

Scouts Parade - Risk assessment

<p>Hi Dean,</p> <p>Did you try do book them on a separate booking or on the existing one you have? If you don't book them at the same time then you have to create a new booking.</p> <p>Name of activity, event, and location</p>	<p>Wyre Forest District Scouts St George's Day Parade Out – New Road to Aggborough Stadium In – Aggborough Stadium to New Road, via Town Centre, Salute at the Town Hall.</p>	Date of risk assessment	17 th April 2026	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Andy Brooks (working with others)
		Date of next review	11 March 2027 or before next parade		

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? How will they be communicated to young people and adults?	Review & revise. What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
<p>A hazard is something that may cause harm or damage. The risk is the harm that may occur from the hazard.</p>	<p>For example: young people, adult volunteers, visitors</p>	<p>Controls are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity.</p>	<p>Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity.</p> <p>This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.</p>
<p>Uneven terrain – leading to increased risk of other hazards. Additional consequences of being lost and exhausted.</p>	<p>All those taking part</p>	<p>Make sure routes are suitable for all participants – consider any reasonable adjustments for those with additional needs and the physical capabilities of all, particularly those in younger sections. Consider transitions between surfaces and trip hazards. Have good marshalling to keep people on the correct course and remind them of any particular physical hazards. Provide clear instructions regarding the route and designate a parade leader to ensure the route is followed. Parade route modified for younger sections</p>	

You can find more information in the [Safety checklist for leaders](#) and at scouts.org.uk/safety

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<p>Unauthorised use of route</p>		<p>Ensure an early conversation is had with those with responsibility or control of the land which the route covers (WFDC). This is a public road or pathway, and permission is required from the local authority and police.</p>	
<p>Meeting up / Setting up to start</p>		<p>Have a safe space to meet and form up the parade. Marshalls to help inform participants and to monitor any traffic. Participants briefed on the event and all controls put in place that they need to follow. All participants are informed of the meeting point, starting time and what the parade and service entails Leaders to be clear on head counts by regular checks throughout the event</p>	
<p>Roads and traffic – injuries from collisions between vehicles and people.</p>	<p>Young people, leaders</p>	<p>An application has been made to the Council for the road closure and duly approved. Undertake the rolling road closure with the assistance of marshalls to stop traffic on the roads which the parade is moving on. Marshalls to undertake training to support the road closure at a briefing prior to the Parade All Marshalls have received written notification of what is expected of them, the route that is being taken and who to contact if a situation occurs by individual marshall point information cards, use of radios and pre parade briefing. Leaders to brief young people on safety around roads and expected behaviour. Marshalls to wear hi-visibility jackets.</p>	
<p>Weather – rain before and during the Parade, hot weather causing heat exhaustion or sun stroke.</p>	<p>Young people, leaders</p>	<p>Monitor weather forecast in advance. If extreme heavy rain forecast, then plan alternative if possible. Advise participants on suitable clothing to wear. If it's very hot, ensure leaders keep checking that participants are coping with conditions. Water available in support vehicle Review route before and during the parade considering weather conditions, for example, if it's too hot or wet to continue.</p>	
<p>Parade disperses – Dismissal from New Road</p>	<p>Young people, leaders</p>	<p>Leaders for each Group/Section are responsible for checking off and dismissing their own members. All children will stay with their respective Leader until they are handed back to parents in a controlled manner, or the parents have given permission for the older children to go home by themselves.</p>	

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Emergencies	Young people, leaders	All Group Scout Leaders/Leaders should have an emergency contact for each young person attending the parade. A small First aid kit to be taken with the Group, a larger First Aid Kit will be provided by District team and carried in the support vehicle accompanying the parade. Follow the Purple Card guidance if an incident occurs.	
Communication Lack of information causing aggression, disruption or discontent by motorists or general public	All those taking part	Signage with times of road closures to be displayed on Ring Road etc 1 week in advance Notice of the Parade to be communicated through local media platforms especially Facebook groups. Marshalls to be stationed in pairs at major junctions and be fully briefed to report / call for support for any aggressive behaviour	
Building works at Town Hall Restricted width of route due to scaffolding and fencing around the site.	All those taking part	Stage for dignitaries to take the salute to be resited at the other side of the route, past the restricted width area Extra marshalls to be positioned around the site Parade leaders and leaders responsible for young people to be made aware of changes	