



Chilham Parish Recreation Ground Trust. Registered Charity No 302714



SAFEGUARDING POLICY

CPRGT IS COMMITTED TO THE HEALTH, WELL BEING AND SAFETY OF ALL CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE UNDER THE AGE OF 18 AND VULNERABLE ADULTS WHO ARE EITHER VOLUNTEERING/ WORKING IN OR VISITING THE RECREATION GROUND AND SPORTS CENTRE (the Site).

CPRGT is a registered charity, has no employees and is run entirely by volunteers. The premises are unmanned.

None of the activities of the CPRGT involves any committee member coming into direct contact with children or vulnerable adults. However, all committee members are asked to remember that it is their responsibility to ensure that:

- Their behaviour is appropriate at all times
- They observe the rules established for the safety and security of young and vulnerable people
- They follow the procedures in the event of suspicion, disclosure or allegation of abuse
- They recognise the position of trust in which they have been placed

In the event of their being approached by a member of the public, young person, child, or vulnerable adult on any matter concerning any person visiting the Site, a Code of Behaviour is detailed below and it is essential that committee members adhere to it.

CODE OF BEHAVIOUR

- Do put this Code into practice at all times
- Do treat everyone with dignity and respect
- Do set an example you would wish others to follow
- Do treat all people equally
- Do ensure more than one other adult is present at all times when dealing with a young person or vulnerable adult
- Do advise young people or vulnerable adult who they can talk to, if asked, about any concerns they may have
- Do make everyone aware of the organisation's child and vulnerable adult protection procedures, as outlined in this policy: young people, vulnerable adults, parents and other volunteers

- Do remember someone else might misinterpret your actions, no matter how well intentioned
- Do take any allegations or concerns of abuse seriously and refer to the Trustees/ Chairman of CPRGT
- Do Not trivialise any reports of abuse
- Do Not let allegations, suspicions or concerns about abuse go unreported
- Do Not just rely on your good name to protect you.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

CPRGT provides a Recreation Ground, Children's Play Area and Multi Use Games Area for the local community. An indoor Sports Hall is available for hire.

All hirers must complete a Hiring Form advising whether children or vulnerable adults are involved in their activities. If so suitable details of DBS/CRB registration are obtained. CPRGT does not run any classes or activities themselves, but acts in a landlord capacity.

All children and young people under 18 visiting/using the Site remain the responsibility of their parents or guardians whilst doing so.

Any concerns regarding the safety and/or wellbeing of children or vulnerable adults at the Site should be reported immediately to:

The Relevant Authority, more information can be found at:-

<http://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/protecting-children/report-abuse>

or if applicable to: The Trust/committee, via the RESPONSIBLE PERSON:-
Julian Rankin, Chairman, 01227 751070

PROCEDURE TO BE FOLLOWED BY A COMMITTEE MEMBER OF CPRGT IN THE EVENT OF A CONCERN BEING REPORTED TO THEM

Follow the relevant parts of the code of behaviour

Report concerns to the responsible person

The responsible person will report any issues to the relevant authority (link above) immediately.

www.cprgt.btck.co.uk