



CRONDALL VILLAGE HALL

Vulnerable Persons Policy Statement

Crondall Village Hall is run by a voluntary management Committee

All Crondall Village Hall Committee members and hirers have a duty to safeguard vulnerable users of the hall and its grounds and those who may come into contact with vulnerable users. Vulnerable users could include: children, young people, adults with learning difficulties or physical disability, frail, elderly people and carers.

They should respond to any concerns they may have regarding the physical, sexual, emotional or psychological safety of a vulnerable person or concerns relating to discriminatory or financial violation or exploitation of a vulnerable person. This Policy is in place to protect all vulnerable persons regardless of gender, ethnicity, disability, sexuality, religion or faith.

Principle

The welfare of a young person or vulnerable adult is paramount and is the responsibility of everyone including The Hirer. All children and vulnerable adults, without exception, have the right to protection from abuse, whether physical, verbal, sexual, bullying, exclusion or neglect.

Policy statement

No member of the Trustees, committee member or volunteer will have unsupervised access to vulnerable persons unless they have been through vulnerable adult's protection training. All suspicions or allegations of abuse against a vulnerable adult will be taken seriously and dealt with speedily and appropriately.

All Committee members, volunteers and hirers need to be aware of this policy

There shall be a nominated and named Vulnerable Users representative to who all suspicions or concerns should be reported. This person is the Chairperson of the Management Committee. This person is Sheila Lambert.

The management Committee will endeavour to keep the premises safe for use by children and vulnerable adults. The Committee recognises that a higher standard of safety is required where use is made by people who cannot read safety notices and disabled adults.

Any organisation or individual hiring the Hall for the purposes of holding activities where Ofsted registration is required should show their registration and their own protection policy.

The Committee will ensure that hirers are made aware of their obligations under the Licensing Act 2003 to ensure that alcohol is not sold to those under the age of 18. The Committee will ensure that hirers are aware that no children may be admitted to films when they are below the age classification for the film or show. No gambling or entertainment of an adult or sexual nature shall be permitted on the premises.

These policies and procedures will be reviewed annually and updated as appropriate in the interim periods.