

Confirmation of Body of Persons Approval (BOPA) exemption

Norfolk County Council hereby confirm **Andrew Blaxter** has been granted a performance licence Body of Persons Approval (BOPA) exemption as set out in [Children and Young Persons Act 1963](#). This exemption has been granted under the following conditions;

- No school absence is required
- No payment in respect of the child(ren) taking part in the performance is made to the child(ren) or another person (other than expenses)
- **Andrew Blaxter** will ensure full compliance with the [Children \(Performances and Activities\) \(England\) Regulations 2014](#)
- The child(ren) must be supervised by their parent, an Enhanced with Childrens Barred List DBS checked adult supervisor, or a licenced chaperone at all times. Those supervising must not perform any other duties whilst chaperoning the child.
- The child(ren) must only perform/rehearse within the hours permitted under the [Children \(Performances and Activities\) \(England\) Regulations 2014](#), and also be afforded as a minimum the breaks stipulated in these regulations for meals and rest. These regulations include, but are not limited to;
 - **Children Under 5:** Must not be present for more than 5 hours per day, Between 7am - 10pm. Maximum continuous performance or rehearsal 30 mins, total performance or rehearsal 2 hours.
 - **Children Aged 5-8:** Must not be present for more than 8 hours per day, Between 7am - 11pm. Maximum continuous performance or rehearsal 2.5 hours, total performance or rehearsal 3 hours.
 - **Children Aged 9 and over:** Must not be present for more than 9.5 hours per day, Between 7am - 11pm. Maximum continuous performance or rehearsal 2.5 hours, total performance or rehearsal 5 hours.
 - A child must not perform/rehearse on more than 6 consecutive days
- The licence holder shall keep the records detailed under [Schedule 3 of the Children \(Performances and Activities\) \(England\) Regulations 2014](#) and make these available for inspection as required.
- The health and safety of the child(ren) is paramount at all times
- Adequate changing and toilet facilities are provided
- Please ensure this document is available during the performance(s) and rehearsals in the event of an inspection by the Local Authority (LA) and that approved chaperones that are on duty have their Licence with them.
- This BOPA can be revoked if the organisation fails to meet the agreed conditions or if the LA has concerns about the safety and wellbeing of the children involved.

The performances / activity in respect of which a performance licence Body of Persons exemption has been confirmed;

Organisation: **Spixworth Amateur Players**

Title: **Dame Cassidy and the Sundance Kid Pantomime**

Type: **Stage Performance**

Location: **Spixworth Village Hall, Crostwick Lane, Norwich, NR10 3NQ**

Date(s) and Time(s): **14th February 2026 10am-12:30pm and 4pm-6pm. 15th February 2026 2pm-4:30pm. 20th February 2026 7:30pm-10pm. 21st February 2026 4pm-6:30pm.**



Signed:

Dated: **30/01/2026**

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