

## **SUCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Safeguarding Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults Policy**

Everyone has a duty to safeguard children, young people and vulnerable adults. Suckley Parish Council is therefore committed to maintaining the welfare of people whilst they are using Parish Council facilities.

This policy applies to:-

- 1) Anyone working for or on behalf of the Parish Council whether in a paid, voluntary or commissioned capacity, or
- 2) Any individual or organisation hiring the Parish Council facilities for the purpose of delivering any service to children, young people or vulnerable adults or
- 3) Anyone using the facilities provided by the Parish Council

Suckley Parish Council has no specific person, either Councillors or staff members who are involved in the care of children or adults at their facilities, but will ensure that, should a concern arise, the correct procedures related to this policy are followed.

#### **Definitions:**

Children and young people, under the age of 18 years.

Vulnerable Adult, over the age of 18.

    Unable to care for themselves

    Unable to protect themselves from significant harm or exploitation

    Or may be in need of community care service

#### **Safe Environment**

In order to provide a safe environment for children, young people and vulnerable adults, Suckley Parish Council will:

Provide safe facilities and ensure regular safety assessments are undertaken

Ensure that employees, councillors and leaders of activities using parish council facilities , are aware of safeguarding expectations.

**Hire of facilities to groups for use with children, young people or vulnerable adults.**

Suckley Parish Council may from time to time hire out any of its facilities. However, should such an occasion arise then we will require any group using its facilities to:-

- Have public liability insurance
- Have a suitable safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults policy
- Ensure leaders have valid enhanced (DBS) checks as appropriate
- Complete a risk assessment for individual activities

**Code of conduct for all users of parish councils facilities**

- Treat each other with respect
- Show consideration for other groups using the facility
- Show consideration for local residents
- Treat the facilities provided with due care and respect
- Provide an example of good conduct you wish others to follow
- Refrain from any behaviour that involves racism, sexism and bullying

Report any instances of such behaviour to group leaders, Parish Councillors, the Parish Clerk or parents and carers, as appropriate. Contact details, Clerk to the Parish Council, email [suckleypcclerk@hotmail.com](mailto:suckleypcclerk@hotmail.com), contact telephone number 07943 418262