SEDGEFIELD PLAYERS SAFEGUARDING ADULTS POLICY

Adopted 2010 Amended 2024

The Sedgefield Players recognises its duty of care under the CARE ACT 2014. This includes anyone over the age of 18 who:-

is an older person who is frail due to ill health, physical disability or cognitive impairment • has a learning disability • has a physical disability and/or a sensory impairment • has mental health needs including dementia or a personality disorder • has a long-term illness/condition • misuses substances or alcohol • is an unpaid carer such as a family member/friend who provides personal assistance and care to adults and is subject to abuse • lacks mental capacity to make particular decisions and is in need of care and support

Sedgefield Players will ensure that:-

- 1. all members are treated equally, with respect and dignity
- 2. bullying is not be accepted or condoned, including anything online or via mobile phone/phone apps/social media
- 3. action is taken to stop any inappropriate verbal or physical behaviour
- 4. all suspicious and allegations of abuse and neglect are taken seriously and responded to swiftly
- 5. all members are clear on how to respond appropriately
- 6. all members are made aware of this policy
- 7. this policy is available on the Sedgefield Players website
- 8. any incidents/concerns should be reported immediately to the Adult Safeguarding Officer or the Chairman

Sedgefield Players have a dedicated Adults Safeguarding Officer (Eizabeth Flanagan 2015), responsible for ensuring that this policy is followed by all members while involved in activities associated with the section.

2022 – all members should be DBS check to the satisfaction of the Adult Protection Officer. A DBS check issued for any employment will be accepted.

This policy will be monitored and reviewed regularly.

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