

# **BLYTHBURGH with BULCAMP & HINTON Parish Council**



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## **Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy**

### **In respect of Blythburgh Village Hall**

In the interest of child protection and the welfare and protection of vulnerable adults, Blythburgh with Bulcamp & Hinton Parish Council is committed to the policy of safeguarding all children and vulnerable adults.

Where The Parish Council may operate events themselves, they will ensure that members involved are adequately checked, and adhere to the policies, procedures and guidance on working with children, as set out by the Suffolk Safeguarding Children Board. ([www.suffolkscb.org.uk](http://www.suffolkscb.org.uk))

### **In respect of Blythburgh Village Hall:**

- Any organisation which may be in contact with children or vulnerable adults, wishing to use the facility, shall be required to show proof of its own safeguarding policy before being allowed to participate in the use of the hall.
- Children using the facility will be the responsibility of their parents.
- Organised events which may be open to children and/or vulnerable adults will have appropriate staffing and all the required credentials before proceeding.
- No member of the Parish Council, or the Village Hall Committee will undertake any activities at the Village Hall which leave them alone with children or vulnerable adults. If it is likely that such a scenario should occur, then a full DBS check will have to be obtained before the event
- In the event that some events or organisations open to children and/or vulnerable adults do not satisfy the above requirements, access to the hall will be denied. However, the Parish Council will assist such groups or organisations in acquiring the necessary credentials to carry out their activities in the future.

## **Definitions**

### **Children and young people:**

Anyone under the age of 18

### **Vulnerable Adult:**

Anyone over 18 who is

- Unable to care for themselves
- Unable to protect themselves from significant harm or exploitation
- In need of Community Care Services