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**LANCASHIRE POLICY AND GUIDELINES ON EDUCATIONAL/ OFF SITE VISITS  
FOR SCHOOLS AND THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICE**

**PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT OF EDUCATIONAL VISITS**

**Visit to: The Venture Centre, Lewaigue Farm, Maughold Isle of Man**

**Date: 4 June 2013**

Dear Simon and Mike

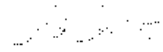
You will be aware that in the Lancashire Educational Visits Policy under Section 3.1.8 'The Responsibilities of the Local Authority' it states that the Authority would monitor Type A and B Educational Visits on a sample basis. This is with a view to sharing good practice and ensuring that our own procedures are effective

As a member of the Professional Support team, I undertook a visit with a number of Lancashire Schools. I would like to thank you for your support and co-operation throughout the visit and for making me feel welcome.

From the groups I observed on site I found all the instructors to be excellent in terms of knowledge and delivery. There was consistency across the staff, all were calm and responsive to the young people, whilst still maintaining a professional relationship with them. There was effective and on-going collaboration with teaching staff to ensure there were smooth transition between the activities and the programme kept to time. Night activities generally involved coastal walks after tea, and school staff were assisted well into the evening with their care for the young

people. I found the site to be well maintained and all facilities were clean. There is a clear ethos about challenge and adventure and a keenness for the school staff and students to obtain maximum benefit from their time away on the Isle of Man.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nicky Scott', written in a cursive style.

Nicky Scott  
Educational Visits Team