

Internet Use and Wi-Fi Policy

1. This policy provides a guide to the acceptable use of Ramsey Mereside Village Hall's wi-fi network facility and internet access.

2. The Village Hall has access to the internet via a Wi-Fi network and will provide password protected access to the service to users of the hall without charge. It will not attempt to restrict access to the internet or filter any internet content accessed by users.

Users must not use the internet facilities for:

- i. Unlawful or illegal activity.
- ii. Commercial purposes, unless authorised by the Village Hall Committee in writing.
- iii. Uploading computer viruses, carrying out hacking, uploading / downloading defamatory, offensive or illegal material.
- iv. Breaching confidentiality or intellectual property rights.
- v. Interrupting the provision of service to other hall internet users.

3. The Village Hall will not provide any technical support for this system nor guarantee availability, speed of service, a continuous connection, or that users devices will work successfully at the hall.

4. The Village Hall is not responsible for the purpose to which users put their devices or the content of any websites visited. The Village Hall does not take any responsibility for any malware, viruses, hacking or other unwanted effects on users devices – users must protect themselves from such effects.

5. It is therefore the users responsibility to set the security, privacy and content access levels on personal devices, and it is the users responsibility to install internet security, antivirus and firewall software on all devices to prevent unauthorised access to personal data.

6. It is the responsibility of Parents / Carers to monitor children's access to the internet during their time on the premises.

7. The Village Hall will not collect any personally identifiable information when providing these facilities. Our router may collect technical information from users devices necessary to provide access to the internet, which may be logged to detect crime or where necessary to block access from a specific device. The Village Hall will allow access to such information to any relevant authority as required to check for infringements of the law;

8. In using the Village Hall's wi-fi access to the internet, users will agree to indemnify both the Village Hall and its Trustees against all liabilities, claims, losses or damages (including legal fees and other expenses) that may arise as a result of their connection to the village hall's wi-fi.

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