## RIDGMONT PARISH COUNCIL HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

## GENERAL STATEMENT

Ridgmont Parish Council recognises and accepts its responsibility for providing a safe and healthy working environment for its members, staff, volunteers and anyone affected by it activities.

The Council will meet its responsibilities under the health and Safety at Works etc. Act 1974 and will provide as far as is reasonably practicable, the resources to fulfil this commitment.

Although the Council only has a single employee, the principles of the Act and its underpinning Regulations as later published are taken by the Council as a minimum requirement for the safe and effective management of the Council and its activities.

## AIMS OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

To provide as far as is reasonably practicable:

- 1. To provide adequate control of the health and safety risks arising from our activities.
- 2. To consult staff on matters affecting their health and safety.
- 3. To provide and maintain safe equipment.
- 4. To provide sufficient information, instruction, and supervision of staff, volunteers and visitors as is reasonably practicable.
- 5. To ensure all staff and volunteers are competent in their Council related activities and to provide adequate training as far as it practicable.
- 6. To prevent accidents and activity-related ill health as far as is practicable.
- 7. To maintain safe and healthy conditions for conducting the Council's business and the public facilities it provides.
- 8. To review and revise this Policy as necessary at regular intervals.

This policy was accepted in November 2019