



Whatley and Chantry

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

This is the Health and Safety Policy Statement of Whatley and Chantry Parish Council:

Whatley and Chantry Parish Council recognise and accepts its responsibility for providing a safe and healthy environment for its members; staff; volunteers; visitors; and for anyone affected by its activities. The Council maintains this policy for the management of health and safety as its top priority and will do all that is reasonably practicable to ensure effective organisation and planning are established and maintained. The Council will also ensure that appropriate and effective audit and review mechanisms are used to inform the work of the Council, which undertakes to commit appropriate resources to manage health and safety.

Our statement of general policy below is based upon that required by virtue of Health and Safety at Work Act 1974. Although the Council has a single employee, the principles of the Act and its underpinning Regulations as later published are taken by the Council as a minimum requirement for the safe and effective management of the Council and its activities.

Our statement of general policy is:

- To provide adequate control of health and safety risks arising from our activities.
- To monitor H&S procedures of third parties operating from Council property or land
- To consult with our staff on matters affecting their health and safety.
- To provide and maintain safe equipment.
- To provide sufficient information, instruction, and supervision of staff, volunteers and visitors as far as is reasonably practicable.
- To ensure all staff and volunteers are competent in their Council-related activities, and to provide adequate training as far as is reasonably practicable.
- To prevent accidents and activity-related ill health as far as is reasonably practicable.
- To maintain safe and healthy conditions for conducting the Council's business and the public facilities it provides; and
- To review and revise this Policy as necessary at regular intervals, but at least annually.

Review of Policy:

Last reviewed: This statement was created on 22 November 2025

Next review date: Bi-Annually – November 2027

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