

Vulnerable Adults and Children Safeguarding policy

Pavenham Village Hall and Playing Field Charity Management Committee (the Committee) acknowledges a duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of vulnerable adults and children and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice.

The Committee does not deal with children, young people and adults at risk directly but expects hirers of the Hall to observe and comply with the requirements of the Children Act 1989 and 2004, the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006 and any subsequent legislation and this is stipulated in the hall hiring agreement.

This policy recognises that the welfare and interests of vulnerable adults and children are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that all vulnerable adults and children:

- have a positive and enjoyable experience of attending events at Pavenham Village Hall in a safe environment
- are protected from abuse whilst attending events.

Pavenham Village Hall and Playing Field Charity Management Committee acknowledges that some vulnerable adults and children, including disabled adults or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse. We expect and require hiring organisations to comply with their organisation's Safeguarding Policy and the law.

Procedure

If anyone has a concern concerning safeguarding at the event, they should contact the event organiser who should investigate the issue and take any necessary action.

If urgent, Integrated Front Door (previously MASH Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub) can be contacted on 01234 718700 (out of hours Emergency Duty Team [EDT] on 0300 300 8123).

Review

This Safeguarding Policy & Procedure will be reviewed annually.

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