Risk assessment

Name of activity, event, and location	BEAST Event Risk Assessment	Date of risk assessment	15/09/2026	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Joseph Bingle
		Date of next review	Spring 2027		

What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Slips, trips and falls	All	• All Leaders are in charge of their own camping area. Each group will have a Leader who understands tent layout and will ensure tents are either well spread to allow access, or tight together to ensure no access, in between. The BEAST team will encourage good placement of tents. • Leaders are expected to brief their own group on safety. • Ensure everyone is aware of the terrain and the risks, out of bounds areas clearly marked on site map and where possible fenced off. • Encourage study footwear • Leaders to remind participants of guy lines and safe manoeuvring between tents. • Space will be left for a walkway/ fire break • Cables will be located in hedgerows or where required use cable covers.	
Vehicles moving around site	All	• Vehicle use on site will be heavily restricted. Only Logistics (moving kit), First Aid, contractors, Helpers(if necessary) and Emergency Services will be allowed to drive on site. • Depending on ground conditions, it may be necessary to restrict all vehicle movement. • Arrival/departure times planned; vehicles limited to essential access only; speed restricted to walking pace; designated parking area away from camping area.	

		• Parents/visitors briefed in advance about drop-off/pick-up point agreed • Vehicle access is to the Camp Car park only. • If vehicles required on site, to be marshalled by event staff wearing hi-vis clothing • 5mph speed limit on site.	
Critical incident requiring evacuation	All	• Leaders & Participants to be advised of evacuation and meeting locations in briefings • Should site need to be evacuated, those on site will be moved to the Car Parking field, whilst the road to the north of site is marshalled. • Appropriate Emergency Services will be contacted as required.	
Hygiene	All	• Site includes fixed toilet, shower and washing facilities. Participants to be advised to make use of these as needed. • A clean water (as provided by commercial site) is provided for use for drinking and cleaning.	
Fire	All	• Groups to camp safely ensuring fire breaks periodically. Cooking areas separated from tents. • Designated fire circle; seating arranged at safe distance; water buckets on hand; Safety briefing given; • Fire built on stable raised platform (metal tray/bricks); inspected before use; dismantled after use; ash disposed of safely • No fires to be allowed in or near sleeping tents. • Open fires 20ft from any tent • Evacuation plan to be shared with Leaders / Participants on site.	
Injury during activity	All	• All Activities will be conducted following the rules set out in POR. Each activity will have it's own detailed risk assessment and be run by Leaders who have been briefed on the risks. Safety briefing;	

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		• Permitted activities to have Leaders with suitable permits / qualifications	
Accident or injury due to environmental hazards	All	• Site walked through before use; weather forecast checked and if needed programme adapted; boundaries explained; Leaders to be first aid trained and complete own first aid – ScoutMed will be on site to assist with all medical matters. • Event Defib to be in central location (admin tent) • If activity area becomes wet/ slippery or is steep – activity briefing will cover safety • Out of bounds areas to be clearly signposted and Participants / Leaders informed in briefings.	
Adverse weather	Leaders, helpers and Explorers	• Kit list details appropriate kit including waterproofs, sturdy footwear. • Some activities may not run in adverse weather. Weather forecast monitored; shelter available; sunscreen and hats in summer • Ensure protective / Appropriate clothing is worn - kit list to include clothing appropriate for hot and cold/wet weather	
Catering issues (knives/burns)	Kitchen team	• Suitable adults with knowledge of mass catering; safe use of knives; ensure that produce is not cross-contaminated; awareness of heat emitting objects, awareness of where people are moving with hot things. • Burns First aid kit available; Fire blanket and extinguisher available; food stored in the correct manner; food served hot • Good food hygiene (hand wash) • Thorough washing of pots immediately after use. • Follow HQ guidance on food safety • Hot water urn labelled and put on stable ground. • Food storage and preparation to be checked and monitored. • Any persons displaying signs of food poisoning ARE NOT to handle	

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		or prepare food for others. And should be monitored for 'worsening'. • All containers closed when not in use. • All food to be raised off the floor. • Defrosting of foods to be on trays. • Raw meats below cooked meats. • All washing up to be in clean fresh water. • All utensils and preparation areas to be cleaned with clean hot water prior to use.	
Services	All people on site	• Services installed by competent people (upright and away from ignition sources; checked pipework is in date. • Risk of electric shock - plugs out of YP use (only for adults to touch) • Marquees put up by contractors; toilets put up and emptied by contractors	
Manual Handling	All people on site	• Deliver site kit as close to destination by vehicle, if possible – preferably before the YP arrive/ after they leave • Split loads down to smaller bits if possible. • Remind people how to lift and carry safely. • All lifting and dropping of heavy tents and other items to be supervised by adults • Stop lifting if pain or discomfort is experienced. • Participants will carry kit to camping area. Participants will be advised to make multiple trips if necessary.	
Child Protection	Participants	• All supervising adults to be aware of Child protection issues and be DBS checked as required. • No child to sleep in same tent as adult • Children to be discharged only upon sight of parent/guardian or if prearranged to another person	

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Alcohol	All	• The BEAST site is a dry site (no-alcohol to be consumed on site). • Under 18s mustn't consume alcohol under any circumstances. Those consuming will be sent home as soon as practicable. They will not be permitted to remain on site.	