



Vulnerable Adults policy

The aim of this policy is to guide members of Rogate Parish Council should any issue relating to vulnerable adults arise during their work.

The definition of a vulnerable adult is a person aged over 18 who may be unable to take care of themselves or protect themselves from harm or exploitation. This may include a person who

- Is elderly or frail
- Has a mental illness including dementia
- Has a physical or sensory disability
- Has a learning disability
- Has a severe physical illness
- Is a substance misuser
- Is homeless

Rogate Parish Council recognises that it has a responsibility to protect the welfare of vulnerable adults by ensuring that the activities of Rogate Parish Council do not put any vulnerable adults at risk.

In order to achieve this Rogate Parish Council must ensure that, where possible, all facilities and activities offered by Rogate Parish Council where vulnerable adults may be present are designed to limit the risk to vulnerable adults.

While the Parish Council has no statutory remit or role to investigate, it acknowledges a responsibility to pass on to the appropriate statutory agency concerns in relation to the safety or welfare of a vulnerable adult so the concerns can be assessed and acted upon appropriately.