

PAKENHAM VILLAGE HALL AND PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION

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CHILD AND VULNERABLE ADULTS' PROTECTION POLICY

The Trustees and Management Committee of Pakenham Village Hall & Playing Fields Association (PVH PFA) believe that every young person and vulnerable adult, regardless of age or circumstance, has a right to be protected from harm and to feel safe and respected.

PVH & PFA WILL:

- Make certain that any activities organised by hirers using facilities provided by PVH & PFA involving young people and vulnerable adults provide an environment where they feel secure and valued.
- Require any regular or commercial hirer who has contact with children and vulnerable adults to have their own child protection policy and procedures in place.
- Make certain that clear procedures are in place whereby signs of abuse can be recognised and appropriate actions taken.
- Make certain that procedures are in place for the protection of persons associated with PVH & PFA who are in contact with young people and vulnerable adults.

PVH & PFA UNDERTAKES TO:

- Display this notice prominently, including the name and details of the Trustees who should be contacted if there are any concerns.
- Make certain that policies and procedures relating to child and vulnerable adult issues are in place for PVH & PFA and in groups that children and vulnerable adults not accompanied by their parents/carers may attend.
- Where appropriate, remind hirers of their obligations and responsibilities and the need for them to have effective protection policies in place.
- Follow guidelines laid down by any relevant bodies with regard to supporting young people and vulnerable adults, and the recording and reporting of incidents.
- Report to the authorities, where appropriate, relevant incidents or accusations and to cooperate fully with any subsequent investigation.
- This Child and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy will be reviewed every 2 years
- It will also be updated to comply with any relevant legislative changes.
- PLEASE CONTACT the Chairman, Paul Harris if there are any concerns about protection issues.

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