

Policy Documents

Group Supporting Policies



Scouts

**25th Allerton
(St. Mary's Grassendale)**



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This document sets out the local application of three key Scouts UK policies: **Duty of Candour, Religious Policy, and Vetting Policy**. Each section is based on **The Scout Association's Policy, Organisation and Rules (POR)**, which applies to all Scout Groups.

1. Duty of Candour Policy

The **25th Allerton Scout Group** follows The Scout Association's **Duty of Candour Policy (POR Section 2.1)**.

This means that if something goes wrong, we will:

- Be open and honest about what has happened.
- Support those affected.
- Learn lessons and make improvements.
- Co-operate fully with Scouts UK Headquarters if procedures are triggered.

🔗 National policy: Scouts – Duty of Candour Policy

2. Religious Policy

The **25th Allerton Scout Group** is part of the wider Scouts movement, which welcomes members of many different faiths and those with no formal religion.

We follow The Scout Association's **Religious Policy (POR Section 2.4)** and commit to:

- Encouraging young people to explore their faith, beliefs, and values in line with the Promise.
- Respecting every individual's background, whether of a particular faith or none.
- Supporting attendance at services and religious observance where relevant.
- Working inclusively with our sponsoring church (St Mary's Grassendale) while welcoming families of all faiths or none.

🔗 National policy: Scouts – Religious Policy

3. Vetting Policy

The **25th Allerton Scout Group** follows The Scout Association's **Vetting Policy (POR Section 2.7)**.

This means that:

- All adult volunteers must complete the official **Scouts appointments process**, including checks with the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).
- No adult may begin volunteering until clearance is confirmed.
- Ongoing reviews are carried out to ensure adults remain suitable for their role.
- References, training, and safeguarding checks form part of this process.

🔗 National policy: Scouts – Vetting Policy

Review

This Supporting Policies document will be reviewed annually by the **Trustee Board of 25th Allerton Scout Group**.

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