

Brooksby Recreation Ground Charity

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Equality and Diversity Policy

The law on equality has been consolidated into the Equality Act 2010 which took effect 1st October 2010.

The law prohibits discrimination on certain grounds. To discriminate against someone means to treat them less favourably, to harass or victimise them, or to subject them to a provision, criterion or practice which puts them at a disadvantage. This is unlawful if it is on certain grounds, known as 'protected characteristics'. These are:

- Age
- Race
- Religion or belief
- Sex
- Sexual orientation
- Gender reassignment
- Pregnancy and maternity
- Disability
- Marital status

Church Stretton Town Council as sole trustee Brooksby Recreation Ground, is committed to promoting equality and diversity, providing an inclusive and supportive environment. The purpose of this policy is to provide equality and fairness. Our commitment is to:

- ensure that people are treated solely on the basis of their abilities and potential, regardless of race, colour, nationality, ethnic origin, religious or political belief or affiliation, trade union membership, age, gender, gender reassignment, marital status, sexual orientation, disability, socio-economic background, or any other inappropriate distinction
- promote diversity and equality for all volunteers and value the contributions made by individuals and groups of people from diverse cultural, ethnic, socio-economic and distinctive backgrounds
- promote and sustain an inclusive and supportive environment which affirms the equal and fair treatment of individuals in fulfilling their potential and does not afford unfair privilege to any individual or group
- treat all volunteers and trustees fairly and equally
- challenge inequality and less favourable treatment wherever practicable
- promote greater participation of under-represented groups by encouraging positive action to address inequality
- promote an environment free of harassment and bullying on any grounds in relation to all staff and volunteers.

Responsibilities

- Church Stretton Town Council, as sole trustee, has ultimate responsibility for the effective implementation of the policy. The policy will be reviewed at least every two years, to ensure it remains consistent with the law and best practice.
- Everyone acting on behalf of the charity remains personally responsible for ensuring that they act within the law.

Monitoring

- The Trustees will monitor the effectiveness of the policy and any associated equality action plans.

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