



FEN DRAYTON PARISH COUNCIL CHILD AND VULNERABLE ADULT SAFEGUARDING POLICY

This statement of policy and procedures applies to the Fen Drayton Parish Council.

The welfare of the child or vulnerable adult is paramount and is the responsibility of everyone and this policy is in place to protect all children and vulnerable adults regardless of gender, ethnicity, disability, sexuality, religion or faith against abuse.

Fen Drayton Parish Council is committed to supporting the right of children and vulnerable adults to be protected from abuse whether physical, verbal, sexual, bullying, exclusion or neglect. The council will work together with volunteers and hirers, in line with Cambridgeshire County Council safeguarding policy, and act promptly when dealing with allegations or suspicions of abuse and/or neglect.

To achieve this, the committee will appoint a named person responsible for this policy and for coordinating, in relation to parish council activities, any operational activity, communication or report including acting as main contact for disclosure to the appropriate authorities. That person is Jackie Isden who may be contacted direct or through the clerk.

The council will work in a way that safeguards the wellbeing of children or vulnerable adults and take appropriate steps (as outlined in Cambridgeshire County Council guidance for community organisations) if they become aware of any signs or incidents of abuse. No member of the parish council will have unsupervised access to children or vulnerable adults unless in possession of appropriate clearance such as DBS.

Reports, if required, will be made to:

Customer Services

Cambridgeshire County Council

PO Box 144

St Ives

PE27 9AU.

Tel: 0345 045 5202

Out of hours emergency: Emergency Duty Team 01733 234 724

A copy of this policy is available on the Fen Drayton Parish Council website.

The policy will be reviewed on a regular basis taking into account Cambridgeshire County Council's Safeguarding guidance and procedures current at the time of review and inasmuch as they relate to a community organisation like ourselves.

Adopted: 7 February 2018

Signed by: Jackie Isden

Position in parish council: vice-chair

Date of next review: May 2019