

# DRAYCOTT PARISH COUNCIL

## Child and Vulnerable adult's protection policy

Draycott Parish Council has a legal obligation to ensure an appropriate standard of care for those people who use our services. The purpose of the policy is to safeguard children, young people or vulnerable adults using our services and to facilitate the best possible professional practice from the Council, its staff, and all service deliverers.

This policy applies to anyone working for or on behalf of the Parish Council whether in a paid, voluntary or commissioned capacity, for example contracted to do a piece of work. In practice, this policy will primarily relate to the Parish Council Play Schemes which are delivered by a contractor, It also applies to any individual hiring, leasing or using the Parish Council facilities for the purpose of delivering any service to children, young people or vulnerable adults. Therefore, it will be adopted by the Council as a whole and will provide the framework for ensuring that children, young people and vulnerable adults are kept safe from harm in all situations that arise.

### DEFINITIONS

#### Children and young people:

Anyone under the age of 18 years

#### Vulnerable Adult:

Anyone over 18 who is:

- Unable to care for themselves
- Unable to protect themselves from significant harm or exploitation
- Or may be in need of community care services

The Council is committed to ensuring that children and vulnerable adults are protected and kept safe from harm whilst they are engaged in any activity associated with the Council.

We will endeavour to achieve this by:

- Ensuring that our staff are carefully selected, trained and supervised.
- Ensuring that any contractors used to deliver services on behalf of the Parish Council have current enhanced CRB Checks, a Child Protection

and Vulnerable Adults policy and Risk Management assessment in place.

- Being available to parents, carers and children and vulnerable adults to voice their concerns or lodge complaints if they feel unsure or unhappy about any issue.

## APPENDIX- CONTRACTORS DECLARATION FORM

Draycott Parish Council is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of children and vulnerable adults by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional harm.

As a contractor of Draycott and Church Wilne Parish Council, it is essential that you have taken the time to thoroughly read this Child and Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy. By being made aware of the policy, it is our intention to ensure that **all** contractors are pro-active in providing a safe environment for the young and vulnerable people in their care.

### Contractors Declaration

I have read and fully understood the Child and Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy, and hereby declare that I will carry out my role in line the policy statement contained therein.

Signed.....Name.....

Date.....

Company.....