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| HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESMENT |  | Person conducting assessment: Christopher Holliss GSL |
| **1st Park Street Scout Group:**  | Risk Assessment No: 005 |  | Date 24/02/2017 |
| Activity: Hand Axe Use | Location: Park Street, Scout HQ |  | Person Supervising: xx |
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| Persons Exposed: | Leaders/Helpers: xx | Section Members: xx | Public /visitors: xx |
| Other:  |  Total no. of persons at risk: xx |  | **Notes**1. Likelihood of harm: Likely=3, possible=2, Unlikely=1 Severity of harm: Major injury=3 Notifiable occurrence=2 Minor injury=11. If following controls there remains a result greater than or equal to 4 in column 7, refer the assessment for a review of the controls. Further controls should be implemented to reduce the degree of risk.
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| **HAZARDS WHICH CREATE POTENTIAL FOR HARM** |  |
| Heat |  |  | Electricity |  |  | Exhaustion/Fatigue |  |  | Cold & Hypothermia |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sharp Objects | X |  | Fumes/Gas |  |  | Dehydration |  |  | Cutting (sawing etc) | X |  |  |
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| Bed Wetting |  |  | Water (ie Weils) |  |  | Manual Handling |  |  | Falling objects |  |  |  |
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| Adverse Weather |  |  | Abrasion |  |  | Noise >75db |  |  | Flying particles | X |  |
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| Slips/Trips/Falls | X |  | Collision |  |  | Burns |  |  | Chemicals/Substances |  |  |  |  |
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| Falls from level (ground) | X |  | Ingestion |  |  | Lighting Levels | X |  | Sickness |  |  |
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| Coach None Arrival  |  |  | Vehicular Crash |  |  | Vehicular impact |  |  | Travel Delays |  |  |
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| Medical condition as stated on medical form |  |  | Cross Contamination(Food) |  |  | AnaphylaxisReaction |  |  | Spare |  |  |
| Other (specify): …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………. |
| The above list is not exhaustive. |  |
| **HAZARD** | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Factors of Harm | RiskMultiple of columns 1 × 2 | CONTROL MEASURES | LikelihoodSee note 1 | SeveritySee note 1 | Residual riskMultiple of columns 5 × 6 | Control measures implemented by (name) |
| Likelihood see note 1 | Severity see note 1 |
| Cutting | 3 | 2 | 6 | Only Scouts that have been trained by an adult & have achieved the agreed level of skill can unsheathe and use a hand axe. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Leaders &Patrol Leaders |
|  |  |  |  | Sturdy leather footwear must be worn by anyone using an axe. The axe should be suitably sheathed or the entire cutting edge planted securely in a log.Unless it is being held and in use. | 1 | 2 | 3 | As Above |
|  |  |  |  | Axe work should only be cared out in a clearly defined & suitably sized area and marked chopping area. The person using the axe is responsible for ensuring that only they are in the defined area unless in an emergency or under instruction. | 1 | 2 | 2 | As Above |
|  |  |  |  | The axe must be visually inspected prior to use to check for damage to head and / or handle. | 1 | 2 | 2 | As Above |

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| Adverse Weather | 3 | 2 | 6 | Axe handles & users hands should not be wet / too cold so as to avoid slipping when in use. No axes are to be used in the rain. | 1 | 2 | 2 | As Above |
| Lighting Levels | 3 | 2 | 6 | The use of the axe should only be carried out in good lighting conditions | 1 | 2 | 2 | All Leaders |
| Flying particles | 3 | 2 | 6 | Safety glasses/goggles should be worn if available by the users of the axe. No one else should be within the clearly defined and marked chopping area. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Leaders &Patrol leaders |
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