



1.INTRODUCTION

Old Woughton Parish Council is a first tier authority within the governance arrangements of the UK. In that connection, it has a range of statutory duties together with a general power of community engagement, which can be exercised in the interests of the parishioners it is elected to serve.

2.PRINCIPLES

There are many instances whereby the work of OWPC is greatly enhanced by the involvement of local residents. For example, in routine litter picks and on-going towpath repairs. Further opportunities will doubtless arise from the council's commitment to local projects in each of its four wards.

When involving volunteers the Parish Council will ensure that:

- at least one councillor is present;
- all Health & Safety legislation is followed;
- training is provided, where appropriate;
- regulators' permissions are sought as necessary; and
- appropriate insurance cover is in place.

3. THE VOLUNTEER PERSPECTIVE

OWPC will re-imburse all previously approved travel and related expenses. The Clerk holds a schedule of current rates.

Feedback from Volunteers is particularly welcomed both as an acknowledgement of the contribution being made and to drive improvements and further initiatives.

4.POLICIES

All volunteers are covered by Old Woughton Parish Council's insurance and Health & Safety policies whilst they are on the premises or engaged in work on Old Woughton Parish Council's behalf. A copy of these policies is available from the Clerk..

REVIEW HISTORY

Version 1	Adopted	July 2013
Version 2	Adopted	09/03/15
Version 3	Adopted	13/07/20