NORFOLK WHERRY TRUST

COX'S BOATYARD ACTIVITIES RISK ASSESSMENT

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This risk assessment addresses issues unique to the boat being in the Cox's yard. All operations there should also follow the standard working practices for volunteers that normally work on Albion at base or crew on her.

This risk assessment applies to all volunteers, tradesmen and permitted visitors on site and those involved in slipping.

If anyone has a safety concern, they should stop immediately, make safe and contact the site operators, or the Chairman of the trust as appropriate.

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Hazard	Who	Controls
1. Awareness		
We need to ensure everyone on site is aware of the risks and our procedure to address them.	All	All personnel will undergo a briefing when arriving at the site. This will cover this risk assessment, and items specific to the work being carried out. Additionally, it will cover any items requested by the operator.
We need to ensure everyone on site can find out about the	All	All volunteers will be given a copy of the risk assessment prior to entering the site

chemicals held and used on site		for the first time. This risk assessment will be on the crew section of the website. The Safety Data Sheet for all chemicals will be held in the SDS file that will be kept in the cuddy.
2. Site		
We do not have exclusive access to the site.	All	Keep to area around Albion. Do not wander.
Work could be ongoing by the travel hoist, which could generate its own hazards.	All	Do not approach the travel hoist or other boat movements.
3. Access to Boat		
A ladder will be used to access the hold. This must be tied tight before it is used.	All	Check security of ladder before using. Do not use any other ladders or holes for access. Minimise number of times using the ladder. Essential personnel only.
Do not work at deck level or above from the boat. Do not walk around deck. When fitting last hatch, climb over hatches to reach ladder.	All	There is no working at height without scaffolding. The boat is on the hard for hull work only, not the decks.

Do not go up ladder if ice is on deck or on the site in case you slip.	All	Put down sand or salt mixture on all areas to be walked upon.
4. Working in Hull		
Slip or trip risk inside due to nature of hull shape.	All	Pay attention and move carefully. Particular care when lining is out and after preservatives have been applied. It is different and more slippery than when ceiling is in.
Danger of striking head.	All	
Procedures in use of tools are the same as at base. Particular care should be taken of dust and chemical evaporation if working in enclosed spaces.	Volunteers	Think twice about dust extraction and ventilation if environment different from at base. Follow best practice.
Manual handling	All	Take care if you need to lift heavy or awkward loads. Use best practice.
Protection from chemicals used.	Volunteers	Follow best practice. All volunteers will wear, at least, the necessary safety gear for the task they are undertaking.

Risk to volunteers working alone Tradesmen will have their own procedures. Volunteers are not to interfere with their way of working.	Volunteers Trades	At least two volunteers on site at any one time or one worker for Cox's actually working on Albion at the same t8me as one volunteer.
5. Working outside hull		
Hot bitumen will cause significant damage if it lands on bare skin.	Volunteers	Only use hot air guns not naked flame. Cover all skin with appropriate protection and wear eye protection.
No one must distract, impede or work close to anyone working with hot bitumen. This will minimise the risk of material being spilled, blown or dropped on self or another.	Volunteers	Volunteers should not be working nearby when hot tar work is ongoing.
NWT staging to be used for external access to hull above waterline. Cox's	Volunteers	

staging not to to be used or moved. Working at height.	All	Volunteers should only use our staging.
Extension cables	All	Ensure direct a run as possible. Use RCD protection if not already on supply.
There are risks of tripping over any tarpaulins used to protect the boat from the weather.	All	Look carefully, particularly if windy. Also be aware of ropes holding the tarpaulins in place.
Risk of lack of ventilation when working under tarpaulin.	All	Treat working under a tarpaulin as working in an enclosed space. Use best practice.
6. Hazardous Chemicals		
Only chemicals that have been approved by NWT can be used. These have SDS logged for them in the cuddy.	Volunteers	

Where possible any flammable chemicals should be stored away from the boat.	All	
It is possible that there are lead based paints in early coats of paint (long since covered up).	All	Extra care to be taken if removing paint that might be very old. Use best practice if found.
7. Direction		
As we are on the operator's site we recognise that we will need to comply with any safety directions that have in place over and above those stated.	All	
8. Lifting and shoring		
No volunteers should take part in lifting or shoring process.		
Volunteers should not remove the shores.		

9. Toilet and washing facilities	All	To side of lifting bay. Door unlocked. First aid, at office.