Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse Road Crossing Briefing notes for Teachers

Many groups who visit Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse enjoy both the Museum and the Farm. The two parts of the museum are separated by a road. These notes offer advice about crossing the road in safety when museum staff are not present. They are intended to complement and not replace your school's existing procedures.

Do not cross in one large group.

If your group is visiting on a day event you will already be divided into smaller groups – cross the road in these groups.

If your group is self-led and your group consists of more than 25 children divide into two or more smaller groups and ensure that every group leader knows which children they are responsible for.

Approach the road in an ordered line.

Group the children in pairs. Ensure that two members of staff are at the front of the line and one at the back of the line.

Approaching the road

• Going from the **Museum** to the **Farm**

Stop the group at the **start** of the **metal fence**.

Brief the group to wait until they are called. Tell them that when you call them they should walk slowly to the road side and stop. When they are told to cross they must walk sensibly across the road, listening for instructions as they do so. When they have crossed the road they must keep walking under the sign to the farm and keep on going until they reach the small stamper trail box on the right of the path.

Crossing the Road

When it is safe to do so the Lead teacher should walk into the middle of the road and check for vehicles. If the road is clear ask the group (with a member of staff leading) to come to the road-side and stop. When it is safe to do so ask the group to cross, ensuring that a member of staff stands on each side of the group as it crosses.

• Going from the **Farm** to the **Museum**

Stop the group behind the **archway Farm sign** and follow briefing and crossing instructions as above.