

GROUP COORDINATORS HANDBOOK



DREAMING THE IMPOSSIBLE *2026*

HELLO FROM THE DTI TEAM

'Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.'

Ephesians 3.20-21

Dreaming the Impossible is an annual youth gathering for young people aged 12-18 from churches and youth organisations everywhere. We're passionate about seeing young people meet Jesus and fearlessly follow Him, believing that nothing is impossible with God. DTI is led by Susie Aldridge (DTI Director). Serving alongside Susie to lead the team are Zeke Rink (DTI Associate Director) Aaron Smith (DTI Pastor) and Liz Harden (DTI Pastor) as well as an amazing core team of youth leaders and operational staff from Vineyard Churches UK&I.

WHAT IS DREAMING THE IMPOSSIBLE?

Dreaming the Impossible is an annual Christian youth gathering for 12-18 year olds from churches and youth organisations everywhere. It is open to all streams, networks and denominations and is run by Vineyard Churches UK & Ireland.

Our gatherings are unashamedly all about Jesus. We try and make everything accessible for those with no or little experience of church or youth group and these young people are especially welcome to join us.

DTI is about inspiring and equipping young people to love God, love others and change the world. Our heart is that young people would encounter God at DTI and leave our gatherings knowing His love for them in a deeper way, and be ready to live out their faith back home being part of a local church.

Our programme is always rammed but the thing we're most excited about is seeing what God wants to do over our time together. Every morning and evening we come together as family to worship Jesus, hear some great teaching from the Bible and spend loads of time learning how to pray for each other and hanging out in God's presence.

Outside of the main meetings there's loads of time for the young people to hang out with their friends and make some new ones. They can choose to go along to seminars which cover lots of different topics relating to how young people live out their faith as well as explore cafes, sports, music, films and other fun activities that are going on late into the evening!

WHEN AND WHERE IS IT?

Dreaming the Impossible is held at Staffordshire County Showground starting on Weds 29th July 2026. The main gates will open at midday. Please do not arrive earlier than midday as there are lots of checks we need to complete in order to be ready for midday. The site will be open from 12:00.

We'll gather for our first meeting at 7pm that evening and the last evening meeting is on the evening of 2nd August, with all our venues closing at 11.00pm. Everyone can stay on site and leave the following morning 3rd August. The site needs vacating by 9:30am.

HOW MUCH IS IT?

Prices and booking deadlines

There are several different prices for the event depending on when you book; you can save money by booking in advance. We don't offer any large group discounts as we think it's fairer to offer everyone the opportunity to save money by booking early.

Here's a breakdown of the prices and deadlines for Summer 2026:

	31 Aug 2025	28 Feb 2026	31 May 2026	Final Price
Youth Leaders	£129	£149	£159	£169
12-18's	£129	£149	£159	£169
Kids 0-11's	£60	£60	£60	£60

What's included?

The price includes entry into everything. That means we'll provide enough space for you on the campsite, plus entry into all the main meetings, seminars, sports, films, activities and any other goings on around the site.

There will be food vans & cafes where you can buy drinks and any snacks you fancy. There will also be merch that you and your young people may wish to purchase.

The things you will need to arrange yourself are your transport to and from the event as well as your camping equipment and your food. There's a small shop and a small camping shop on site where you can buy essential camping and food items. There are several large supermarkets in Stafford if you need to do a larger shop. We are happy for you to have food delivered by supermarkets but these need to be within the hours of 11am-3pm.

Power is not included in the price – but we charge a fee to provide you with electric hook-ups if required. These need to be booked prior to arriving at DTI and from the same site you purchased the DTI tickets from.

Holiday insurance isn't compulsory but we're not able to offer refunds after the 30th June 2026 so you may wish to arrange cover in case there is an emergency that means you or your group can't attend.

WHAT IS A GROUP COORDINATOR?

Booking

Whoever is going to be the GC will need to book a ticket first and tick that they are the Group Coordinator for your church/youth group.

A unique code will be generated for your group, which must then be distributed out to your youth group to book on.

By using the unique code to book on, it consolidates the tickets of your group under your church name.

By logging into your account and selecting the 'My Groups' section, you'll be able to monitor the ticket signups to your group and see who has/hasn't yet booked on.

As a Group Coordinator, you also have special permissions, such as the ability to be able to make block bookings of tickets without having to enter individual delegate details at the time; furthermore, you'll have access to purchase any power requirements you may require for your camp.

One of your responsibilities when booking is to ensure that you have enough youth leaders coming to the event to provide adequate supervision for your young people. DTI requires a minimum of 1 youth leader for every 8 young people under 18.

Group Coordinator Emails and Zoom Call

We will be emailing Group Coordinators in the months leading up to DTI so keep an eye out for these as they will have lots of useful details for organising your group.

We will also run a couple of Group Coordinator Zoom calls in early July to share the programme details and give you an opportunity to ask the team any questions that you may have about bringing your group.

If you have a large group and may be looking to split the Group Coordinator role to help manage it all, you may have more than one Group Coordinator listed but **YOU MUST** email us at hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk to let us know so that we can add the relevant permissions on our system.

HOW DO I BOOK?

Head to our website dreamingtheimpossible.org and select Book Now. This will take you through to our ticketing system Solid Rock. You'll be prompted to register an account which you'll keep for every Dreaming the Impossible event you attend.

The Group Coordinator will need to book on first and tick that they are the Group Coordinator for your church / youth group. A unique code will be generated for your group, which can then be distributed out to your youth group to book on. By using the unique code to book on, Group Coordinators will be able to see who from their youth group has signed up. The Group Coordinator should be the leader who will be responsible for the group whilst at DTI. This same code will be used every year.

Adding bookings

You can keep booking more people to your group up until the start of the event. However if DTI sells out, tickets will no longer be added to any group.

Young people or their parents/guardians can also create an account and book a ticket within your group as long as you have shared your group code with them.

Group Coordinators will be able to view all the people who have joined your Group by logging into your user dashboard.

Day Tickets

Day tickets will be available to purchase online unless the event has sold out. Please check the website to see if day tickets are available to avoid disappointment.

Youth groups are welcome to come along for the day, but must adhere to the safeguarding ratio of 1 youth leader to 8 young people. If you are a young person or a youth leader coming to DTI for the day you will need to be linked to your youth group on-site and your youth group must have adequate ratios (1:8). It is the responsibility of the day ticket holder (or their parent/guardian) to inform the relevant group coordinator that you will be joining them.

On arrival all young people/youth leaders joining for the day must be met at the gate by their church's youth leader or group coordinator. Delegates with a full day ticket can arrive on-site from 09:00 and can remain on-site until 23:00 when the program for the day finishes. Evening ticket holders can arrive from 17:00 and remain on-site until 23:00 when the programme for the day finishes.

COMMUNICATION BEFORE THE EVENT

Arrival information

We'll email you from March and right up to before the event starts with your arrival information and lots of important information.

ORGANISING A GROUP

For each ticket holder we will ask for a full name, address and date of birth, emergency contact, and for any medical/ access requirements. We do not need any other information but here are some things we ask you to arrange for yourselves:

DBS for your leaders

Your young people are your responsibility throughout DTI. We maintain a safeguarding policy of 1:8 (one 18+ adult for every eight youth under 18's).

All of your adults coming to DTI will need DBS certificates. You will need to ensure that your Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) or your church Trustees are happy with all of the adults you will be taking to DTI with you.

Risk assessment

You need to have carried out a risk assessment. Your local church should be able to help you with this and in particular your DSL. We have created a list of questions for you to think about. You can access this by following this link
<https://dreamingtheimpossible.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/DTI-Youth-Leader-Risk-Assessment.pdf>

We have provided a copy of the site rules that you can use for your young people to sign up ahead of coming to DTI. These can be found on this link
<https://dreamingtheimpossible.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Site-Rules.pdf>

Contact info

You (the Group Coordinator) are the person we will contact in an emergency. However, you will also need to collate a list of the young people's and leaders emergency contact details and store them somewhere safe so you can contact their parents/carers if needed. It's wise to keep a printed list of mobile numbers in your group in case your phone battery dies.

MEDICAL OR ALLERGY INFORMATION

Although we have a first aid team onsite, any ongoing medical treatment (such as allergy tablets) can be administered by you, as well as basics like plasters and painkillers. We suggest you note down any allergies or medicines taken in case of emergency. The first aid team would be happy to store any medicine for you in their fridge, if that's required. Please pop into first aid at the start of the week and let them know about any potential health problems in your group so they can be prepared.

HOW ACCESSIBLE IS DTI?

We want to make sure everyone who comes to DTI gets as much out of the event as possible.

If you have specific requirements which mean you may need some extra help – for example, you may need BSL interpretation of meetings or accessible showers and loos – please let us know by noting this in the additional requirements box on your online booking form, and by getting in touch with us at: hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk

Blue Badge holders

If you are a Blue Badge holder and will need to use your car once on site, please email us at hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk to let us know.

Access to venues

The main venue and seminar venues have level access. Neurodiverse delegates who require a space in the sensory tent, wheelchair users and visually impaired delegates can enter the main venue 10 minutes before other delegates via the side doors. Please ask a member of the host team for access when you arrive at the venue.

Accessible toilets/showers

Accessible toilets and showers are available on site and where possible we will try and ensure that you are camped in a village with close proximity to them.

Induction loops

There are induction loops in place in the Main Venue.

Carer Ticket

If you require a carer ticket please email us at hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk

ADDITIONAL NEEDS

We really want to make everybody feel welcome at DTI. We have a variety of offerings to help your young people to get the most out of DTI.

Sensory HQ

Sensory HQ is a dedicated room if you need a quiet, supportive place to reset. Inside Sensory HQ you'll find a quiet space to help you regulate, including blackout sensory tents, sensory lamps, bean bags, cosy rugs, weighted blankets, fidget toys, swivel chairs, calming activities and support from the Additional Needs Team. This is open 1-4pm and 9-10:30pm.

Sensory Space (Main Meetings)

We want everybody to enjoy the main meeting and engage with what is going on. The main meetings can be busy and noisy, which can be tough if you have sensory needs. That's why we've set up the Sensory Space! You'll find big gazebos filled with sensory equipment like ear defenders, fidget toys, and blackout sensory tents. This is a place where you can feel safe and secure whilst being able to engage with the main meetings.

If anyone in your group has Dyspraxia, we recommend that your youth group bring a posture-supporting bean bag (we have a few spare). These aren't allowed in the main areas, but you can use them near the Sensory Space. It's also a great idea to bring your groups own ear defenders or loop ear plugs. Again, we do have a limited number of these in the Sensory Space.

There's also direct access to the nearby prayer room, with a live video link, so you can watch and take part in the meeting in a quieter, less crowded space. The Sensory Space is hosted by the friendly DTI Additional Needs Team. Specially trained members of the Equip Prayer Team will also be there should your youth want to receive prayer.

If anyone in your group needs a quieter place to engage with the main meetings, you will find a smaller Sensory Space at the entrance to the Dream Cafe. Members of the Additional Needs team will be there, along with some sensory equipment to help you feel calm and regulated during the main meetings.

Map

We've created a special map which shows the locations of places your youth can regulate and get support. These include Sensory HQ, Sensory Space, Regulation Stations, The Chat Room (where you can talk to someone about how you're feeling). Look for the DTI Sunflower Logo on the map and on signs — it marks spaces designed to support you.

Sunflower Lanyards

We also offer an optional DTI Sunflower Lanyard for anyone with additional needs. These lanyards come with the map and all the important information, so you always know where to find help. They let the DTI team know you may need extra support, especially if you're feeling overwhelmed. They could also be helpful if you struggle with your mental health. The lanyard design is subtle and blends in with the event. We would encourage you to wear one but it is your choice.

KIT LIST

Whilst group sizes vary hugely, there are some basics that you almost always need for camping. We have included a kit list as a guide in the appendices of this handbook. We advise you not to bring any valuables as tents can't be secured; anything you do bring is entirely at your own risk.

TENT HIRE

We have partnered with an external company, Nine Yards Bell Tents, who offer glamping tents for hire. Please note these are not your standard camping tents you can purchase in a camping shop or supermarket.

You can choose between a furnished and unfurnished tent.

- **Furnished:** Real beds with winter tog duvets, 2 pillows per person, and throws for extra warmth. Each tent also includes matting throughout, a solar lantern, a small table, a full length mirror, coat hangers, a clothes drying rack, and a wastepaper basket, all designed for your comfort.
- **Unfurnished:** Just matting on the floor, so make sure to bring your own bedding! Your tent will be pitched on the campsite your church is allocated to. When you receive your booking confirmation, please reply with the name of your church group so they know where your tent will need to go.

If this sounds ideal to you, you can find out more information on their website: www.nineyardsbelltents.co.uk/dreaming-the-impossible

MARQUEES

If you think your group would benefit from a central hub space for food and meeting together then you may want to bring a large gazebo or if your group is big enough you may want to hire a marquee. Our recommended marquee supplier is Marquee Hire West Midlands & Birmingham. Please email them at countymarquees@hotmail.co.uk for any enquiries you may have.

FOOD

Food is a subject close to many of our hearts, and of course is a necessity to a happy and healthy group at DTI!

There is a small onsite shop for all your essentials including bread, milk and batteries and there are numerous supermarkets such as Asda, Sainsburys, Tesco, Aldi in Stafford all within a 10-minute drive.

If you aren't able to go offsite and buy food we have a range of food vans in our food court that will be supplying fast food such as pizzas, noodles, chicken wings, crepes, donuts and burgers throughout DTI. But of course, eating from food vans for a whole week isn't necessarily ideal.

Alternatively, we are happy for you to order online food deliveries to the showground. Deliveries will be able to come as far as the main gate. They will call you when they arrive so please give them your name, camping zone and mobile number. When they arrive please be ready to meet them at the main gate as we can't accept deliveries on your behalf.

Throughout DTI the Group Coordinator or a nominated leader needs to be responsible for food safety. This includes storing food at the correct temperature, probing food to make sure it is thoroughly cooked and ensuring that leftovers are disposed of properly. We offer a reduced cooks ticket for those members of your group whose sole role at DTI is to cook for your group. The Cook's ticket will give them access to the site and the main evening meeting each day. If you would like a link to this ticket please email us at hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk

When planning catering for your group, you'll need to consider the following:

- How food will be cooked
- How food will be stored
- How to keep everything clean and safe

All cooking appliances **MUST** be gas powered. We're sorry, but the power infrastructure of the Showground is not sufficient for everyone to plug in electrical cooking equipment. Some groups choose to hire equipment for the week (if you are doing this, you will need to be onsite for when it is delivered and collected) whilst others choose to purchase it, as they know they will use it annually or even for other purposes. Any tent/marquee being used for cooking must be designated so, and will need to be pitched 3m away from anything else and have no/detachable sides.

Some helpful ideas of equipment are:

- Gas hobs: many groups use purely these to cater for their group for the week. If you are primarily cooking on hobs your menu may include Chilis, Curries, Bolognese, Pasta Dishes, Sweet & Sour.
- Gas ovens: some groups choose to bring/hire a gas oven which also has hobs on top. This could extend your menu options to include Jacket Potatoes, Pies and, if you're feeling brave, a Roast Dinner!
- Gas boilers/urns: possibly one of the most essential, is an easy way to boil water and even keep it hot, if nothing else so you can have a well earned cup of tea after looking after your young people all day!
- Gas fridges: whilst we provide the option to purchase power and a space in your Zone Tent to bring an electrical fridge and/or freezer, gas fridges can be a great idea to keep some essentials like milk in so they are easily accessible.
- Gas bottles: don't forget to check what type of gas bottles you need, and to bring/ arrange delivery of them too.

Our Health & Safety team are more than happy to check and even help with the installation of gas appliances onsite, just ask your Zone Host.

It's really important to make sure that food is cooked, stored and cleared away well to avoid people getting ill. It would be a good idea for those responsible for catering for your group take a Level 2 Food Hygiene Certificate in advance of coming to site to learn some of the basics of cooking and storing food safely, there are lots of providers online, the course takes only a few hours and can cost as little as £25, plus once you have done it you don't have to keep doing it.

You'll also need to consider the equipment to bring for washing up and cleaning down surfaces etc. Household cleaners etc. are perfectly acceptable.

We recommend everybody washes their hands AND uses hand sanitiser before coming in for their dinner: this is a proven way to stop the spread of illnesses such as D&V.

GENERATORS & ELECTRICAL HOOK-UPS

Unfortunately, we do not allow generators to be brought onto site under any circumstances due to warnings from fire safety authorities about their safety.

We offer the installation of electrical hook-ups for the week for a cost of £220. Priority will go to people with a medical or physical assistance need, such as powering mobility equipment. Electric hook-ups can be purchased by the group leader when booking onto DTI via the ticketing system.

WIFI

Wifi is provided for Group Coordinators only. This is due to the demand and very poor coverage throughout the showground despite huge investment by DTI to increase this.

There will be a code that changes every day and will be available from the campsite hosts of your camping village. We do ask that this does not get shared with your young people and only youth leaders if they need to access something online urgently. This is because the coverage will crash if there are too many users.

It is also worth noting that experience shows us that EE provides a better network coverage than any other network provider.

If there is a need for you to get wifi for a food order or a task that is being happened by poor coverage please go to the Info desk in the main meeting venue where we can assist you with a phone and data.

TRANSPORT

Dreaming the Impossible is held at Staffordshire County Showground in Stafford.

The address for the showground is:

Staffordshire Showground
Weston Road
Stafford
ST18 0BD

We are unable to provide any transport, so you'll need to arrange your own travel to and from the event.

Travel by Car

Staffordshire County Showground is situated on the main A518 Stafford to Uttoxeter road, two miles from Stafford and five miles from junction 14 of the M6 motorway. Drivers from either the north or south using the M6 should exit at junction 14 and follow the signs for the County Showground.

Travel by Train

If you are arriving by train the closest station is Stafford Railway Station, approx 4 miles from the showground.

Travel by Bus

The 841 bus going towards Uttoxeter, can be caught from the at Mill bank, a short 5 min walk from the station, and will take you to the showground.

WHILST AT DTI

Camping Zones

The campsite is divided into 4 coloured villages: red, blue, pink and green, and each youth group is allocated to one of these villages. Each camping area has a central marquee or Hub where your Campsite Hosts can be located from 08:00-23:30 each day throughout DTI. The Campsite Hosts are there to ensure you have the best time at DTI and will be on hand to help with all the practicalities from setup to set down and will be able to answer your questions throughout the week.

We assign space based on the number of tents you are bringing. Whilst there is no limit on the number of tents that you can bring, we do ask you to be accurate in what you tell us so that we can fit everyone on site. Keep your camping info updated by logging into your online account. Please be considerate of other groups and only bring what you need. We will send you a form to complete in May. You will find out in early July which campsite your group have been allocated.

When you arrive, your Campsite Hosts will welcome you and show you where to camp. They will help to ensure that your camping area meets fire safety regulations, and that your youth group has everything that they need throughout the week. You'll need to make sure everyone in your group brings something to sleep in!

The campsite is well equipped with hard standing toilet blocks, mobile shower/toilet units, water and waste points and fire points. These are well spread out throughout the campsite, so no-one should ever have to travel too far. There are also a number of accessible toilets and showers: so please do let us know if someone in your group would benefit from us allocating a site nearer to these.

Camping is allocated as far as possible on a regional basis, so where possible youth groups from the same towns and cities will be camped together. If you would like to camp with a youth group from another region or your group has other needs we may be able to accommodate this. Please email hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk and we will see if this is an option.

Car parking

When you arrive, you can drive your car or minibus to your campsite but you will need to unload your vehicle and return it to one of the car parks immediately. After the first day, vehicles will not be permitted on site. Please be aware that it is a working showground, so some areas of the site are not accessible by larger vehicles such as coaches or vans. If you are arriving by coach, you must notify us in advance so we can make sure your camping area is accessible for you.

When can I arrive?

All delegates may arrive from 12:00 Saturday 29th July 2026. We will be unable to let any youth groups onto the site before this time due to final safety checks and site preparations. Any groups arriving before this time will be directed towards the carpark and will be unable to access any of the sites facilities.

You are welcome to bring additional team to get your campsite setup as we appreciate this can take a while!

Marquees & other deliveries

If you're arranging to have a marquee, catering equipment or anything else delivered to the site, please arrange delivery times so you'll be on site to receive the items. Please also do email us to inform us too so we can know when we can expect items to arrive.

Smoking

Smoking is not permitted at any time inside buildings, marquees, individual tents and along the concourse.

SAFETY

At the gate

The showground's main gate is staffed by our own team, who take care to ensure those under 18 remain on site unless accompanied by an adult, as well as ensuring those arriving on site during the week do so legitimately. The team also ensures traffic moves safely around site on arrival and departure days, and keeps a watchful eye on the car parks

In an emergency

We will provide First Aid cover on site. And, of course, we make sure all sporting activities are carefully supervised with appropriate safety equipment - we complete full risk assessments for every area of DTI.

We will have an emergency phone number printed on everyone's wristband which will direct you straight to our team who will be able to assist.

Child protection

We have a dedicated Safeguarding Team on site, whose role is to be available for advice, both for young people, their supervising adults and team. All our team are trained on and must adhere to the VCUKI Child Protection Policy. In addition, every team member must provide a reference of their suitability to serve from their church leader.

PROGRAMME

When you arrive you will receive a programme for the week with all the important information you need! It will include info about the venues, a timetable and descriptions for the seminars, site maps, speaker bios and loads of other useful information.

Main meetings

The main meetings begin on Wednesday evening. Every morning and evening we come together as family to worship Jesus, hear some great teaching from the Bible and spend loads of time learning how to pray for each other and hanging out in God's presence.

Worship – Worship is a key part of our faith and is central to all that we do at DTI. We gather together as one family to sing and praise God. Worship allows us to draw closer to Jesus and press into a more intimate relationship with him.

Teaching – During each meeting, we make time to look at God's word together and hear from a speaker who will help us apply what we read in the Bible to the things that are happening in our lives and in the world around us. We try and make the talks fun so that they are easy to listen to and engage with as we want to inspire and equip young people.

Ministry – During ministry times we ask the Holy Spirit to come and meet with us. We believe that the Holy Spirit is with us always but by asking him to come we ask for him to fall on us and for a fresh anointing of his presence. We believe that in ministry times God can heal us, set us free, and reveal more of himself to us. Susie and the team will talk you and your young people through what is going to happen from the front. Throughout the week in these ministry times there will be a few opportunities for the young people to give their lives to Jesus.

Seminars

Every day we have a jam-packed schedule of seminars. These are focused on a particular topic, covering all sorts of subjects such as praying for people, worship, reading the Bible, mission, being bold, and being set free from pain. Feel free to head along to as many of these as you like and encourage your young people to do the same. Some groups gather together each morning and look at what seminars are coming up that day. People are often more motivated to go when they know others are going too and it might be that you/some of your leaders can take groups to seminars you think would be of particular interest.

Afternoons & Evenings

As well as seminars, there is a tonne of other stuff going on to fill the afternoons and evenings. We have cafés, sports venues, fun activities and a whole range of seminars that you and your young people can attend.

We really encourage you and your young people to get as involved as you can whilst at Dreaming the Impossible. Engage in the worship, take notes during the talks, go along to seminars, make friends and pray for people.

If there is anything you are not sure about or think we could do better, then come to Info and let us know - we would love to know what you think!

It's always wise to plan some time out for yourself and your other group leaders each day. Check in on each other and try and have coffee together to keep a sense of team spirit – whilst it can be exhilarating seeing young people meet with Jesus, it can also be exhausting being surrounded by teenagers for five days!

We have a Youth Leaders Lounge that is dedicated for you and your leaders to take some time out in the afternoons as needed.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Equip

We believe that everyone gets to play, and that God empowers all of us to pray for each other and so we want to do our very best to empower the young people and youth leaders to pray for each other. To help facilitate this and make sure it is a safe environment for everyone we have an equip team. Our equip team is made up of people with experience in praying for people and they are there to support you and your youth group to pray. They are mainly in the main meetings but also pop along to some seminars. They will walk around during the main meetings making sure everyone is alright and may occasionally offer suggestions. They will be identifiable by their badges which say 'Equip' on them.

Chat Room

We have a brilliant team of people who are on hand to chat during the afternoons and evenings. We point people towards the Chat Room if there's anything - big or small - that they'd like to discuss with someone who is outside of their situation. We offer prayer but this is not a counselling service. It is run alongside our Connect team (detailed below) who will step in if there is an issue that requires professional and/or ongoing support.

Connect

Sometimes information is disclosed in the Chat Room or during a ministry time that requires us to take more serious action. Our Connect team is made up of professional counsellors, social workers, teachers and other professionals that are knowledgeable in safeguarding procedures. They are there to support anyone onsite but mainly to make sure the correct action is taken to ensure that the young person is taken care of when they leave the event, whether that is by you or by your local services. The Connect team will liaise with you as the group leader of any young person they are in contact with.

First Aid

We have a first aid team who are on call 24/7 in case of emergency. They are a mix of doctors, nurses and first aid trained professionals.

Any ongoing medical treatment (such as allergy tablets) can be administered by you, as well as basics like plasters and painkillers. We suggest you note down any allergies or medicines taken in case of emergency.

DIARRHOEA AND VOMITING

If any of your young people are showing signs of diarrhoea or vomiting, we ask that you leave them in their tents and call for the first aid team to come to you to reduce the risk of it spreading. Do not bring any youth or leaders with you who have had diarrhoea and/or vomiting in the past 48 hours. They need to be 48 hrs clear before they can come to DTI to prevent a wild spread of illness throughout DTI.

HELPFUL INFO

Phone charging

Phone charging points can be found in the Dream café on site and will be available when the café is open. You just need to bring a USB -A charger cable along with you and you'll be able to plug in and keep your phone alive!

Ice pack exchange

You can swap your warm ice packs for frozen ones onsite each day – check the programme for time slots in the mornings and afternoons. Swaps are free or you can buy new ones.

Getting cash

We suggest you and your young people bring some cash with you. There are no cash points on site. The closest cash points are a short drive away at Asda.

Gas

You can buy gas canisters or replace yours for a fee in the Warehouse which will be open in the afternoons and evenings in our camping shop.

Toilets & showers

We provide significantly more than the required minimum of toilets and showers for the number of people camping onsite but if you want to shower at peak times, you may have to wait. We suggest showering in the afternoon or evening to help keep queuing to a minimum. We have a cleaning crew working throughout the day to keep things nice but depending on the weather, there may be a bit of mud. If you spot any problems with showers or toilets, please report them to the Info desk.

Dream Kids

There is a great Dream Kid's programme setup for our 0-11's each morning. Check in opens at 10:30 and the session will run from 11:00-13:00. There will be an evening session for 5-11's. Check in will open at 18:30 and the session will run until 21:00.

Baby bathing

Baby bathing will be available each evening and we'll provide baths and warm water. Please see the programme/site map for more details.

DEPARTURE

Sunday 02 August is a full day, with all the usual meetings, seminars, cafes and evening entertainment. The venues will close at 11.00pm. We'd love everyone to stay on site and leave the following morning; Monday 03 August. Please make sure you're all packed up and on your way by 9:30am. You can bring your car to your village to pack up from 7am. If you do need to leave on the Sunday evening then your campsite host will let you know what time your car will be allowed on site. Once you've packed up please move your car back to the car park straight away.

AFTER THE EVENT

Testimonies

We love hearing how God is meeting with people at Dreaming the Impossible and anyone who wants to share a story with us can do that by heading to our website or fill in a stories form that will be available in our main meetings.

Resources

We provide a whole load of resources to help encourage and support young people in their walk with God, including those on our website www.dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk/resources.

PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEOGRAPHY

We have photographers and videographers on site taking pictures and video for future publicity. They will be wearing a 'Media' lanyard for identification. Please be assured that any video shot during ministry times will be handled with the greatest sensitivity in order to respect everyone's privacy. By attending DTI, delegates agree that their image may be captured and used by DTI, VCUKI, and our trusted partners. This may be in photographs or other digital media and may be used for promotional materials or other information which we produce.

Delegates can opt out of this by speaking to the photographer or asking us to remove their image by contacting the DTI media team during or after the event via our website. You can also inform your Campsite hosts who will pass on your request.

DISCLAIMER

This is intended to be a helpful and accurate guide for the event, but please note that some details relating to the event may be changed from the information in the handbook.

APPENDIX A – IMPORTANT INFO & CONSENT FORM

I confirm that the above details are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and consent to my child attending Dreaming the Impossible.

In the unlikely event of illness or accident I give my permission for any necessary medical treatments to be given by the first aid team. In an emergency and if I cannot be contacted, I am willing for my child to receive hospital treatment, including anaesthetic and a blood transfusion if necessary. I understand that every effort will be made to contact me as soon as possible.

Parent/Guardian

Signature:

Date:

APPENDIX B – SITE RULES CONTRACT

This is an optional contract to make your young people aware of the relevant site rules. This does not need to be sent to us but can be kept for your records. There will be a full list of rules in the programme. If you have any questions about rules please contact hello@dreamingtheimpossible.org.uk

Because we have so many young people on site at one time, we feel it's appropriate to have certain rules that we ask our delegates to abide by. Here's a quick overview. We reserve the right to ask people to leave site if they are not in compliance with the following rules (copies of the site rules will need to be given to everyone in your group).

- Youth Leaders are responsible for their under 18's at all times.
- Use your brain! Don't go off with strangers, don't arrange to meet anyone in dark corners of the site, and at night make sure you go to your own bed (sleep walking is not a great excuse!).
- No mixed tent/caravan/accommodation on site i.e. No boys and girls sleeping in the same space unless married.
- Strictly no alcohol, drugs or drug paraphernalia on site - except for medical purposes.
- Anyone found in possession of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave.
- Smoking is not permitted inside buildings, marquees or individual tents.
- Go to sleep! The site must be silent from 00.30.
- Respect the property and buildings on the showground.
- No crossing into any area that has been marked out of bounds.
- DTI cannot be held responsible for loss or damage to persons or personal property.
- Store gas cylinders away from tents.
- Event wristbands must be worn at all times - they are the only way to get into venues.

I agree to follow the site rules of Dreaming the Impossible and my youth group/leaders.

Signed:

Date:

APPENDIX C – KIT LIST

Shared area

- Marquee/gazebo/shared area for eating together. Please bear in mind that other groups will be sharing your village so you won't be able to spread out too much!
- Camping chairs
- Folding tables
- Solar powered or electric lanterns – please don't use gas inside tents!

Tents & sleeping

Tents should be fully waterproof and sturdy, able to withstand the glorious British summer weather! This means an in-tact, attached ground sheet and waterproof lining. Avoid flimsy pop-up tents designed for one use at festivals – they give in to the wind and rain very quickly!

- Tent for female leaders
- Tent for male leaders
- Tents for male youth
- Tents for female youth
- Sleeping bags (bring a few spares and keep them in the car!)
- Roll mats/camping bed/air bed to sleep on
- Tent pegs (bring spares!)
- Rope/guide rope (for weather proofing tents if windy)
- Mallets

Kitchen

- Cool box or fridge
- Ice blocks (you can exchange them for frozen ones each day on site)
- Washing up rack
- Calor gas canister (you can exchange these for a fee at the site gas shop)
- Connecting tube and clamps/clips to secure to your cooker
- Camping stove
- Lighters
- Washing up bowls
- Water bottles (large ones for drinking water)
- Tables
- Tea towels
- Kitchen roll
- Black bin bags for general waste
- Washing up cloths & scourers
- Cooking pots
- Frying pans
- Utensils (spoons, ladles, spatulas, tongs)
- Washing up liquid
- Kettle

Kit list for your youth

- Tent (with poles & pegs) or arrange to share with your friends (in single sex tents!)
- Air bed, camping bed or roll mat
- Sleeping bag (or a duvet and sheet to fit your air bed)
- Pillow & pillowcase
- Phone charger
- Plate & cutlery for meal times

- Tea towel
- Torch (with spare batteries)
- Bible & notebook
- Toiletries & towel
- Toilet roll (we try to ensure this is replenished in the toilets as quickly as we can but it's good to have some with you just in case)
- Warm clothes – enough for a week
- Underwear & socks – enough for a week
- Two pairs of trainers/shoes (in case one gets wet/muddy)
- Waterproof jacket & trousers
- Wellies and thick socks
- Money to spend on merch, food and bookshop
- Waterbottle
- Eating utensils

