

Hazard Planning Sheet

It is the responsibility of visiting groups to carry out their own risk assessment. Rosslyn Chapel can offer information to assist you in carrying out a risk assessment. We also offer free entry to group leaders who would like to carry out a site visit prior to bringing their group. The following notes are intended to assist you with hazard planning:

Car Park Area

Groups will generally arrive by coach or minibus, in the overflow car park. This involves crossing Chapel Loan to reach the Chapel entrance. This is a through route, and care should be taken when crossing.

Chapel Loan

Some groups like to take a walk into the village as part of their visit. Care should be taken as there is no footpath. Groups should walk no more than two abreast and face oncoming traffic. The Loan is not busy, but at peak season it can be very busy with camper vans and cars driven by non-British drivers.

Visitor Centre

The visitor centre can get very busy at times. Children should be supervised in the shop and visitor centre areas. There are automatic glass doors throughout, and care should be taken when approaching these. Some doors are one-way, so look out for no entry signs.

Chapel Grounds

The chapel grounds have a combination of path, gravel and grassed areas. Care should be taken in the gravel areas, particularly.

Inside the Chapel

Floors can be uneven in places, though the flagstones have been repaired and relayed. The aisles are narrow and can be crowded at peak times. There are steep stairs down to the crypt, which is not accessible for those in wheelchairs or people with mobility problems.

William the Cat

William the Cat spends most of the day sleeping inside the Chapel; sometimes he is in the grounds or in the Visitor Centre. If children have severe cat allergies they should avoid interacting with him or sitting on the pews next to him.