Kent Estuary Youth Review date: April 2025

## KEY RISK ASSESSMENT FORM ACTIVITY: WATER FIGHT - Venue

## PLEASE ADD FURTHER INFORMATION/HAZARDS IF APPLICABLE

| Staff member responsible for risk assessment:    |                            |
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| Date of activity:                                |                            |
| Key: L = Likelihood 1 - 5 S = Severity 1 - 5 R = | Risk (L x S)               |
| Assessing Risk:                                  |                            |
| 1 - 4 acceptable 5 - 9 adequate 10 - 16 toler    | rable 17 – 25 unacceptable |
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| S<br>E<br>V<br>E<br>R | 4          | 8  | 12 | 16 | 20 |  |  |  |  |
|                       | 3          | 6  | 9  | 12 | 15 |  |  |  |  |
| T<br>Y                | 2          | 4  | 6  | 8  | 10 |  |  |  |  |
|                       | 1          | 2  | 3  | 4  | 5  |  |  |  |  |
| ·                     | LIKELIHOOD |    |    |    |    |  |  |  |  |

17-25 Unacceptable: Stop activity, make immediate improvements.

**10-16 Tolerable: Look to improve within specified timescale.** 

5-9 Adequate: Look to improve at next review.

1-4 Acceptable: No further action, but ensure controls are maintained.

| Assessment before action |   |   |   |   | Assessment after action |   |   |   |   |
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| Activity<br>Description  | Foreseeable Hazard  | Who might be harmed, and how?   | L | s | R                       | Control Measures  | L | s | R |
| All Activities           | Injury due to uneven<br>ground, hazards etc               | All participants Trips, slips falls, cuts, bruising, sprains                          | 2 | 4 | 8                       | Be aware of uneven ground and ensure young people are aware. Keep all areas clear and free of objects.  Ensure any spillages are cleared up immediately.  YP informed of expected appropriate behaviour, ensure appropriate staff supervision.                      | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Using Equipment          | Injury whilst using equipment                             | All participants Trips, slips falls, cuts, bruising, sprains                          | 3 | 4 | 12                      | YP advised before event to consider how shallow the water is when filling bailers.  Ensure edges on bailers are blunted Ensure young people listen to instructions.  Visually check equipment before use and do not use if not fit for purpose.                     | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| Outdoor activities       | Illness/injury caused<br>by extreme weather<br>conditions | All participants Hypothermia, frost bite, pneumonia, sunburn, wind burn, dehydration. | 2 | 4 | 8                       | Group Leader to ensure all group members have suitable clothing for the weather and that there is a first aid kit available with the relevant equipment for the activity. Take sufficient water and have regular breaks during activities depending on the weather. | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| All activities           | Illness/injury to staff<br>member                         | All participants Trips, slips falls, cuts, bruising, sprains                          | 2 | 4 | 8                       | End activity if ratios become unsafe. Replacement member of staff requested to attend as soon as possible to ensure ratios are kept at an acceptable level.   | 1 | 4 | 4 |
| All Activities           | Challenging Behaviour leading to hostile relationships    | All participants Cuts, bruises, breakages, head injuries, fatality.                   | 2 | 5 | 10                      | KEY is following the NSPCC recommends:<br>Ages 9 – 12: 1 adult to 8 children<br>Ages 13 – 18: 1 adult to 10 children  | 1 | 5 | 5 |

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|                          | with the potential to<br>turn violent.,<br>fighting/challenging<br>behaviour could cause<br>injury. |   |   |   |                         | (These ratios should increase if there is a young person in need of additional support and RA should be amended accordingly).  Staff and volunteers are to monitor situations and diffuse any challenging behaviour as soon as it arises.  Staff and volunteers to maintain their professionalism.  Code of conduct to be followed and staff ratios to be correct.  Young People reminded of the rules and behavioural expectations.  Parents/emergency services called to support where necessary |   |   |   |
| All Activities           | Risk from unknown adults  | All participants physical, emotional harm   | 4 | 5 | 20                      | Staff and volunteers are to monitor situations and defuse any challenging behaviour as soon as it arises.  Youth work staff to maintain supervision always to prevent 1:1 access to the young people.  Young people to informed to stay in main room or stay in pre organised groups to not be on their own with an adult. Staff and volunteers to maintain their professionalism.  Emergency services called if the need arises.  | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| All Activities           | Moving around in public areas - injury, possible Road Traffic Accident                              | All participants and members of the public Cuts, bruises, breakages, head injuries, fatality. | 2 | 5 | 10                      | Ensure safe adult to young people ratio Ensure a first aider is always present Use designated road crossing points where available, staff to create a safe crossing point where necessary. Young people reminded of appropriate behaviour when moving around near traffic.   | 1 | 5 | 5 |

## Additional preventative and protective measures:

Code of conduct agreed between all participants prior to residential including statement that alcohol/smoking is prohibited.

Emergency evacuation procedures should be discussed and understood on arrival at the venue.

This risk assessment has been shared and agreed by all participants.

## OTHER STAFF AND YOUNG PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THIS ACTIVITY

I have read and understood all the above information (sign & date)