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| **Name of activity, event, and location** | **Use of Low Ropes Course @ Bramhope Scout Campsite** | **Date of risk assessment** | **07/05/2025** | **Name of person doing this risk assessment** | **Angie Foley**  **John Smallwood** |
| **Date of next review** | **01/05/2026** |

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| **What could go wrong?**  What hazard have you identified?  What are the risks from it? | **Who is at risk?** | **What are you going to do about it?**  How are the risks already controlled?  What extra controls are needed?  How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs? | **Review & revise**  What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?  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*, ensure comments are passed to Site Manager* |
| Correct Personal protection equipment (PPE) | All involved in activity | Leader in Charge (LinC) of activity to be appointed by group using equipment. LinC will have overall charge and responsibility for safety and discipline.  LinC to ensure all helmets are fitted correctly prior to young person entering the course. |  |
| Damaged or Faulty Equipment  Fall onto sharp objects: bigger branches/stones | All involved in activity | Site Manager to undertake weekly visual check of course equipment. Annual full inspection to be completed by independent company.  Course to be checked by LinC before activity commences  Site management to observe stated maintenance schedule.  Helmets to be cleaned as required, following manufacturers recommendations. No detergents. |  |
| Fall/collision with trees | All involved in activity | Briefing given by LinC prior to activity starting regarding caution when moving from one area to another.  Suitable helmets to be worn. Fittings to be checked by LinC  Adequate ‘spotting’ for nervous or younger participants. |  |
| Entanglement in course equipment | All involved in activity | Briefing to include removal of jewellery (rings/necklaces/piercings)  LinC to check suitable clothing is worn. Flowing sleeves/scarves etc to be removed or tucked into clothing |  |
| Rope burns | All involved in activity | Briefing from LinC re use of ropes, advise how to release when gripping ropes not letting slide through hands |  |
| Being fallen on by participant | All involved in activity | Suitable PPE to be worn  ‘Spotting’ brief by LinC. All Leaders to support activity. |  |
| Misuse of course/inappropriate behaviour | All involved in activity | Adequate leader/young person ratios. Briefing from LinC prior to activity regarding behaviour standards  Group Leaders to help maintain discipline. Lack of leader support may mean session is terminated.  Bark chips NOT to be picked up or thrown.  Persistent indiscipline may result in the young person being excluded or the session being terminated |  |
| Absence of Zip wire | All activity users | Participants to exit course from planks before final platform.  End platform taped with warning tape to show no access |  |