



Part 1										
	Ever	nt Plan								
1A) Contact Information:										
Main Contact For The Event: Louis Hall	Email Address for Main Contact: lh17g22@soton.ac.uk	Club or Society: Spaceflight Society (SUSF)	Contact Number: 07519176492							
1B) Event Information:										
Event Name: High Alt Balloon Outreach Event	Event Date: 09/10/25 - 10/10/25 Event Venue/Venues: Walhampton School, Lymington Total Attendees: 4									
Event Timings:	Set Up: 0800 Event Start: 0930 Event End: 1500 Pack Down: 1630									
Event Break down: (This includes everything happening at your event eg: fundraising, food provision and any performance or sporting activity.)	Eg: 08:00 – Meet at campus for travel to sch 09:15 – Arrive at school 09:30 – begin activities 10:30 – 11 - Break 11 – 12:30 - Resume activities 12:30 – 13:30 – Lunch 13:30 – 15:00 – Conclusion of the day's and the school 16:30 – Arrive back at campus									



Is this a Ticketed Event? If so please	No	How Much Are your Tickets? And	N/A								
state the Name of the ticket on		how many are available?									
Boxoffice:											
You can set up Box-office tickets											
through your group's hub page for											
guidance on this click <u>here:</u>											
Overview of Event Concept:		h-altitude balloon launch will be cond									
(Description of the activities taking place.		nvolves releasing a large helium-filled									
This includes everything happening at your		into the upper atmosphere. The balloo	_								
event eg: fundraising, food provision and any performance or sporting activity)	eltitude, after which the payload returns to the ground using a parachute. The activity is carefully planned with										
any performance of sporting activity)		afety in mind, including GPS tracking to recover the payload and selecting a launch site that avoids risks to									
	people, property, and the environme	nt. All equipment is designed to be saf	e and suitable for educational use.								
Staff Hosting the event	The event will be hosted and lead by	the staff at Walhampton School.									
(List all committee & Volunteers that will											
be present and responsible for the event,	SUSF Members attending the event a	s consultants:									
as well as their role)	Louis Hall										
	Ethan Wilson										
	Grace Garczynski										
	Nicholas hall										
Tech Requirements	None										
(For a full list of what you can hire click											
here)											
Facilities Requirements	None										
Food Requirements	None										
(For full guidance on this click <u>here)</u>											
Security & First Aid Requirements	Any security or first aid requirements	will be managed by the school per the	ir discretion								



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(Who are the qualified first aiders in the group should a medical emergency occur?)			
Decorations that you are providing	None (Me hanging from the ceiling)		
Provisional Budget:	All costs are to be covered by Walha	mpton school	
(if you would like a more extensive			
budget tracker click <u>here</u> .)			
1C) Only Required If Externa	l Company/External Speaker	On Site For Event	
Business Name:	Business Contact Name:	Email Address:	Contact Number:
	Ellie Robinson	e.robinson@walhampton.com	07951279028
Arrival On Site: N/A (We are going to	Companies Risk Assessment link:	Companies Insurance Link:	Companies Public Liability Information
the external site)	N/A	N/A	Link: N/A
Departure time:			

If you are inviting a external company or individual on to campus for your event you will be required to submit this form to legalservices@soton.ac.uk at least 15 working days before the event. For more guidance on this please click here.



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Hazard	Potential Consequences	Who might be harmed	Inh	Inheren		Control measures (use		sidua		Further controls (use the risk hierarchy)
	(user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)		Likelihood	Impact	Score	the risk hierarchy)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	
Slips, Trips, Falls	Accident and/or Injury	 Students (UoS and Walhampton School) Members of the public 	1	3	3	 Students will be encouraged to take care when crossing busy streets and when negotiating paths. Students will also be encouraged to wear appropriate footwear when travelling by foo All boxes and equipment to be store away from work area Report any trip hazard to relevant persons asap. If cannot be removed mark off with clear signs 	 d	3	3	 Should injury occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Organisers to bring a first aid kit for minor injuries Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible – available here



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Individuals getting lost while on the trip.	Missing the transport there or back.	• SUSF Members	2	3	6	 Everyone has been informed to stay at the event and not leave without good reason and after informing the event lead All individuals will have the contact information of committee members and the schools event lead 	1	2	2	The committee will keep everyone together and periodically conduct group counts at important sections of the trip
Adverse Weather	Hypo – or hyperthermia, illness, injury, slipping, burns.	• Attendees	2	3	6	 Advise students and helpers to take appropriate clothing i.e. waterproofs, hat, sun cream 	1	3	3	 Should weather be deemed 'adverse' this event will be cancelled



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	Consequences	harmed (user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	Control measures (use the risk hierarchy)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	risk hierarchy)			
Inappropriate behaviour – from others or students	Distressed students, members of the public	 SUSF Students, Walhampton Students Members of the public 	2	3	6	Should inappropriate behaviour occur, students can contact both SUSU and/or appropriate emergency services	1	3	3	 Ensure participants are aware that they are responsible for own behaviour Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible – available here 			



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Medical Emergency	Consequences	harmed (user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	Control measures (use the risk hierarchy)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	risk hierarchy)		
Medical Emergency	Participants may sustain injury due to; pre-existing medical conditions, an incident whilst travelling, or as a result work performed at the event	 SUSF Members Walhampton Students & Staff Members of the public 	3	5	15	 SUSF Members will have the contact details of the school's staff who can appropriately manage any medical emergencies Next of kin and medical details have been collected in case they are needed for medical reasons- stored securely following GDPR Guidelines 	2	5	10	 Should an incident occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Organisers to bring a first aid kit for minor injuries Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible – available here 		





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Falling Balloon	Person gets hit by falling balloon	 Balloon operator Those nearby 	2	3	6	 Balloon operator and supervisors will ensure measures to control the balloon are always in place Viewers will be at a safe distance from where Balloon is being launched. Balloon will have parachute to slow descent to a safe speed. Balloon payload will have bright colours to improve visibility. 	1	2	2	•	Should an incident occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Organisers to bring a first aid kit for minor injuries Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible — available here
High pressure Helium tank	Helium inhalation, high pressure gas flow injuries, crushing injuries from dropped tank.	 Gas tank operator Those nearby 	3	3	9	 Spectators and students will be at a safe stand-off distance during balloon filling and all operations involving the helium tank. 	2	2	4	•	"Ownership" of the gas tank will be assigned to one individual, they will ensure safe handling,



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			 Safe working 				storage and
			measures will be put				usage
			in places and carefully				procedures
			observed. PPE				are
			including goggles,				observed at
			gloves and steel toe				all times.
			capped boots will be			•	Should an
			worn by the tank				incident
			operators				occur,
			 The tank operator will 				Committee
			be knowledgeable in				to contact
			the safe use of high				appropriate
			pressure gases and				emergency
			their tanks.				services
			 Tank operations will 			•	Organisers
			be supervised by				to bring a
			other trusted persons				first aid kit
			·				for minor
							injuries
						•	Committee
							to complete
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							soon as
							possible –
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Entanglement	Persons becoming entangled in cording	Those nearby	2	3	6	 All non-necessary persons will be kept at a safe distance from the balloon/payload equipment. All operators will be made aware of the location of the laid out balloon cords, which will be clearly marked 	1	2	2	Should an incident occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Organisers to bring a first aid kit for minor injuries Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible — available here
Structural failure of the Balloon or Payload container	A mechanism holding the payload to the balloon fails, causing the payload to fall uncontrolled	• Those nearby	2	3	6	 All securing mechanisms are known safe methods, 	1	3	3	



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						and double checked prior to launch Those in the vicinity are advised to pay close attention to the Balloon and are at a safe distance from the launch.				
Balloon collides with aircraft	Balloon impacts and damages aircraft	• Those nearby	2	3	6	 NOTAM is issued, so no aircraft shall be in the vicinity when the launch is occurring. Launch site is more than 5km from the nearest airfield The payload will include a radar reflector to vastly increase its visibility to other airspace users. 	1	3	3	Committee member will have the number of the appropriate authorities to warn of unexpected events or to report an incident



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Avionics failure affecting recovery system	Avionics failure causes recovery system to not properly deploy, and the payload fall uncontrolled	• Those nearby	2	3	6	 Avionics will be tested prior to launch to confirm they are in working order. Batteries confirmed to have full voltage prior to launch. 	1	3	3	Should an incident occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible — available here



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Battery Fire	Fire, power failure	• Those nearby	2	5	10	 Safe battery chemistry and safe charging devices will be used Battery will be stored in fire-resistant bags when not installed or charging Using Commercial Off The Shelf Power bank to minimise probability of manufacturing defects 	2	2	4	 Should an incident occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible – available here



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		harmed (user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	Control measures (use the risk hierarchy)	Likelihood	Impact	Score	(use the risk hierarchy)
Wind speeds affect flight trajectory	Balloon goes off course, potentially closer to viewers	Those in the vicinity	3	3	9	 Winds will be monitored and further simulations ran on the day, launch will not occur if winds exceed 10mph or the estimated landing site is too far away or in/near water A GPS tracker will inform of balloons location and trajectory 	1	2	2	



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Wind speeds cause Balloon to drift outside of expected flight path	Balloon drifts outside of cleared launch area/ expected landing area	Those in the vicinity	2	1	2	 Flight path predictions will be calculated based on shifting windspeeds. Launch will not happen if wind speeds exceed 10mph. A GPS tracker will inform of balloons location and trajectory 	1	1	1	
Foggy or cloudy skies reduce visibility of Balloon flight	Balloon would not be visible through entire flight	• Those nearby	2	2	4	Weather will be monitored. Launch will not occur if cloud cover is above a predetermined percentage	1	1	1	



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Calculations or simulations performed incorrectly	Predictions could be inaccurate, leading to changes in velocity, trajectory, or stability	• Those nearby	2	4	8	 Multiple simulations will be run, calculations will confirm simulation results, multiple students will check over. All spectators will be at a safe distance from launch, will follow "eyes up and point" procedure to be aware of where the Balloon is at all times. 	1	4	4	



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Collision with trees or powerlines upon descent	 Balloon is not recoverable, stuck in a tree or on a powerline Balloon causes damage to power infrastructure 	Members of the public	2	2	4	 Balloon is launched in an open space clear of trees or powerlines, and calculated drift with launch day conditions shall not exceed cleared area. Balloon will not be recovered until a safe way for retrieval is determined. 	1	1	1	Committee members will have the contact details for the appropriate authority, such as National Grid, should an incident occur.
Collision with birds during flight	Bird is hurt, Balloon is damaged	• Animals	1	2	2	 Will watch out for birds before launching. Balloon payload will be painted bright colours to increase its visibility 	1	1	1	



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Travelling to/from launch site	Minor or Major Injuries	 Those in the car Members of the public 	1	3	3	 Seatbelts are to be worn at all times Vehicle safety checks will be carried out prior to travel Vehicles will be stocked with safety equipment such as first aid kits and visibility aids for use in the event of an incident 	1	2	2	 Should an incident occur, Committee to contact appropriate emergency services Committee to complete SUSU Incident report as soon as possible – available here



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Ecological Damage	Damage to the environment or animals	 The environment animals 	3	3	9	 Reliable GPS tracking systems will be installed to ensure the payload is found and recovered. All possible effort will be used to ensure no material is left behind Recovery will be as quick as possible to mitigate the chance of animals discovering the landing site/the disruption caused by recovery activities 	1	3	3	



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		the vicinity; members of the public)	Likelihood	Impact	Score		Likelihood	Impact	Score	
Safeguarding - Walhampton school students	• Stress/distress	Walhampton school students	3	4	12	 School specific safeguarding policies will be discussed with the schools point of contact Members will not be alone with the school students without one of their teachers presence Members to have the contact details of our school contact should an issue arise Seek medical support from first aiders/local services as required Members will be advised on behavioural expectations/safeguarding policies for working with minors 	2	4	8	At least one committee member present will be eDBS cleared All incidents to be reported via SUSU reporting tools. Follow SUSU incident report policy



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Workshop Equipment usage (crafts)- scissors, glue, paper	Minor injuries	All participants	3	2	6	•	be ma school Partici advise	ry responsibility to intained by the s teachers pants and members d on the safest way the resources	2	2	4	p in C ai	artner aciden all em id as re 1embe	all incidents to rs/SUSU. Follow SUSU t report policy ergency services/first equired ers to complete first ning where possible



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Safeguarding - SUSF Members	• Stress/distress	SUSF Members	3	4	12	 Volunteers/members to avoid lone working Members to support one another Members to seek support and guidance when unsure Seek medical support from first aiders/local services as required Committee to signpost members to relevant contacts and follow up with members if incident reported 	2	4	8	All incidents to be reported via partners/SUSU reporting tools. Follow SUSU incident report policy



Fire	Smoke inhalation burns and more severe. Risk of extreme harm.		1	5	5	Those leading the session must ensure they are aware of and fully understand the venue or locations fire procedures. Those leading must make sure that all exit routes are clearly highlighted and report any issues immediately to the venue. Highlight to all the participants the nearest emergency exit routes at the start of a session, and the importance of leaving calmly in case of an emergency. Avoid build-up of debris in the activity area. Consider accessibility requirements.	1	4	4	In case of an emergency, please pull the nearest fire alarm and ensure all participants leave the venue calmly and safely. Once in a safe position to do so, call the emergency services on 999. Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy
Reputational Risk: For the club or society, as well as to SUSU and the University	Incidents causing reputational damage to the group, Southampton University Students' Union or Southampton University itself. This could be controversial posts, conduct during the event,	The club/society, SUSU or the University's reputation.	2	1	2	 Ensuring all parts of this risk assessment are adhered to. Ensuring all members are reminded that they are representing the club/society, SUSU and the University. 	1	1	1	 Ensure that any incidents involving public or others are recorded and addressed. Report any incidents to the activities team following <u>SUSU</u>



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	or anything else that brings the clubs/societies, SUSU or the University's name into disrepute.					Members are reminded that they need to adhere to SUSU's Code of Conduct.				incident report policy



PART 2B – Action Plan

Risk Assessment Action Plan

Part no.	Action to be taken, incl. Cost	By whom	Target date	Review date	Outcome at review date
1	Confirm CAA permit is in place before launch	Louis Hall	06/10/25	N/A	
2	Participant briefing on health & safety before trip	Louis Hall	06/10/25	N/A	
3	Participants emergency contact details gathered by organisers- stored securely in accordance with GDPR guidelines	Louis Hall	06/10/25	N/A	
4	Organisers to check and pack a first aid kit	Louis Hall	06/10/25	N/A	
5	Organisers severe weather check prior to departure	Louis Hall	06/10/25	N/A	
6	Transport- where student drivers and SUSU hire vehicles to be used ensure vehicle safety checks area carried out	Louis Hall	06/10/25	N/A	

Responsible committee member signature: Louis Hall

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Print name: Louis Hall

Date:

02/10/2025

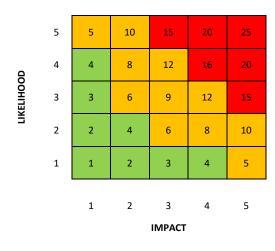
Print name: Ethan Wilson

Date: 02/10/2025

Assessment Guidance



				Students Official	
1. Eliminate	Remove the hazard wherever possible which negates the need for further controls	If this is not possible then explain why	1		
2. Substitute	Replace the hazard with one less hazardous	If not possible then explain why	2	/	
3. Physical controls	Examples: enclosure, fume cupboard, glove box	Likely to still require admin controls as well	3		
4. Admin controls	Examples: training, supervision, signage		4	7	
5. Personal protection	Examples: respirators, safety specs, gloves	Last resort as it only protects the individual	5		



Risk process

- 1. Identify the impact and likelihood using the tables above.
- 2. Identify the risk rating by multiplying the Impact by the likelihood using the coloured matrix.
- 3. If the risk is amber or red identify control measures to reduce the risk to as low as is reasonably practicable.
- 4. If the residual risk is green, additional controls are not necessary.
- 5. If the residual risk is amber the activity can continue but you must identify and implement further controls to reduce the risk to as low as reasonably practicable.
- If the residual risk is red <u>do not continue with the activity</u> until additional controls have been implemented and the risk is reduced.
- 7. Control measures should follow the risk hierarchy, where appropriate as per the pyramid above.
- 8. The cost of implementing control measures can be taken into account but should be proportional to the risk i.e. a control to reduce low risk may not need to be carried out if the cost is high but a control to manage high risk means that even at high cost the control would be necessary.

Impact		Health & Safety			
1	Trivial -	Very minor injuries e.g. slight			
	insignificant	bruising			
2	Minor	Injuries or illness e.g. small cut or			
		abrasion which require basic first			
		aid treatment even in self-			
		administered.			
3	Moderate	Injuries or illness e.g. strain or			
		sprain requiring first aid or medical			
		support.			
4	Major	Injuries or illness e.g. broken bone			
		requiring medical support >24			
		hours and time off work >4 weeks.			
5	Severe -	Fatality or multiple serious injuries			
	extremely	or illness requiring hospital			
	significant	admission or significant time off			
	-	work.			
		work.			

Likelihood	
1	Rare e.g. 1 in 100,000 chance or higher
2	Unlikely e.g. 1 in 10,000 chance or higher
3	Possible e.g. 1 in 1,000 chance or higher
4	Likely e.g. 1 in 100 chance or higher
5	Very Likely e.g. 1 in 10 chance or higher