

#### MAYLAND PARISH COUNCIL

# **Water Hygiene Policy**

## Adopted 27th October 2015

## **Revised August 2021**

#### 1. Purpose

Mayland Parish Council has a legal duty to ensure the health and safety of its employees, hirers and other visitors in relation to Legionnaires disease. We will comply with this duty, by maintaining a robust Legionella management framework and safe system of work.

#### 2. Introduction

Mayland Parish Council accepts its responsibility under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulation 2002 (as amended), to take all reasonable precautions to prevent or control the harmful effects of contaminated water to staff, visitors and other persons working at or using its premises and will do its utmost to minimise this risk to the public.

### 3. Executive Summary

As required by the Health and Safety Commissions Approved Code of Practice and guidance on regulations L8 (Fourth edition) Mayland Parish Council has to:

- Identify and assess sources of risk
- Prepare a control system for preventing, reducing or controlling the risk

• Implement, manage and monitor precautions - if control measures are to remain

effective, regular monitoring of the systems and control measures is essential

• Maintain suitable and sufficient records of the precautions implemented

· Appoint a competent person with sufficient authority and knowledge of the

installation to help take the measures needed to comply with the law

Review this policy regularly (at least annually) and specifically when there is reason

to believe that the original policy and written scheme may no longer be valid.

Mayland Parish Council will also:

Provide appropriate training for persons with responsibilities for compliance with

this policy

As any alterations are made to the hot and cold water services, give consideration to

removal of non WRAS approved materials from the system and replacement with

WRAS approved materials where possible.

4. Policy Statement

Mayland Parish Council will provide a framework for the prevention of infection from water

borne bacteria through inhalation or aspiration. This policies aim is to maintain a structured

procedure and reporting schedule, for the Management and Control of Legionellosis,

including Legionnaires Disease, in compliance with current legislation, guidelines and good

practice. The primary defence strategy for reducing the risks posed by legionella will be

through a temperature control regime.

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