



AFHC CP37 v4 – 3rd Party Facilities Risk Assessment and Control Measures

Organisation		Aldershot & Farnham Hockey Club		RA Ref. No.	AFHC CP37 v4	
Location(s) where this assessment applies			Heath End School AstroTurf Pitches			
Describe specific Place or Activity assessed			The primary location of Adult training and the 1st choice home pitch location for games NB- this is owned/maintained by Heath End School			
What is Risk	Who might be affected	Controls required	Additional Controls	Actioned By	When	Completed
Usage of 3 rd party facilities for provision of hockey matches, training & events	<p>AFHC Club Members</p> <p>Members of the public (spectators)</p> <p>Young persons</p> <p>People with disabilities</p>	See detailed list of controls in place within Additional Controls	<p>Security of Pitches</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The pitches are locked at the main entrance to the car park and the entrances to the pitches themselves. The keys are held with the caretaker who manages the pitch. The pitches are surrounded by 10ft metal fencing to reduce the risk of illegal entry to the pitch. <p>Electricity (contact with)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The floodlight controls for the pitch are set by the caretaker and are in a locked cabinet at the pitch. Only authorized persons have access to these controls. <p>Equipment (contact with)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only training aids will be used on the pitches in addition to hockey equipment i.e. sticks; cones; balls. These items are owned by individuals or borrowed from AFHC as required. All items are cleared from the pitches outside of match and training times. <p>Falling or flying objects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> During occupation of the pitches there is the risk of balls being lifted towards other players; officials or spectators. This is during use of the pitches only. The pitches have no overhead coverings and the floodlights and fencing surrounding the pitches are checked visually upon attendance to site and periodically as part of the caretaker's checks. <p>The is a net divide installed at the pitch able to separate pitch into half pitch</p> <p>Fire/hot materials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The pitches are a non-smoking area and signage is in place to highlight this protocol. All smoking is to be outside of the pitch areas. <p>Handling and lifting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the Match goals have fixed rollers for ease of movement. When moving these into place at the start of each game/training session they are lifted by a team of a minimum 2 adults. Other match goals do not have rollers, the goals need to be turned at the start of each game/training session for use by AFHC, these need to be lifted by a team of a minimum 2 adults taking a side each. 	<p>AFHC Committee</p> <p>Coach in charge of session</p> <p>All participants</p>	On-going	15 August 2021



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			<p>Sharp Materials/Objects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ It is the responsibility of each use of the pitches to ensure they clear up after their allocated time and thus remove any rubbish and other items which may cause harm. ▪ Coaches and umpires inspect the pitches for dangerous items prior to training/matches commencing <p>Slips/Trips</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The pitches are routinely replenished with sand by the caretaker for the site. This is to ensure the pitches remain in good condition and enable grip during use. ▪ The pitch has a small step onto the playing area which is surrounded by low level railings/fencing for support ▪ The site itself is all formed on sloped pathways for ease of access/egress to the site <p>Vehicles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The car park is immediately adjacent to the pitch and users have to walk through this area to gain entry to the pitch. The car park is clearly lit at night and designated walkways are available. <p>Violence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As with all public accessible venues there is the risk of violence from time to time. This risk is managed internally by creation and publication of AFHC codes of practice which all members are to abide by. ▪ Any violent persons- physically or otherwise will be asked to leave the pitch immediately. <p>Weather</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Heath End pitches are designed as 'all weather pitches'. However, during periods of extreme weather e.g. snow or the pitches are frozen, the pitches will not be used. ▪ If extreme weather caused the site to be closed on safety grounds the caretaker and school liaison team will make this decision and communicate accordingly. ▪ If the pitches are open it is down to the discretion of the coach as to whether they consider the pitches to be safe to use. Where there is a risk to our members or attendees to the pitches, training/games will be cancelled and rescheduled when 			



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			<p>conditions become safe again.</p> <p>Welfare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Toilet facilities are available adjacent to the pitch Lighting ▪ Floodlights to the approved hockey standard and are maintained by the caretaker- records of which are checked by the AFHC fixtures secretaries upon booking. <p>First Aid</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ At least one first aid appointed person per team will be on site for training/matched. Records of appointed first aiders are held with the AFHC Secretary. ▪ Each team has a minimum of one first aid kit which is fully stocked and must be taken to each game/training session. <p>Supervision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All training will be under the supervision of a qualified coach who is covered under the AFHC liability insurance. ▪ Any Under 18 members must have parental consent to attend adult training sessions/games. 			
Assessor Name & Signature			Chris Edwards			15 August 2021
AFHC Committee Member Name; Role & Signature (assessment accepted)			Chris Edwards – Club Chair			