Stockbridge Town Hall Safety Rules for Users



Users must follow the practices below to minimise the risks to themselves and others

- 1. Make sure that all emergency exit doors are clear and unlocked as soon as the hall is to be used and throughout the hiring.
- **2.** Do not operate or touch any electrical equipment where there are signs of damage, exposure of components or water penetration etc.
- **3.** Do not work on steps, ladders or at height until they are properly secured, and another person is present.
- **4.** Do not leave portable electrical or gas appliances operating while unattended.
- **5.** Do not bring into the property any portable electrical appliances which have not been Portable Appliance Tested.
- 6. Do not attempt to move heavy or bulky items (e.g. stacked tables or chairs) without using the trolleys provided. Do not stack chairs above the specified height where shown in notices.
- 7. Do not attempt to carry or tip a water boiler when it contains hot water. Leave it to cool.
- **8.** Do not allow children in the kitchen except under close supervision (e.g. for supervised cookery lessons or, in the case of older children, for supervised serving of food at functions).
- **9.** Avoid over-crowding in the kitchen and do not allow running.
- 10. Report any evidence of damage or faults to equipment or the building's facilities by providing details in the maintenance book in the kitchen and to a member of the committee *
- **11.** Report any injury and/or dangerous occurrence in the accident book in the kitchen and to a member of the committee *
- **12.** Be aware and seek to avoid the following risks:
 - a. Creating slipping hazards on stairs, polished or wet floors mop spills immediately.
 - b. Creating trip hazards such as buggies, umbrellas, mops and other items left in halls and corridors
 - c. Use adequate lighting to avoid tripping in poorly lit areas
 - d. Risk to individuals while in sole occupancy of the building
 - e. Risks involved in handling kitchen equipment e.g. cookers, water heaters and knives
 - f. Creating toppling hazards by piling equipment e.g. In store cupboards.

^{*} see contact details in the kitchen and on the notice board under the main stairs