

Hatley Parish Council

Safeguarding Policy

16th May 2017

POLICY FOR WORKING WITH PARTNER ORGANISATIONS AND OUTSIDE BODIES ACTING AS DELIVERY PARTNERS TO THE COUNCIL TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

Hatley Parish Council attaches a high priority to the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults who are involved in activities commissioned by the Council from partner organisations and outside bodies acting as 'delivery partners'. Hatley Parish Council will ensure that all delivery partners responsible for the provision of services on behalf of the Council have child and vulnerable adult policies and safeguarding policies in place and that these are current, fit for purpose and aligned with current National and Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCB) guidelines.

The Council will require copies of all relevant policies and insurance documents as well as evidence that all staff associated with the delivery partner have full and current Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks.

Statement of Intent

It is the policy of the Hatley Parish Council to ensure that all delivery partners working on their behalf:

- safeguard the welfare of all children, young people and vulnerable adults by protecting them from neglect, physical, sexual and emotional harm.
- Safeguard children and young people from child sexual exploitation (CSE).
- Recognise the signs of radicalism.
- Be able to refer concerns and/or disclosures to the relevant authorities.

Hatley Parish Council will:

- Identify the Parish Clerk as the designated person who will be responsible for recording all policies, insurances and DBS records from delivery partners before they commence working on behalf of the Council.
- Ensure that the Parish Clerk monitors that all policies, insurances and DBS records from delivery partners working on behalf of the Council to ensure that they are up to date, fit for purpose and aligned with current National and Local Safeguarding Children Boards (LSCB) guidelines.
- Ensure that the Parish Clerk has sufficient training to be able to carry out this role effectively.
- Identify a Councillor with responsibility for monitoring adherence to the above actions.
- Review the policy every year or sooner at the Chairman's discretion.