We remind staff that if using public transport, they need to wear a face mask and social distance. We have also requested that staff do not travel to work in their uniform/work clothes if using public transport. We have also reminded staff that they should not be car sharing if not from the same household or support bubble.</li> <li>All Eden Camp (EC) staff have received a 'Back to Work' induction which highlights: <ul> <li>What the main symptoms of Covid-19 are.</li> <li>The need for them to stay away from work if they or anyone in their household or support bubble show symptoms of or are diagnosed as having COVID-19.</li> <li>The importance of using PPE and the correct way to wear and dispose of it.</li> <li>The importance of regular hand washing/sanitising. What social distancing means and how they will adhere to the current guidelines.</li> <li>The importance of ensuring their workstation or area is kept clean and is regularly sanitised.</li> <li>They know where the quarantine area is on site and how to summon a designated COVID-19 staff First Aider.</li> <li>Know what to do if a visitor informs them that they or another visitor is suspected of having COVID-19.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Low
		<ul> <li>We have emphasised to our staff that if they or anyone in their household or support bubble show signs of having contracted the virus, they should stay away from work.</li> <li>Visitors: We are using our social media platforms (Website, Facebook, Twitter etc) to emphasise to visitors that they should not visit if they or anyone in their household or support bubble are showing signs of COVID-19. We will direct them to https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/</li> <li>This message is also emphasised and re-iterated within the Terms and Conditions that each visitor will receive when purchasing admission tickets online.</li> <li>Our Admissions staff have been instructed to be extra vigilant at looking out for and identifying symptoms of COVID-19 when admitting visitors onto site.</li> </ul>	

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3) Reduce the risk of anyone who may come onto site with COVID-19 passing it on to anyone else.	RISK         Medium	<ul> <li>STAFF: EC Staff rotas have been adjusted to allow for social distancing and reduce the number of contacts made with essential or/and shared pieces of equipment.</li> <li>Arrival and departure times have also been staggered to avoid crowding into and out of the workplace.</li> <li>By adhering to social distancing guidelines: 1 metre + rules to be enforced.</li> <li>If staff must work together or alongside each other for more than 15 mins and cannot maintain a 2m distance they must wear PPE (masks and gloves). Staff have also been instructed that they should amend their body orientation so that they are not directly facing each other for prolonged periods, or if they need to pass by each other and are unable to maintain a 1 metre gap and are not wearing a face mask.</li> <li>Where equipment is shared, it is sanitised between uses or gloves will be worn and then discarded before other equipment is touched or handled.</li> <li>Staff have been provided with appropriate PPE (facemasks and gloves).</li> <li>Protective screens have been installed on all till and visitor information points. They will be cleaned 4 times a day.</li> <li>Doors and windows in work areas will be kept open to increase ventilation.</li> <li>Staff have been requested to keep talks and discussions with visitors to a minimum.</li> <li>Any member of staff reporting or showing COVID-19 symptoms will be sent home immediately. Any other member of staff who has been in close contact with the person for a prolonged period (more than 15 mins) will also be sent home (into quarantine) and their workstation will be thoroughly cleaned.</li> </ul>	

<b>VISITORS:</b> We have limited the number of visitors on site. Visitors are required to pre-book (groups) or purchase their admission tickets via our online ticketing system so that we can control daily numbers.	
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The following high touch/contact areas have been identified within the museum and have been either removed, isolated or barriered off. These exhibits and areas are:	
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Hut 6 – Live performances of the Eden Camp Puppet show have had to be suspended. The live show has been replaced by a video which plays the show on a continuous loop. Seating has been reduced in the Theatre to allow audience to social distance.
Hut 7 – Telephone box door has been sealed with hi viz hazard tape.
Hut 8 – Rat catchers 'hands on' display has been removed.
Swing doors into and out of munitions factory scene have been fastened open.
Hut 18 – This hut has been closed as newspapers identified as high contact surfaces.
Hut 21 – Swing doors fastened back.
Airfield locations push button display has been covered over.
Hut 22 - Arrows on floor indicating one-way system round to the left.
Hut 25 – Push buttons on World Map have been covered.
Hut 26 – Access to Rear Gunner display blocked. (which is a 'dead end' exhibit space.)
<b>Vehicle shed:</b> One-way system utilised – tape markers on floor showing which direction visitors should be walking in.
Hut 29 – Access to Holocaust display room blocked. (which is a 'dead end' exhibit space.) Swing doors into Chapel have been fastened back – both entry and exit.
Sentry boxes – remove helmets and rifles.
<b>Play areas</b> - Hand sanitising unit has been installed at entrance to play areas with signage emphasising all users should wash/sanitise their hands after use and avoid touching their face. Children should be supervised carefully to maintain good hygiene.
<b>KEEP OFF</b> signs on all vehicles and equipment.
<b>Toilet Block</b> – Hut 14. Toilet and wash facilities will be cleaned, disinfecting and sanitizing every hour.

Cleaning will concentrate on high contact points – doors, toilet door locks, toilet seats and flushes, taps etc. Hand sanitisers have been installed at entrances to toilets. <b>First Aid Room</b> . – Only 'essential' First Aid will be offered to visitors. Our First Aid room and associated equipment can be made available to the First Aider in your group. Anyone requiring urgent medical need will be offered an ambulance if required and/or directed to Malton Urgent Care Centre The postcode for which is YO17 7NG. <b>Mess Huts</b> Mess huts will be allocated for the eating of packed lunches. The capacity of each Mess hut has been reduced by 50% to allow for social distancing. Sanitising materials will be supplied in each Mess hut and EC staff will be on hand to sanitise tables and chairs after each Mess hut has been used. School groups will be allocated sufficient Mess huts to accommodate their party. Each allocated session will be 30 minutes. <b>It is important that groups stick to the allocated time,</b> arriving and vacating at the times instructed so that EC staff can ready the huts for the next group(s)	
<ul> <li>Additional hand sanitising stations (with appropriate signage) are located:</li> <li>1. Entrance door to Hut 1</li> <li>2. Entrance door to Gift Shop</li> <li>3. Entrance to Café Servery</li> <li>4. Exit door in Café</li> <li>5. Adjacent to Ice Cream Kiosk</li> <li>6. Entrance door to Male Toilets</li> <li>7. Entrance to Female Toilets</li> <li>8. Entrance to play areas</li> </ul>	