



# east stirlingshire

## SAFETY POLICY

### GENERAL

The Board of Directors of East Stirlingshire Football Club will undertake to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, that all activities which take place at Ochilview Park are conducted in such a way that the safety of everyone at the ground is assured.

The Board accepts it bears responsibility for the safety of spectators at Ochilview Park on each East Stirlingshire home match day.

The Club shall put systems in place to ensure safety in accordance with the Guide To Safety At Sports Grounds.

### SAFETY POLICY

The Club undertakes, as part of its ground lease arrangements with Stenhousemuir Football Club, to follow the specific provisions contained within Stenhousemuir FC's own Policy of Safety as it relates to the playing of football matches at Ochilview Park when Stenhousemuir are the home team.

To that end East Stirlingshire FC will be provided with a designated Safety Officer of Stenhousemuir FC's choosing who will be conversant with the Safety Policies of Stenhousemuir FC and which will apply when East Stirlingshire FC play home matches at Ochilview.

Furthermore, Stenhousemuir FC will provide to East Stirlingshire FC Paramedic, First Aid and Stewarding personnel for its home matches who are conversant with, and who will follow in all ways described, the Safety Policy of Stenhousemuir FC, used when Stenhousemuir FC play home matches at Ochilview.

East Stirlingshire FC will be responsible for the provision of a Club Doctor and SFA licensed First Aider at home matches who will be made aware of any provisions within the Safety Policy of Stenhousemuir FC as it relates to their role on a matchday when East Stirlingshire FC use Ochilview for home matches.

The Safety Officer, although of Stenhousemuir FC's choosing, will on all East Stirlingshire home match days be considered an employee of East Stirlingshire and will work directly with the Club Secretary to ensure that the Safety Policies as set down by Stenhousemuir FC are followed.

The Safety Officer shall have direct control over all matters relating to safety as set out in Stenhousemuir FC's Safety Policy and shall alert the Club Secretary of any breaches or variances which require attention or remedial action.

The Club shall take advice as and when required from the Safety Officer on any specific matter relating to the safety of spectators at any home match.

The Safety Officer will be directly responsible for ensuring all employees of East Stirlingshire FC and others (Stewards, First Aiders, Paramedics, Police) are aware of all the provisions that relate to them contained within the Stenhousemuir FC Safety Policy.

## **FIRST AID PROVISION**

All provisions relating to First Aid shall be as stipulated in the Stenhousemuir FC's Safety Plan. Notwithstanding this, East Stirlingshire FC shall have a duty to ensure that there is sufficient cover and that these personnel are properly able to deal with any First Aid incident.

## **FIRE PRECAUTIONS**

In the event of a fire, the procedures to be followed will be the same as those laid out in Stenhousemuir FC's Safety Policy. The Safety Officer shall be responsible for overseeing the execution of these procedures and for informing Club Officials and staff of roles they may be required to play in such circumstances.

## **STADIUM EMERGENCY/EVACUATION**

In the event of a stadium emergency or evacuation the procedures to be followed will be the same as those laid out in Stenhousemuir FC's Safety Policy. The Safety Officer will be responsible for the execution of these procedures.

## **MAJOR INCIDENT**

In the event of a major incident the procedures to be followed will be the same as those laid out in Stenhousemuir FC's Safety Policy. The Safety Officer will be responsible for the execution of these procedures.

## **CONTINGENCY PLANNING**

The drawing up of any Contingency Plans which may apply to Ochilview Park on an East Stirlingshire FC match day shall be determined by Stenhousemuir FC. The Safety Officer shall make the Club Secretary, or other official, aware of the responsibilities on East Stirlingshire FC as a result of any Contingency Plan.

## **TRAINING**

East Stirlingshire FC is committed to undertaking any training of staff not directly covered by Stenhousemuir FC's Safety Policy, that is, those excluding the Safety Officer, Stewards, First Aiders and Paramedic, in all aspects of the Policy as it affects their role on matchdays. This training is normally to be carried out by the Safety Officer.

## **REVIEWS/CHANGES**

All reviews or changes to any of the procedures relating to the safety of all those at an East Stirlingshire FC home match and as laid down within Stenhousemuir FC's own Safety Policy, shall be determined by Stenhousemuir FC.

These changes, as they impact on an East Stirlingshire FC home match at Ochilview, should be communicated when implemented.

## **STEWARDS**

All Stewards at East Stirlingshire FC home matches at Ochilview will be provided by Stenhousemuir FC and will be the same as those who would normally steward a Stenhousemuir FC home match at Ochilview.

They shall follow the provisions for stewards set out in Stenhousemuir FC's own Safety Policy in the same manner and in all respects as though it were a Stenhousemuir FC home match.

They shall be under the direct instruction of East Stirlingshire FC's own Safety Officer.

## **SAFETY OFFICER**

The Safety Officer at East Stirlingshire FC home matches at Ochilview will be provided by Stenhousemuir FC.

However, for the avoidance of doubt, on each East Stirlingshire home match day the Safety Officer will be recognised as an official of East Stirlingshire FC and shall be responsible to the Club Secretary.

The Safety Officer shall be in charge of all aspects of safety and shall be guided in any matter of policy regarding this by the contents of Stenhousemuir FC'S own Safety Policy.

All de-briefings and any reports of incidents at an East Stirlingshire FC home match involving violations of the Safety Policy applied on East Stirlingshire FC home matchdays will be communicated jointly to both Stenhousemuir FC and East Stirlingshire FC, and any action required will be taken jointly by both clubs.

## **FIRST AID AND PARAMEDIC**

First Aiders and a qualified Paramedic will be in attendance at all East Stirlingshire FC home matches at Ochilview.

They will be provided by Stenhousemuir FC and will be, where possible, the same personnel who would perform these duties at a Stenhousemuir FC home match at Ochilview.

The First Aiders and Paramedic shall follow the instructions of the Safety Officer at all times.

The First Aiders and Paramedic will be conversant with the Safety Policy of Stenhousemuir FC and will follow its provisions should they be required to do so during the course of an East Stirlingshire home match at Ochilview.

## **CONCLUSION**

The Board of Directors of East Stirlingshire FC is committed to making home matches at Ochilview safe.

The Board aims to ensure this by communicating with Stenhousemuir FC over all the requirements in statute, and implementing all such policies as laid out by Stenhousemuir FC to this end.

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