**Accessibility Statement Hidden Beach**

We are committed to making the Hidden Beach Festival as accessible and inclusive as possible. We recognise we still have a way to go on our journey to be truly accessible and representative of the diverse range of people we hope to experience Hidden Beach, but these are some of the measures we started to put in place. You can also download this information in a large print version here…

**Site access**

The main entrance into the festival will be on the south side of the Oval. The entrance is directly adjacent to the Falaise Road car park where there are 5 accessible Blue Badge spaces.

If you use a mobility scooter or wheelchair please note the site is grass with some areas that are quite uneven. There are no tarmac paths or paving areas on the site.

If you have difficulty standing for long periods of time there will be some seating (in the form of hay bales) but we welcome you to bring your own folding chairs. Please note this is only something we offer for those with mobility impairments or health conditions that relate to fatigue.

**Toilets**

Accessible toilets will be stationed at close proximity to the entrance to the site.

**Viewing**

On this occasion there will not be a viewing platform, but there will be options to see the stage from a variety of places on the grass.

**Tickets**

Personal Assistant (PA) tickets are provided so that customers who are unable to independently attend the festival can bring along someone who can provide the support needed at no extra cost. For that reason, we advise that your Personal Assistant must be able to carry out all support roles required.

If you are attending our event with your Personal Assistant and would like to obtain a free PA ticket, we ask you to supply one of the following forms of supporting documentation:

– Front page of PIP
– Front page of DLA
– Deaf or Blind Registration
– CredAbility Access Card

You can send us your supporting documentation: emailing a scan or photo to info@thehiddenbeach.co.uk

If you need to leave the festival and return later in the day, you and your PA will be able to do so, but you will need to explain to our stewards why you are doing so.

**Programming**

This year we are not programming any BSL interpretation and we don’t have any bands or artists who identify as Deaf or disabled, however, as the festival grows this is an ambition we have for the future, to represent the diverse talent that we know is out there.