

## **Health and Safety Policy Statement**

Health and Safety at Work Act 1974

### **Health and Safety Policy Statement of Ashwell Village Trust**

Registered Charity No. 294673

Our primary objective is to provide and maintain a safe and healthy work and public leisure environment, in which the objectives of the Trust can flourish.

Volunteers will be provided with such information, supervision and support as is necessary for them to carry out their work safely, and to minimise the opportunities for accidents, or ill health, and with due regard to the environment. They have a responsibility for ensuring that they comply with this policy at all times, in a manner that is safe for themselves and others.

The identification of hazards is an important requirement. Volunteers and contractors will be consulted on matters affecting health and safety, and to ensure that all equipment brought onto the work site is safe.

An annual inspection of the site is to be undertaken involving a Trustee and the Garden Working Party Supervisor following which the Cottage Garden Risk Assessment will be updated accordingly. At the 2025 AGM it was agreed the next annual inspection/update is to be completed by end Q3 2025.

Overall responsibility for health and safety is that of the Trustees. This policy will be reviewed and revised by them as necessary, at regular intervals.

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