Strategy & Evolution 2025 - Ents Tent Assessor: Tony Hanks Reviewer: C Tompkins 26.05.2025 Date: 19/6/25

Context: The Entertainment tent or 'Ents' is a 12 x 24m open Marquee. It is supplied by Alpha Hire an external company. It is open span, and blackout with fire regulations compliant black-out fabric. One ent of the Marquee is set up with a stage, AV equipment and a green room. The AV equipment and staging is provided by USS AV hire. Barrier fencing separates the crowd form the stage and the flooring is grass/ground. There is a single opening, large entrance and exit at the rear of the tent. There are additional entrances and exits around the stage.

General Safety Considerations and Briefings:

All adult helpers receive a helpers Briefing following registering on site from the Helper lead. In order to be an adult volunteer in scouting adults must be up to date with their Safety E-Learning. The safety team receive specific briefs or points to consider for the area they are marshalling form the safety team lead.

External Contractors are familiarised with dynamic hazards and challenges on arrival and also conduct their own risk assessments.

The Ents Tent sits within the Strategy and Evolution Event Management Plan. It describes the pyramid system of escalation of assistance for Participants and Leaders to deal with any incidents.

		Venue and Structural Safety			
Hazard	Who Might Be Harmed	Is the Risk Adequately Controlled, or is More Needed	Review and Revision		
"A hazard is something that may cause harm or damage. The risk is the harm that may occur from the hazard."	Young people, Leaders, Everyone etc.	Controls are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity	Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity. Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity. This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.		
Capacity Issues	Everyone	Safety Team members with be stationed at the entrance / exit point to the Venue. They will be able to monitor participants entering and exiting the tent to limit capacity. They will also be in a position to roam and monitor crowd density within the venue.			
Fire Exits and Routes	Everyone	There is one large entrance exit but several alternative exits that can be utilised to clear the Marquee. Fire Exits are signed within the Venue. It is also a fabric tented structure so in an emergency any of the side walls can be used as an emergency exit.			
Structural Integrity	Everyone	The Marquee is provided by Alpha Hire Marquees. They erect and secure the Marquee. No Alterations or adjustments are made after their final sign off / completion.			
Lighting	Everyone	Lighting, including emergency lighting that does not run off the main power source, are provided by USS. Safety Team carry battery operated torches in case of emergency.			
Trip, slips and falls	Everyone	The Ents Tent is ground level, there are no stairs or ramps. There is no risk of fall from height.			
Fire Safety					
Hazard	Who Might Be Harmed	Is the Risk Adequately Controlled, or is More Needed	Review and Revision		
Fire fighting equipment	Everyone	Appropriate Extinguishers are stationed at designated points within the Marquee and surround area. They are maintained and current.			
Flammable Materials	Everyone	Lining and other Tent Structural fabrics used in the Marquee are fire Regulations Compliant.			

Evacuation Plan	Everyone	In the event of the Marquee requiring Evacuation this will primarily be co-ordinated by the Safety Team utilising on stage Loud speaker / PA provisions. Alternatively, Loud hailers are accessible for use by the Safety Team. A back up is to utilise the Site's EMP PA system.	
		Electrical Equipment and Technical Area	
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Sound and Lighting Equipment	Participants	Any suspended lighting equipment with be secured using clamps and safety backup cables in the conventional manner. It will be out of reach to avoid contact with the participants. All electrical wiring is PAT tested and potential of electrical injury is minimised.	
Cables and Wiring	Everyone	Trip hazards such as wires and cabling will be minimised and staging Duct tape will be used where possible to bunch and secure cabling down to the stage.	
Stage	Everyone	Objects on stage will be minimised, Anyone using the stage will be made aware of hazards int he immediate vicinity. Down Lighting is provided onto the Stage. Stage Edges and steps will be marked with White Duct Tape in accordance with normal convention.	
Noise Exposure	Everyone	Sound levels are monitored by USS the AV providers. Safety team members and those working for prolonged periods in this area have the option to use Ear protection.	
		Behaviour, Violence and Welfare	
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Mood of Crowd	Participants	The Crowd at Scout Camp is jovial and positive. The Nature of the Acts and entertainment being provided in this marquee is positive and inclusive. Behaviour that promotes violence and aggression is not promoted. There are alternative spaces site for quiet and respite from the Ents tent. Safety Team are accessible for any conflict De-escalation.	
Alcohol and Substances	Participants	Alcohol and Drug use is explicitly banned on site. There is a zero tolerance for under 18s consuming alcohol.	
Dehydration (Water and Toilet Provisions)	Participants	Facilities including toilets and fresh drinking water are not situated within the tent but are available outside nearby. These are free and open access for all participants.	
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