Property Information

| Name of Property /Site: | Faurefold F | aurefold Holiday House and Campsite | | | | | |
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| Risk Assessment Completed by: Clare Coker Role: Chair of Faurefold Management Committee | | | | | | | |
| | Once all the actions are carried out can you eliminate or safely manage the risk of harm to keep girls and leaders safe whilst enjoying the property and carrying out activities commensurate with the aims of Girlguiding? | | | | | | |
| Has the risk assessment been sha | Has the risk assessment been shared with all relevant committee members and volunteers who will be responsible for ensuring safe practice? | | | | | | |
| Risk Assessment due for review: July 2024 | | | | | | | |

Risk Matrix

| | Slight Harm (L) | Harmful (M) | Extremely | |
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| <u>Severity</u> | superficial injuries, minor | Minor fractures, ill health | Harmful (H) | |
| | cuts and bruises | leading to minor, temporary disability | Multiple injuries, major fractures, disability or | |
| <u>Likelihood</u> | | | fatality | |
| Unlikely (L) | Low Risk | Low Risk | Medium Risk | |
| (rarely happens) | LOW RISK | LOW RISK | Wediaiii Kisk | |
| Likely (M) | Low Risk | Medium Risk | High Risk | |
| (often happens) | LOW KISK | Mediuiii kisk | nigii kisk | |
| Very Likely (H) | Medium Risk | High Dick | High Dick | |
| (nearly always happens) | wedidin RISK | High Risk | High Risk | |

NB: Box borders in the table below show overall risk level for the risk element

It is the responsibility of leaders to assess the risks of their planned activities on the site and to make provision to minimize any risks. The following information is intended to help and does not replace a leader's own risk assessment. Users should exercise caution at all times. Girlguiding hirers should report accidents in the usual way.

We take your safety on site very seriously, please report anything you observe that you consider to be a risk and any incidents or accidents via our online form

REPORT-A-PROBLEM

| Hazards | Impact | What are you already doing? | | | Are further controls necessary? |
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| What could | Who or what is | How have you reduced the risk already? | Likelihood | Severity | What else needs to happen to reduce the |
| | | | (L/M/H) | (L/M/H) | (Visitor Responsibilities) |
| | • | , , , , , | Likelihood (L/M/H) | Severity (L/M/H) High Severity | What else needs to happen to reduce the risk to an acceptable level? (Visitor Responsibilities) Visitors: 1) Leaders to consider number of cars arriving and departing and encourage lift sharing where appropriate. 2) Leaders to consider number of cars arriving and departing and implications of sharing site with other groups 3) Cars are to be parked in the car park only and girls discouraged from walking unnecessarily in this area 4) Once the event is underway close the gate to deter girls from entering the lane and cars from entering the site 5) A rope and sign is available to be |
| | | 6) Reverse Parking recommended, particularly in the parking spaces adjacent to the house. 7) Access to the nature trail is best from between the sycamore and the assembly point, not through the carpark | | | hung across to the driveway at drop- off and pick up times to prevent parental access near the house, as required |

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| Loading/ Unloading: Vehicles on the grass | Site Users: Vehicular accidents involving people or other vehicles | 1) We do not encourage vehicle access onto the campsite, especially when children are on site. 2) Vehicle access is permitted for loading or unloading only 3) Access is not permitted past the flagpole | Low Likelihood | High Severity | Visitors: 1) Drivers should not exceed 5mph 2) Keep to the right 3) Hazard warning lights should be on 4) An observer to be positioned to ensure the area remains clear of people |
| Faurefold Tents and Equipment | Site Users: Strain from lifting, trips from guys, injuries from mallets Damaged or unsafe equipment due to lack of proper strike and storage procedures at end of camp | 1) Tents are inspected bi-annually 2) Storage shed is maintained and organised to make access as easy as possible and reduce risk of strain. NB: If tents are put away damp they may attract vermin and will become mouldy. This may affect the experience of the next user or yourself in the future! | Medium Likelihood | Low Severity | Visitors: 1) please treat the equipment as if it were your own and risk assess the lifting pitching, striking and storage of equipment appropriately 2) Please return equipment to the shed and store safely ensuring good access for future users 3) Please ensure any equipment is fully dry before putting away. If this is not possible please call us to discuss options. 4) Please report any signs of mice or faulty equipment using our online form |

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| Trolleys | Users: Injuries from falling off | 1) Trolleys are stored safely by the green shed 2) Visitors are informed that the trolleys are for the movement of bulky items or wood to the campsites. They should not be ridden on at any time. 3) All trolleys should be returned immediately after use and not left on the campsite whilst camp is underway. | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Visitors: Group leader to ensure that all site users know trolleys should not be ridden on |
| Woodpiles | Site Users: Slips/falls, sticks in eyes, rusty nails or screws causing lacerations | 1) Most wood at this site is from the site itself so there should not be any nails 2) The wood is stored by the campfire in a log store, which does not invite climbing 3) Some wood by the altar fire on the campsite is in a small pile that is kept covered and as neat as possible | Low Likelihood | Low Severity | Visitors: 1) Please take care when taking wood 2) Girls should be reminded not to climb on the woodpile, as it is not stable 3) Should a rusty nail puncture the skin a GP should be consulted as a tetanus shot may be recommended |

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| Permanent marquees that is erected for use of campers and session visitors | Site Users: Damage to the marquee or injury to person on site | Pegs may become loose/need adjusting over time - The pegs and canvas are checked regularly on the site safety walk-around If a heavy storm is expected additional lashings will be secured over the top of the marquee | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Visitors: Please check marquee moorings are secure at beginning of your visit and if it has been particularly windy during your stay. |
| Water Stand Pipes | Site Users: Water may become stagnant in the downpipes leading to illness | All water to the site is a mains fed supply, there are no water storage tanks on site. The water is run out at the start of the season and on monthly site inspections, but there may be significant interval between use | Low Likelihood | Low Severity | Visitors: Please run off 4 buckets of water to clear the pipes before first use (if using as drinking water). |
| Fire | Site Users: Burns to hands face body Loss of site and personal equipment | 1) Campsite Fire Assembly Point is the flagpole. This is separate from the House Muster point which is by the carpark, both are marked with a green muster point sign. 2) Water buckets are provided in the brown activity shed and the stripy camp shed and by the log store | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Visitors: 1) It is the responsibility of the group leader to have in place for each camp as suitable audible method of raising the alarm to aid evacuate in the event of a fire 2) A fire drill should be carried out with all users prior to the first night of the stay. |

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| Electrical portable devices brought in by site users | Site Users: Electrocution / risk of electrical fire / equipment damage Phone chargers are the most common cause of house fires | 1) Fire & Rescue have advised that portable charging devices or mobile phones pose a risk of fire when stored in clothing, bags or on beds. 2) Charging of an emergency contact mobile phone can be carried out in the Store Room or Leaders Lounge 3) Girlguiding Surrey East does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage caused to any electrical device brought onto or charged in the building. | Low Likelihood | High Severity | Visitors: 1) Store your devices where they can cool properly 2) Charging must not be done overnight 3) Ensure power sockets are not overloaded by using extension leads/cables 4) Visually check power cables prior to using any portable equipment. Equipment should only be used if the cables are intact. 5) Chargers should be supplied by the manufacturers of the device – cheap alternatives can be a significant fire hazard 6) For devices over 2 years old consider PAT testing before arrival, this can be requested at your local electrical shop or from an electrician. |

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| Outdoor Space in General | Site Users | Basic items are covered here, but separate risk assessments for outdoor activities and the woodland environment have been prepared | Medium Likelihood | Low Severity | Visitors: Our outdoor and woodland spaces are a natural environment home to many wild animals, plants and trees – please also consult the woodland and activity risk logs |
| Uneven grass surface | Site Users: Slips /Falls, most likely leading to sprains and bruises | Site walked regularly to identify significant problems and larger holes filled if necessary However, small holes and uneven surfaces are inevitable and cannot be completely mitigated | Low Likelihood | Low Severity | Visitors: 1) Please wear sensible shoes, with a suitable level of support 2) Check areas chosen for running games before starting |
| Rabbit Holes | Site Users: Slips /Falls, Sprained or broken limbs | Rabbits live in the bank alongside the camping levels. We attempt to fill the most hazardous holes, but it can be a moving target and could cause a nasty fall. | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Visitors: Consider marking off the burrows with a cone by day and placing a lantern at night, to ensure no one catches a foot in a hole, particularly if going to the toilets or sink in the dark. |
| Mice are plentiful in the woodland and may access the sheds | Droppings etc may cause illness | 1) Mouse activity in the sheds is monitored and holes identified and repaired if necessary 2) We cannot guarantee that the sheds are mouse free at all times | Low Likelihood | Low Risk | Visitors: Thoroughly wash any borrowed cooking utensils before use (this is also advisable due to spiders!) |

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| Falling branches from trees | Site users: Injuries to head limbs or tents | Monthly visual tree inspections are conducted by a qualified member of the management committee to monitor the onsite trees. Additional inspections are carried out post storms and remedial work undertake as necessary | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Visitors: 1) Do not pitch tents under large branches as they can unexpectedly drop, especially in the summer. 2) Site users are expected to take extra care during periods of extreme weather |
| | | | | | 3) Do not enter or be near edge of woodland in wind force 5 (19-24 MPH) or greater |
| Ticks | Site Users: Tick bites can result in Lyme's Disease | 1) Bracken on site has largely been cleared, but ticks may also be found on the campsite, as deer may pass through the site 2) Be Tick Aware link available on the website | Low Likelihood | High Severity | Visitors: 1) The site is not suitable for bare feet. 2) Know the symptoms of Lyme's Disease and pass on if necessary 3) Recommend tick checks are made at home after camp 4) Visitor First Aid kit should ideally contain something suitable for tick removal, these are generally available from your local vet. |

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| Poisoning / Allergic Reaction to Plants or Insects | Site Users: Discomfort / illness Potential severe anaphylactic reaction (e.g to bee stings) | Invasive / poisonous plant species are monitored regularly. Brambles and nettles common on some areas of the site Main known species is Ragwort which can cause skin irritation if handled. Ragwort is home to the Cinnabar moth, so it is controlled not entirely removed from the site. many fungi are also present, including on occasion toxic species such as fly agaric Any plant that poses a risk to site users is removed in an approved manner or will be clearly roped off to users during treatment for removal. Any area of the site where bees are nesting will be clearly identified. | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Visitors: 1) Known group member allergies should be assessed and considered to adjust the risk 2) Group leader is responsible for checking their activity area on arrival for flora/fauna that may pose a particular risk to their members, due to known allergies 3) Concerns should be reported to the Committee 4) Do not touch or eat unknown plants or fungi. |
| Oak Processionary moth | Site Users: Respiratory problems and rashes | OPM has been found on the site and there is an active spraying and removal program in place | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | The edge of the campsite contains a line of oaks – take extra care in late spring/early summer. refer additionally to woodland environment RA |

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| Rubbish | Site Users: Animals are likely to be attracted to rubbish left lying around, including vermin, which may spread disease to visitors and volunteers. If rubbish is not properly sorted it may not be collected with same impact | Commercial bins are provided at the bottom of the driveway (rubbish & recycling). Bins are clearly labelled, instructions are available in the house Site users should ensure bin bags are used for rubbish, recycling should be clean and loose. Secure bin sheds have been added to prevent animals from accessing the bins when not in use. Rubbish is collected mid-week | Low Likelihood | Low Severity | Visitors: 1) If using main bins, rubbish should be sorted into recyclable food and other. Recyclable rubbish should be loose in the bin not bagged. 2) If bins are full, hirers should make arrangements to take home. 3) Ensure that bagged rubbish is not left outside overnight (must be taken down to the bins) |
| Medical Waste | Site Users: Spread of Infection / Disease | There are no facilities on site for the disposal of medical waste; the group leader should take this off site for appropriate disposal. | Low Likelihood | Medium Severity | Group leader is responsible for disposing of medical waste appropriately off site. |

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| Security Breach: Unauthorised access and/or theft | Site Users: Loss of Personal Possessions; Physical / emotional harm to people | 1) There is a 6 ft chain link fence surrounding the property, which is regularly checked and maintained. 2) Gate is padlocked with secure chain. Code not passed to hirers 3) Committee members have Surrey East Coats which can be worn for identification purposes 4) Committee Members to notify the bookings secretary if visiting when the house is or likely to be occupied. | Low Likelihood | High Severity | Visitors: 1) Please close and lock doors when not on site and keep the gates closed. 2) Be aware that people can access the front and side doors to the house without being visible from the campsite or woodland areas. 3) If an unexpected person, who cannot identify themselves to your satisfaction, accesses the building/site whilst in use, please contact the police. 4) Committee members/key holders may need to access the site whilst in use. Where possible we will notify you in advance. The individual will introduce themselves to you. 5) Faurefold is not insured for personal possessions and accept no liability for loss of possessions during your visit. |
| Posting on Social Media | Site Users: Child protection risk | Social Media posts should only be made after the event has finished | Low Likelihood | High Severity | Leaders should follow Girlguiding guidelines for GDPR, publicity and use of social media |

Please also consult the Risk Assessments for:

- Woodland Environment
- Fire Safety

And as appropriate:

- Campfire
- Onsite Activities