

Appendix 2

Room Hire for Children's Activities outside PCC control

It is important to ensure that any hiring of church halls for childrens' activities is within an appropriate Child Protection regime.

This does not however include room hire for private family functions such as children's birthday parties.

'Childrens activities' include activities for all under-18 years old.

PCC's should include in their hire agreement a requirement that

- the Hirer shall have a Child Protection Policy
- there shall be an adequate number of trained adults who have been recruited through a process which has included the appropriate Criminal Record Bureau checks
- they are following good practice guidelines equivalent to those which the diocese commends.

If there is any doubt whether the Child Protection Policy is adequate then the Bishops Representative (Maria Johnson) should be consulted.

The PCC cannot process CRB checks for such groups.