



Brighthouse Charity Gala 2017

Management Plan

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Introduction

Brighouse Charity Gala is a town gala held on the last Saturday in June and organised by a voluntary committee. In the year 2017 it will be the 52nd Brighouse Charity Gala.

The main objectives of the Gala are:

- †To provide entertainment for the local community
- † To raise money to donate to local and national charities, local voluntary organisations, sports clubs and other worthy causes
- †To provide the opportunity for charities and organisations to raise money by their own means through stalls and games etc.

The Gala is held in Wellholme Park. Bradford Road, Brighouse

The Gala Day consists of a procession through the town of Brighouse starting at the Recreation Park on Garden Road and proceeding through Brighouse to Wellholme Park via Bradford Road.

The procession consists of safety vehicles, floats, walking groups and marching bands.

In Wellholme Park there is a full programme of events in the arena and on stage from 12.00 to 17.00hrs. Attractions include bands, light-musical acts, Fun Fair, Dog Show, Donkey rides, stalls (commercial and charity), food outlets, ice cream vendors, and various side shows.

The funds to put on this Gala are raised through sponsors, business-advertising in a programme, pre-Gala ticket sales, a collection during the procession and entry fee at Gala field gates.

Distribution List - Calderdale Council (Peter Vardy)

- West Yorkshire Police -
- * West Yorkshire Fire Service
- * West Yorkshire Ambulance Service

St. John Ambulance

*Copy via Calderdale Council.

Brighouse Charity Gala 2017 Committee

Presidents	Jean and Ernest Ainley-
Gala Management:	
Chairman	Peter Charles
Secretary	Emma Weeks/Salma Kalsoom
Treasurer	Christine Fletcher
Field Chairman	Steve Lord
Field secretary	Salma Kalsoom
Procession Chairman	Zoe Parker:
Procession Co-ordinator	Tim and Carole Dale
Quartermaster:	Richard Mitchell
Publicity:	Ken Langford
Safety Co-ordinator/ Fire Office	Dilys Coop
Security Manager:	Steve Lord
Gala Ambassador Management	Brighouse Ladies Circle:
First Aid	St John Ambulance
Announcer:	Steve Lord

Insurance

Brighthouse Charity Gala has obtained an EVENT LIABILITY POLICY through T.G. WEBSTER Ltd

The policy is for £5m Public Liability/£10m Employer's Liability and the Insurance Company is EVENTS INSURANCE SERVICES

PUBLIC LIABILITY: LIMIT OF INDEMNITY £5,000,000

EQUIPMENT INSURANCE

Equipment which is hired like generators are covered by the hirers own insurance against theft etc. In the case of portable communication equipment, these are difficult to insure for one day. Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee have decided to accept the responsibility for any loss of hand-held radio equipment and will reimburse the owners, from Gala funds, for any losses incurred.

CANCELLATION AND ABANDONMENT

Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee have discussed this in detail and have decided, that due to the cost involved in providing insurance cover and the amount of outlay for staging the Gala, the Executive Committee will cover the cost of cancellation from Gala funds, should it be necessary to cancel **outright**.

FAIRGROUND RIDES ETC

Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee will ensure that all Fairground operators and rides comply with the relevant Codes of Practice and will examine insurance and test certificates before allowing the operators onto the park

Risk Assessment

Brighthouse Charity Gala has a proud record of safety, but this can never be taken for granted.

Through devoting a special meeting to field layout including position of marquees, arena, stalls, fairground, equipment used, access (pedestrians and vehicles), we hope we have alleviated many of the simple hazards which cause accidents.

In respect of the marquee used by the public and the positioning of stalls, vehicles, etc we ensure that adequate distance (6 metres minimum for tents) is maintained between the various items. This is in accordance with regulations set down by the Guide Association and the Boys' Brigade.

To this end Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee has received training from the Scouting movement.

All marquees and tents will be spaced a minimum of 6 metres apart.

No vehicles or trailers will be parked within 6 metres of any tent.

No smoking is allowed in any marquee which is run by Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee. No

smoking signs and what to do in case of fire are displayed in all marquees. Each marquee has suitable fire extinguishers and sand buckets provided. Before the Gala commences a qualified Health and Safety Officer from the executive Committee will visit the site to advise accordingly. Before an Organisation is accepted on the Gala field, the Brighthouse Charity Gala Health and Safety form must be completed, including a "method statement" and any Safety Certificates, etc. Which MUST be approved by this H & S Officer

Ground Plan

This will be published in the Brighthouse Echo the week before the event and in the Programme

Crowd Management / Stewarding

STEWARDSHIP

a)	Procession parking		2
	Procession (Traffic Control}		10+
	Gates —	Thornhill Beck Lane	2
		Main Bridge	20
		Foot Bridge	2
		Oakhill Lane	2
		Ground stewards	5

All stewards will be wearing yellow tabards.

All Procession marshalls wear Yellow, hi-vis jackets (police recommendation).

In addition, in-park litter bins will be emptied by the stewards throughout the afternoon.

STEWARDS/FIRST AID FINAL BRIEFING — at Open Meeting Monday BEFORE Gala.

b) Emergency Service Plans as per Health & Safety Meeting.

- i) Escape action and evacuation, raising the alarm.
- ii) Prevention of fire spread.
- iii) Provision of fire fighting equipment, numbers, type and position.
- iv) Site access for appliances and emergency vehicles.
- v) Need for Fire Service to attend the event.

ENTRY & EXIT POINT

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| 1. Thornhill Beck Lane.
steward
emergency vehicles. | This gate is pedestrian and main vehicle access and the gate will have a key to open in case of emergency or for |
| 2. Main Bridge | This gate is a pedestrian only entrance except for emergency vehicles. |
| 3. Foot Bridge | This gate is pedestrian only. |
| 4 Oak Hill Road | This gate is a pedestrian entrance but the gate steward will have a key to open in case of emergency evacuation or for emergency service vehicles. |

The nature of the whole park makes evacuation of pedestrians relatively easy and ,therefore, swift.

EVENT ORGANISERS CONTROL POINT

This will be in front of the Treasures Tent, immediately opposite the Main Bridge entrance
COMMUNICATION

A number of two-way radios will be available for communication between Procession Marshalls

and the Park. The main control point on the park will be the Secretary's marquee.

PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM

A public address system is broadcast throughout the Park

ARENA 2017

This will consist of ropes and pins in front of the main stage.

First Aid is covered by a contracted "professional" organisation supported by staff with an on-field ambulance, and can be found adjacent to the **main bridge entrance**.

Found Children/Lost Property

Any "found" children and "lost" property will be taken to the Announcer's stage by a Steward who will remain there until parents/owners are found. Stewards are in contact with the announcer who will give a message over the public address system.

Marquees

All marquees used are the property of Brighthouse Charity Gala. They are in good condition and erected by competent people under the supervision of the Executive committee who received tuition from the Scouts.

Tent Pegs and Guy Ropes which are in a prominent position will be clearly marked.

All marquees will be spaced a minimum of 6 metres apart and no vehicles or trailers will be parked within 6 metres of any marquee..

Staging

Brighthouse Charity Gala organisers use a portable platform within the arena and the main-stage.

Electrical Systems / Generators

There is **no** mains-supplied electricity source used at Brighthouse Charity Gala. Should Brighthouse Charity Gala have the need to hire generators for Stage use, Entertainers and Announcer, said generators provided would be diesel Generators. Consideration is given to the positioning of these generators with respect to storage of fuel, direction and quality of exhaust gases, protection from interference by and or members of the public coming into contact with hot/moving parts. Each generator will have an appropriate fire extinguisher in close proximity.

Fire Safety (Outdoor Event)

PROCEDURE IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE IN A MARQUEE OR TENT:

- 1) The marquee steward will raise the alarm by sounding an air horn and proceed to evacuate the marquee/tent.
- 2) The marquee steward will inform the Safety Officer, who will ring the Fire Brigade (this phone will not be used for any other purpose and will remain at the treasure's marquee at all times The message given on the phone will be:-
 - i.) a fire at Brighthouse Gala in Wellholme Park on the A643 Bradford Road
 - ii) you will be met by the assistant safety steward at the vehicle entrance on Thornhill Lane entrance.
- 3) An announcement will be made over the loud speaker system and all ground stewards will proceed to the site of the fire.
- 4) Ground stewards whilst maintaining their own safety, will supervise the evacuation of all stalls, tents, etc within a 30 metre radius. No other marquees, tents, stalls etc not within the 30 metre radius of the fire will not be evacuated at this point. The marquee stewards of the marquees not within the 30 metre radius of the fire will remain at their post in readiness to evacuate should the need arise.
- 5) The First Aid Team will also attend the site of the fire but still leaving their First Aid tent manned.

PROCEDURE IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE IN ANY OTHER AREA:

- 6) The nearest ground steward will raise the alarm by contacting the Chief Safety Officer.
- 7) Procedures 2 to 5 above will apply.
- 8) Access to the gala field is by the following
 - (a) Thornhill Beck Lane, Main Bridge, Foot bridge and Oak Hill Lane
- 9) All marquees owned by Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee are equipped with the appropriate Fire Extinguishers and Fire Buckets. Notices "In the event of a fire" are displayed in the marquees.
- 10) All stallholders are informed on the booking form that it is their responsibility to provide their own firefighting equipment as appropriate. Spot Checks will be carried out by the Field Marshalls as the stall holders enter the gala field.
- 11) LPG - None of the Brighthouse Charity Gala Marquees uses LPG for heating water for tea/coffee.
- 12) Stewards - All stewards will be familiar with the use of Extinguishers and evacuation procedure stated above.

13) Disposal of Rubbish - This year skips (with lockable doors) will be provided by Biffa . Regular emptying of dustbins etc will be undertaken throughout the afternoon.

14) Attendance Numbers - There is no provision for controlling numbers attending Brighthouse Charity Gala, an average (based on previous years figures) is 9500.

15) Escape Routes and Access for emergency vehicles - Emphasis has been placed on the layout of the gala field in respect of positioning of marquees, distance between tented constructions, width of access areas etc to facilitate access to all parts of the gala field by emergency services.

Police

Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee will be in contact with the Police with regards to crowd control for the procession. Advisory "NO-PARKING" cones will be placed on Garden Road (Start point) and Bradford Road adjacent to Wellholme Park.

A police presence will be requested to be in effect on the Gala Field throughout the event.

Ambulance

Professional first-aid cover will be contracted to be in attendance at Wellholme Park with their mobile unit and a manned ambulance. West Yorkshire Ambulance and Fire Service are informed about the Gala. The procedure for calling the ambulance service will be similar to the fire service regarding messages to the whereabouts of the accident and the access to Wellholme Park on the afternoon of the Gala.

Traffic Arrangements

Car Parking - Car parking is NOT provided by Brighthouse Charity Gala except for one car/vehicle per stall parked as instructed by the Field Marshalls. However, parking is allowed on the roads in Brighthouse. Wellholme Park has a public car park which is open to the public throughout the Gala.

Road Closures - The road closures for Brighthouse Charity Gala, are effectively a simple "rolling road-block" supervised by the Tim and Carole Dale co-ordinating Brighthouse 4 x 4 Group.

Vehicles on Site - From 12.00 p.m. to 17.00 vehicles are not allowed to move around Wellholme Park The procession arrives and enters at the entry-gate on the Bradford Road side of the park and therefore does not enter the main field.

Site damage - Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee are conscious of the effects vehicles can have on the underlying ground. Depending on the weather and the condition of the ground on the preceding days, the final positions of some of the stallholders and fairground equipment may have to vary from the original However, the same principles apply with regards to the distances between the various stalls/marquees etc.

Evacuation Procedures

Depending on the specifics, risk assessments may have identified the need for control measures or contingencies, which if called for include partial or extensive evacuation, this may more likely be in respect of a 'burger van' or larger fire but could relate to another threat, some less likely than others, example: a loose animal, a stage/marquee/structure in danger of collapse, a 'suspicious package' being spotted or simply to make way for an ambulance, etc

Wellholme Park is bordered by Wellholme Beck and woods which can be entered by many points along the length of the gala-field in addition to the 4 entrance points mentioned previously. The field stewards will supervise any evacuation and keep the public clear of any potential danger by a distance of 50m.

All information will be recorded and whoever found the device will remain on-site to brief the police.

IN THE EVENT OF A SUSPECT PACKAGE (bomb) EVACUATION

Minimum safe distances: 100m for small objects such as briefcases, 200m for cars, and for anything bigger the recommended distance is 400m)."

Notes:

*Consideration will need to be given to the procedure for alerting Stewards. For example if via radio that a Steward may be within 10m and if misunderstanding the situation may TRANSMIT a request for further information.

*It is good practice whether over a public address systems or via radio to use coded messages

which while being clearly understood by event personnel who would then carry out a predetermined action, have no meaning to others and therefore do not cause anxiety. This can avoid uncontrolled crowd behaviour.

The Ground Safety Co-ordinator isSalma Kalsoom

The assistant Ground Safety Co-ordinator isPeter Charles

The exit routes are:

1. Exit via main bridge onto Bradford Road side of Park.
2. Exit onto Thornhill Lane.
3. Exit via footbridge onto Bradford Road side of Park
4. Exit via Oakhill Road to Brighthouse.

If there is no suspicion of an explosive device, the Safety Co-ordinator will broadcast a radio message to all stewards. This will state:

An urgent message to all stewards, an urgent message to all stewards. Please maintain complete

radio silence until otherwise instructed or you have information of an essential nature to pass to the Safety co-ordinator.

A very brief description of the nature of the incident will then follow and instruction on the precise method of evacuation will be given. That is, part or full evacuation and exits to be used. (as numbered above)

It is unlikely that an explosive device would be used due to the restriction of vehicles onto the field.

In the event of a suspect package or vehicle radios will not be used, the park is only some 200

metres across and therefore their use could activate an explosion.

The announcer will broadcast a message over the loudspeakers using the following:

A message for all stewards, CODE (then giving the exit not to be used).

THIS WILL BE REPEATED SEVERAL TIMES.

Stewards should then start a controlled evacuation from the park by informing members of the public within earshot to leave the park by the nearest safe exit. All entertainment including the fun fair should then cease and the announcer should make a request for all persons to leave the field immediately without giving the nature of the incident.

CHECK LIST

- †Ground Safety Co-ordinator aware
- †Assistant Ground Safety Co-ordinator aware
- †Stewards aware
- †Police aware
- †Ambulance aware
- †Fire and Rescue aware
- †All persons evacuated from vicinity of incident
- †No movement of vehicles on park
- †Prevent bystanders causing a problem.

Alcohol on site

During Brighthouse Charity Gala 2017, Wellholme Park is alcohol free with none being sold nor given as prizes.

Procession Organisation/Traffic Management Plan

The procession assembles on the morning of the gala, at the Garden Road recreation ground. Larger articulated vehicles, used as floats in the procession, will be “dressed” on the morning of gala at Brow Mills on Halifax Road and driven down to join the procession starting at Garden Road. They will line-up in Lightcliffe Road outside St Andrews Junior School. After leaving Garden Road the procession proceeds along Lightcliffe Road, Waterloo Road, Halifax Road (A644), Commercial Street, King Street, Lawson Road, Huddersfield Road (A641) and finally Bradford Road (A643) to Wellholme Park..

It is anticipated that the procession will have completely left Garden Road by 12:20pm

Separate document attached.....Brighthouse Charity Gala Procession Traffic Management Plan

Fairground Rides

Fairground operators are informed on the booking forms that:

- (1) Fairground operators must produce their Public Liability and Safety Certificates on the day of the Gala (HSG81 Fairground and Amusements, PM1976 Inflatables)

(2) Goldfish are NOT allowed to be given as prizes.

All fairground operators insurance and test certificates are examined before being allowed in.

Pyrotechnics

There are no bonfires or firework displays at Brighthouse Charity Gala.

Balloon Races

There are no balloon races from Brighthouse Charity Gala.

Litter

Brighthouse Charity Gala Committee try to ensure that Wellholme Park is left clean and tidy after the Gala day. Plenty of dustbins are around the field and are emptied at regular intervals into

a lockable skip which is provided by Biffa. A final clean-up of the park is conducted on Sunday morning following the Gala.

Toilets

Ladies and Gents toilets are provided at Garden Road assembly point and portable toilets are provided on the Gala field . The latter are supplied and maintained by Shaw Services. They arrive on Friday night and will be taken away on Saturday evening.

