

Driffield and Wolds u3a

Risk assessment for the u3a “We’re Jammin’” group in the Driffield Methodist Church Schoolroom

“We’re Jammin’” is a guitar and singing ensemble which normally meets in the Driffield Methodist Church Schoolroom. The venue has performed its own risk assessments, which are available on its website, and u3a members will follow requirements, such as instructions in the event of a fire.

General comments

The Schoolroom is a single storey building with no stairs.

It has a **kitchen** which is used for serving refreshments, usually hot drinks and snacks that do not require cooking. These are served to the schoolroom via a hatch.

U3a activities in the schoolroom

A risk assessment check list (attached) has been completed and the following risks have been identified:

- Fire
 - Members will follow the venue’s fire instructions
 - Large items will not be placed where they might block corridors or fire exits
 - A register of those attending is not required for fire safety purposes
- Falls
 - The main concern is the possibility of tripping over music stands or instruments. Group members are aware of this and will take care not to endanger themselves or others.
 - If cables are used, for example for the amplifiers, care will be taken to ensure that they do not cause a trip hazard
 - Any liquid spillages on floors will be cleaned to avoid slips.
 - Access to the stage will be restricted to those requiring it, such as presenters. It is expected that those on the stage will take reasonable care not to approach the edge
- Use of the kitchen
 - Overcrowding will be avoided. Only those designated to provide refreshments will be present
- Lifting and Handling
 - Members will take care in any lifting and handling they need to do
- Other risks
 - Any electrical items which can be connected to the electrical supply, such as amplifiers, will be visually inspected for damage or wear to cables and plugs. Worn or damaged items will not be used

Assessment

With the measures provided by the venue, together with those identified in the section above, the risk of injury to members attending is considered to be low.

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