

# Hauxton Child Protection Policy

Hauxton Parish Council, as the owner and provider of recreational facilities within the Hauxton, has a duty of care to ensure that it meets Cambridgeshire County Council's Child Protection and Welfare standards in respect of Children and Vulnerable Adults using the Parish Council's facilities.

As an organisation, Hauxton Parish Council does not in the normal course of its activities come into direct contact with children. However, many of our aims and objectives involve the provision, maintenance and improvement of facilities for the benefit of young people, and providing assistance and advice to those organisations that are specifically responsible for their well-being.

We recognise that the welfare of those children is paramount and that all children have equal rights of protection, and we take all reasonable steps to ensure that those organisations with whom we deal have themselves appropriate Child Protection Policies in place along with a designated Child Protection Officer. We shall not knowingly support or involve ourselves with any organisation that is disinclined to produce evidence of such policies and Officer when required.

From time to time our work entails practical involvement with clubs or organisations in matters of coaching or training children in various sporting activities. It is a prerequisite that any volunteer coaches or trainers who involve themselves with such clubs or organisations using Hauxton Sports Ground provide;

- A valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check
- A qualification appropriate to the level of coaching or training that the activity concerned demands.

In the event that the Parish Council becomes aware of a disclosure of information by a Child or Vulnerable Adult about any occurrence or situation that could be regarded as an instance of abuse (as described in Cambridgeshire County Council's '*Basic Child Protection Guidance*' document), the Parish Council will first contact the Duty Social Worker of Cambridgeshire County Council or the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB), and inform them of the disclosure. They will then instruct the PC what to do next.

The Parish Council also has a duty of care to pass on any information of this nature that it receives from any other source.

The Parish Council shall appoint a suitable Child Protection Officer and the name and contact details of that officer shall be displayed in the Sports Ground pavilion.

## **Telephone numbers and email addresses**

Use the following contact information.

Mon. to Fri. 8am to 5pm: Children's Social Care at Cambridgeshire Direct -  
0345 045 5203

Outside office hours: Social Care Emergency Duty Team - 01733 234724

Police: Urgent cases: 999

Non-urgent cases: 101

Email (for non-urgent reports): [referral.centre2@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:referral.centre2@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)

You may also telephone the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) on 01480 373522

or email: [lscb@cambridgeshire.gov.uk](mailto:lscb@cambridgeshire.gov.uk)