Vandalism / Accidental Damage Policy

CRINGLEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Damage to Council property directly affects the ability of the council to provide services to the community, as it uses much needed funds to repair the damage caused which could otherwise be used for other purposes. To redress this, the council will charge hirers or members of the public who accidentally or deliberately cause damage to Council buildings, contents or facilities such as playgrounds.

All damage to any Council asset will be costed, and if the perpetrator can be identified, an invoice will be generated and forwarded to them along with a letter of explanation. If the invoice is unpaid then legal action may be taken, in line with the Unpaid Invoice policy Information on this is included within hirer contracts.

Any damaged street furniture or play equipment will be inspected, a risk assessment completed, and if necessary will be cordoned off to prevent use until a repair can be actioned.

Any graffiti to Council property will be cleaned by council staff as soon as is reasonably practicable.

CCTV is already installed at The Willow Centre and the Pavilion. If necessary, CCTV may be considered where there are outside areas with a particular likelihood of vandalism.