

Northlew Victory Hall

Schedule of Standard Conditions of Hire

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These standard conditions apply to all hiring of the Hall. If the Hirer is in any doubt as to the meaning of following, the Hall Secretary or booking clerk should immediately be consulted.

1. Supervision

The Hirer shall, during the period of the hiring, be responsible for; supervision of the premises, the fabric and the contents; their care, safety from damage however slight or change of any sort and the behaviour of all persons using the premises whatever their capacity; including proper supervision of car parking arrangements so as to avoid obstruction of the highway. As directed by the Hall Secretary, the Hirer shall make good or pay for all damage (including accidental damage) to the premises or to the fixtures, fittings or contents and loss of contents.

2. Use of Premises

The Hirer shall not use the premises for any purpose other than that described in the hiring agreement and shall not sub-hire or use the premises or allow the premises to be used for any unlawful purpose or in any unlawful way nor do anything or bring onto the premises anything which may endanger the same or render invalid any insurance policies in respect thereof.

3. Licences

The Hirer shall be responsible for adhering to all the rules and regulations set out in the Sale of Alcohol Application Form or where a specific entertainment is required which is not provided within the scope of the premises licence.

4. Gaming, Betting and Lotteries

The Hirer shall ensure that nothing is done on or in relation to the premises in contravention of the law relating to gaming, betting and lotteries.

5. Public Safety Compliance

The Hirer shall comply with all conditions and regulations made in respect of the premises by the Fire Authority, local Authority, Local Magistrates' Court or otherwise, particularly in connection with any event which includes public dancing or music or other similar public entertainment or stage plays. Fire Doors must be kept shut except in an emergency.

The Hirer accepts that there are some limitations on the use of the Hall by disabled person specifically that the stage area and the fire exit from the kitchen are not wheelchair-accessible.

6. Health and Hygiene

The Hirer shall if preparing, serving or selling food, observe all relevant food and health and hygiene legislation and regulations. Any person cooking food in the kitchen shall hold the Foundation Certificate in Food Hygiene. The Hirer is responsible for ensuring that this clause is fulfilled.

7. Electrical Appliance Safety

The Hirer shall ensure that any electrical appliances brought by them to the premises and used there shall be safe and in good working order, and used in a safe manner.

8. Indemnity

The Hirer shall indemnify and keep indemnified each member of the Victory Hall Management Committee and the Victory Hall's employees, volunteers, agents and invitees against (a) the cost of repair of any damage done to any part of the premises including the curtilage thereof or the contents of the premises and (b) all claims in respect of damage or loss of property or injury to persons arising as a result of the use of the premises (including the storage of equipment) by the Hirer. The Victory Hall is insured against any claims arising out of its own negligence.

9. Accidents and Dangerous Occurrences

The Hirer must report all accidents involving injury as soon as possible to a member of the Victory Hall Management Committee and complete the relevant section in the Victory Hall's accident book (stored in the First Aid Box in the kitchen). Any failure of equipment either belonging to the Victory Hall or brought in by the Hirer must also be reported as soon as possible.

Certain types of accident or injury must be reported on a special form to the local authority: the Hall Secretary will give assistance in completing this form. This is in accordance with the Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations 1995.

10. Animals

No animals whatsoever are to enter the kitchen at any time.

11. Compliance with The Children Act 1989

The Hirer shall ensure that any activities for children under eight years of age comply with the provisions of The Children Act of 1989 and that only fit and proper persons have access to the children.

12. Sale of Goods

The Hirer shall, if selling goods on the premises, comply with Fair Trading Laws and any code of practice used in connection with sales, In particular, the Hirer shall ensure that the total prices of all goods and services are prominently displayed, as shall be the organiser's name and address and that any discounts offered are based only on Manufacturers' Recommended Retail Prices.

13. Bookings.

A £10 deposit is required to secure all bookings and this will only be confirmed once the money and completed booking form are returned to the booking secretary. On the day of the event, the remainder of the fee is to be paid on collection of the key.

Under 18's must have a parent/guardian present for the duration of the hiring period. The phone number of said responsible adult must be written on the booking form. ID will be required for proof of age when attempting to buy alcohol by younger members of the community.

14. Cancellation

If the Hirer wishes to cancel the booking before the date of the event and the Victory Hall is unable to conclude a replacement booking, the question of the payment or the repayment of the fee shall be at the discretion of the Victory Hall Management Committee.

The Victory Hall reserves the right to cancel the hiring by written notice to the Hirer in the event of (a) the premises being required for use as a Polling Station for Parliamentary or Local Government election or bye-election.

(b) The Victory Hall Management Committee reasonably considering that (I) such hiring would lead to a breach of licensing conditions, if applicable, or other legal or statutory requirements, or (II) unlawful or unsuitable activities will take place at the premises as a result of this hiring (C) the premises becoming unfit for the use intended by the Hirer.

In any such case the Hirer shall be entitled to a refund of any monies already paid, but the Victory Hall shall not be liable to the Hirer for any resulting direct or indirect loss or damages whatsoever.

15. End of Hire

The Hirer shall be responsible for leaving the premises and surrounding area in a clean and tidy condition (or an additional charge may be made) with all lights and water heaters switched off and the Hall properly locked and secured unless directed otherwise. Any contents temporarily removed from their usual positions shall be properly replaced otherwise the Victory Hall shall be at liberty to make an additional charge also all breakages must be paid for.

16. Noise

The Hirer shall ensure that the minimum of noise is made before, during and after the period of hiring. The Hirer is responsible for ensuring that the noise level of the function is such that it does not cause interference with other activities within the building or inconvenience for occupiers of nearby premises. All Fire Doors must be kept shut except in an emergency.

17. Stored equipment

The Victory Hall accepts no responsibility for any stored equipment or other property brought on to or left at the premises, and all liability for loss or damage is hereby excluded. All equipment and other property (other than stored equipment) must be removed at the end of each hiring or fees will be charged for each day or part of a day at the hire fee per hiring until the same is removed.

The Victory Hall may, at its discretion in any of the following circumstances, namely-(A) in respect of stored equipment, failure by the Hirer either to pay any storage charges due and payable or to remove the same within 7 days after the agreed storage period has ended; (B) in respect of any other property brought on to the premises for the purposes of the hiring, failure by the Hirer to remove the same within 7 days after the hiring dispose of any such item by sale or otherwise on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit; Northlew Victory Hall may charge the Hirer any cost incurred in storing and selling or otherwise disposing of the same.

18. No alterations

No alterations or additions may be made to the premises nor may any fixtures be installed or placards, decorations or other articles be attached in any way to any part of the premises without the prior written approval. Any alteration, fixture or fitting or attachment so approved shall at the discretion of the Victory Hall remain in the premises at the end of the hiring and become the property of the Victory Hall or be removed by the Hirer who must make good to the satisfaction of the Hall any damage caused to the premises by such removal.

19. No rights

The hiring agreement constitutes permission only to use the premises and confers no tenancy or other right of occupation on the Hirer

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Safety and Fire Routine

The exact location of the Fire Exits, Alarm Panels and Fire Extinguishers must be noted before the Hall is occupied and the manner of opening Fire Doors should be made known to your guests. Diagrams of locations and exit routes are posted throughout the Hall. Fire Doors must be kept shut except in an emergency. During the period of hire all exits must be kept clear and the emergency exit signs must be lit. In the event of a fire, the Hall should be evacuated in an orderly manner using all appropriate exits, closing all doors behind you and mustering all guests out and proceed to the square. Call the Fire Brigade by dialling 999. The nearest public telephone is in the square. Only re-enter the premises if the Authorities have confirmed it is safe to do so. Details of the incident shall be given to the Secretary of the Hall Management Committee or to the Booking Clerk.

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the premises. Smoke machines are not permitted as detectors are fitted throughout the building.

No decorations of a combustible nature (e.g. candles, polystyrene, tissue) shall be used in the Hall without the consent of the Management Committee.

There is a small first aid box in the kitchen, also a Report Book in which you may record any comments on the Hall, any breakages or other items to be brought to the attention of the Management Committee.

Maximum permitted capacity of the Hall is 200, or 150 if seated.

Opening Hours

The Hall is licensed from 10am to 0100 - Monday to Sunday. These are the latest times by which the Hall must be vacated and dark.

Heating

The Hall is heated by the means of an air source heat pump. The heat is preset, therefore you are unable to adjust it. It takes a minimum of two hours to reach the set temperature. Any queries, please contact the booking secretary.

Hall Assets

The Hall is fitted with a Hearing Aid Induction Loop: if you wish to use this for your event please advise the Booking Clerk. The Hall has 105 stackable banquet chairs, 50 plastic chairs, 10 folding tables, 4 small rigid tables, The kitchen contains range electric cooker fridge, 110 each of dinner plates, rimmed bowls, mugs, cups, saucers and tea plates; metal cutlery; stainless steel urn and electric kettle.

Car park

4 Cars can park outside the Victory Hall (but must not block the exit doors) the main park is in the square.

Consideration for Others

Please ask you guest to leave quietly at the close of your event with out disturbing the local residents.

Please leave the Hall clean and tidy, as you would wish to find it

Any comments or observation that you may have regarding your hire should be addressed to the Hall Management Committee.

We Wish You A Happy And Successful Event.