

Swanmore Recreation Ground, Broad Lane, Charity 301962

Pavilion Child Protection and Vulnerable Person Protection Policy

The Swanmore Parish Council, as Trustee of the Swanmore Recreation Ground at Broad Lane intends to create an environment in which children are safe from abuse and in which any suspicion of abuse is promptly and appropriately responded to.

Whilst the Parish Council or the Trustee do not run any children's club or activity and do not normally have unaccompanied contact with children under the auspices of the recreation ground, they will comply with this policy where applicable and require that every hirer, whether the hire involves children or not, has a policy that complies with current legislation and the requirements set out below.

.1: Statement

- 1.1 The policy applies to all hirers who have booked an event even if children and young people aged under 18 are not due to be present
- 1.2 A copy of this policy will be given to all hirers with their booking form

.2: Principles

- 2.1 The welfare of children and young people aged under 18 who may be present on the Swanmore Recreation Ground is paramount.
- 2.2 They have the right to protection from physical, emotional, sexual and verbal abuse or any other form of abuse, including neglect.

.3: Procedures

- 3.1 The hirer will ensure that a named adult, present at the event, will be responsible for all safety matters, including child protection and safeguarding.
- 3.2 Should any person be concerned about the safety or welfare of any child on the recreation ground, they should either:
 - Take action to prevent a harm happening (e.g. harassment or bullying) and talk with the children involved, or
 - Bring the matter to the attention of then children's parents or carers if present, or
 - Report the matter to the named adult for them to decide what action to take.
- 3.3 If an incident occurs that could significantly affect a child's welfare or bring the reputation of Swanmore Parish Council as the Trustee of the Swanmore Recreation Ground into disrepute, the named adult should:
 - Take any necessary action including immediate safeguarding action if necessary. **In an emergency please call the police on 999**
 - Additionally report the matter to Swanmore Parish Council as Managing Trustee of the Swanmore Recreation Ground, Charity on 01489 890651 or by email at clerk@swanmorepc.org.uk

.4: Review

- 4.1 This policy will be reviewed annually or as deemed necessary by the Trustee