

Kingston Parish Council

Vulnerable Persons Protection Policy Statement

A “vulnerable person” may be a child, vulnerable adult or person with any disability.

A vulnerable person’s welfare is paramount.

All vulnerable persons whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious belief and/or sexual identity, have the right to protection from abuse.

All suspicions and allegations of inappropriate behaviour will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

Definitions:

As defined in the Children Act 1989 anyone under the age of 18 years should be considered as a **child** for the purposes of this document.

Vulnerable adults are people over the age of eighteen who, because of disability, age or illness are unable to protect themselves from harm or from being exploited.

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