

# Chittlehampton Village Hall

## Asbestos Safety Management System

### Introduction

Asbestos is a microscopic mineral fibre that is so small that it can't be seen with the naked eye. Once disturbed, fibres can remain in the air for hours. If fibres are inhaled, they can cause serious health hazards which might not become apparent for years. Asbestos should only be disturbed or maintained by specialist personnel, who will be licensed contractors, working under strictly controlled conditions.

Those responsible for any non-domestic premises are required to manage them in respect of any asbestos they may contain. This requires knowing what asbestos containing materials (ACMs) may be present, their location and condition. The simplest way to do this is to have a survey undertaken by a professional.

The contents of your survey are then used to produce a management plan to help manage the ongoing condition of and access to any ACMs. This should include regular checking of the condition of the ACMs and controlling any building or repair works to ensure this is not disturbed, except by specialists under controlled circumstances.

The village hall was built in 1951 and has a roof covering of corrugated asbestos cement sheet with a profiled aluminium sheet covering on the left-hand extension. A building survey carried out in 2022 did not identify any other sources of asbestos within the building, however, given the age and nature of its construction, it is wise to be cautious when carrying out repair and maintenance work to the fabric of the building.

Anyone contracted to carry out such work on the building is required to be aware of this management system and to report to our Health and Safety Officer, namely Zoe Nicklin or John Adde, any instances where you believe asbestos may be present and take the necessary precautions when carrying out your work.

### Current Assessment

Location	Type	Condition	Risk level	Action	Inspection frequency
Roof	Corrugated Asbestos	Poor	Very Low	No further action necessary at present. If damaged, remove by trained operative	Monthly by VH Trustee
Under floor at back of main hall	Suspected asbestos pipework	Average	Very low	No easy access and no further action necessary at present.	3-monthly by VH Trustee

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