Initial Planning template

Keep a record of the group's initial planning stage to submit with your assessment as evidence. You may modify this in any way to suit your purposes, just make sure the evidence you submit at the end of the project will still meet the assessment criteria.

Project Name	
Project organiser	
Project overview Briefly describe project, event or activity group has decided to plan and implement. • What it is? • When and where? • Who is involved?	
Reason Briefly explain why participants selected this particular project, event or activity.	
Background List limitations you put on the scope of the project (participants select a project within the limits you impose). Also, any reasons for imposing limitations — participant age or capability, organisation or legal restrictions, etc.	
Stakeholders	High impact stakeholders
List stakeholders impacted by the participant selected project. Put into three impact groups – high impact, medium impact,	
low impact	Medium impact stakeholders
	Low impact stakeholders

	Any stakeholders with special needs or situations			
	Any stakeholders who must give permission for project to happen			
Resources List the resources group				
would need to carry out				
project, can include:				
moneyequipment				
materials				
• people				
expertiselocations or venues				
• transport				
• time				
any other resources				
Risks	Health and safety			
List any initial and obvious				
risks to the project under these categories.				
	Money – costs, etc.			
	Schedule – time, limitations, etc.			
	Conditions – weather, venues, etc.			

	People Any other potential risks
Overall objective and SMART goals List overall objective for the project (participants' perspective) and the SMART goals created by the participants.	
Roles and expectations List roles and their expectations as determined by the participants.	
General expectations List of expectations that apply to everyone as created or cocreated with the participants.	
Your role Define your role in the project and what the participants can expect from you.	

Milestones and timeframes
List milestones identified at
this stage of the planning.
<u>Useful resource</u>
Download the Four-week
project timeline from
Microsoft in Excel. This
template is a simple
overview of the timeline
that you can update as you
get more information.
Change text in the template
to suit your purposes.
Four week project timeline
(office.com)
Other
List any other decisions
made as part of initial
planning specific to your
context or to this project.

Document control

Note and date changes here to have one master copy of your initial planning document that you can update as you go through the project planning process.

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