

## Elders and Trustees Code of Ethics

Elders and Trustees of Hope Community Church are expected to...

- 1. Attend first and foremost to your own relationship with God, through regular exercise of prayer, Scripture, worship, and communal life in the Body of Christ.
- 2. Uphold confidentiality, being faithful to the trust your people have placed in you.
- 3. Keep appropriate physical boundaries with each person in the church community and do not engage in any sexualizing, abusive, manipulative, or coercive behaviour, explicit or implied, in your language or actions.
- 4. Maintain charitable relationships with all people in the wider church by refraining from disparaging other persons or congregations.
- 5. Be faithfully committed to their spouse (if married) as Christ is to the church, being aware that unworthy behaviour disgraces the church and undermines the gospel.
- 6. Dignify all persons in society regardless of age, race, ethnicity, colour, nationality, gender, sexual orientation, religion, disability, marital status, political belief, or any personal characteristic, attribute, condition, or status.
- 7. Uphold the church's Basis of Faith (as found at <u>www.eauk.org/connect/about-us/basis-of-faith.cfm</u>)