

# **BTLTC Severe Weather Management Plan**

The aim of this plan is to ensure that procedures are in place to deal with severe weather conditions appropriately and to avoid the risk of injury to anyone at the club.

## **General:**

- Visual inspections of the marquee and the general condition of the facilities at the club will be made weekly or immediately following any severe weather event (Ryan for marquee + A Committee Member for rest)
- A full inspection of the marquee will be made by an independent, competent, qualified person every 2 or 3 years (to be advised). (Ryan + Aidan Dobson)
- The weather forecast from the Met Office will be monitored daily for Red or Amber weather warnings which will be used to determine the closure of the club for the duration of the danger period. (Ryan + A Committee Member)

## **Wind:**

- A Red Met Office warning for strong winds will trigger the closure of the Club due to the extremely high risk of damage and injury.
- An Amber Met Office warning will trigger the monitoring of windspeed at the club every 5 minutes using a remote anemometer mounted near the apex of the marquee. (Coach + A Committee Member)
- The maximum wind gust speed allowed by Markey, the manufacturer, is 56mph. They state that if the windspeed exceeds this then the marquee should be evacuated
- Coaching will be cancelled and people evacuated to the Assembly Point at the entry corner area of the courts.
- Parents will be notified to come and collect their children and members who have booked courts on Clubspark will also be notified that the conditions are unsafe and they should not attend. A "Courts Closed" sign will be put up at the entrance to the club. (Coach or A Committee Member).

## **Lightning:**

- A Red or Amber Met Office warning for lightning in the area means that the threat to life is significant and will mean that the club will be closed during the danger period.
- The same cancellation and communication procedures as above will be implemented but for safety the evacuation should be to inside the clubhouse. (Coach + A Committee Member).

## **Snow:**

- A Red or Amber Met Office warning for snow means that there is a threat of severe disruption to travel and a high danger of risk to life and limb.
- So the club will be closed for the duration of the high risk period and the same cancellation and communication procedures as above will be implemented. (Coach + A Committee Member).

## **BTLTC Committee**