

West Dereham Parish Council

Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy

Everyone has a duty to safeguard children and young people. West Dereham Parish Council is committed to maintaining the safety and welfare of children and young people whilst they are using the Parish Council facility described within this policy. This Policy applies to anyone working for or on behalf of the Parish Council whether in a paid or voluntary capacity.

Facility Information:

Parish Council Playground, St Andrew's Playing Field, West Dereham, PE33 9RG
What3Words - group.elevate.headliner

Safe Environment:

In order to promote a safe environment for children and young people, the Parish Council will:

- Provide a safe facility and ensure that regular safety assessments are undertaken. Safety assessments will include: an annual inspection, to be carried out by RoSPA, quarterly visual site inspection to be conducted by 2 trained councillors/volunteers for quality control, and a weekly visual site inspection, to be conducted by trained councillors and volunteers;
- Promptly carry out the actions identified through inspections, cross referenced with the inspection risk rating.
- Ensure that employees, councillors, volunteers and third parties are aware of safeguarding expectations;
- Require that third parties have a suitable safeguarding policy and/or agree to work to the Parish Council's policy; and
- Display 'Reporting Safeguarding Concerns' at the facility site.

Code of Conduct for Users of the Facility:

- Do not leave children under 10 unattended.
- Treat others with respect.
- Show consideration for others using the facility.
- Treat the facility provided with care and respect.
- Refrain from all antisocial behaviour.
- Do not smoke or consume drugs or alcohol at this facility.
- Litter to be taken home
- No dogs in fenced area

Reporting Safeguarding Concerns:

CONTACT	CONTACT DETAILS	REPORTING
Parish Council Clerk	01366 666782 clerk@westderehamparishcouncil.uk	Damage to the facility.
National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children	0808 800 5000	If you have a concern about a child's safety or welfare.
Police (emergency)	999	If a crime is in progress or if a child or young person is in immediate danger.
Police (non-emergency)	101	A crime that is not an emergency.

Definitions:

- Children and young people: anyone under the age of 18 years