

VALEWAYS Employees and Volunteers Code of Conduct

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The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to set out standards of behaviour expected from employees/volunteers of Valeways. All employees/volunteers should ensure that they have read and comply with this Code of Conduct.

Employees and Volunteers are expected to:

- Treat other employees, volunteers, trustees, and walkers with courtesy and respect.
- Comply with reasonable requirements or instructions given by trustees, coordinators, and other volunteers acting in leadership roles.
- Familiarise themselves with and adhere to Valeways policies and procedures (available on the Valeways website).
- Carry out Valeways tasks with honesty, integrity, care and diligence.
- Promote and protect the good reputation of Valeways.
- Preserve the confidentiality of Valeways information attained by them, and avoid dealing with the media on any Valeways issue unless specifically authorised to do so.
- Be prepared to participate in any informal briefings or more formal training sessions organised by Valeways.
- Not act in a way which is discriminatory towards individuals or groups for reasons of age, disability, sexual orientation, class, ethnicity, race, colour, faith, marital status or gender.
- Take reasonable steps to ensure the health, safety and welfare of themselves, other volunteers, staff, trustees and walkers.
- Avoid inappropriate physical contact unless in an emergency situation.

Policy Review

The Trustees have a responsibility to review this policy every two years.

Copies of all other Valeways policies are available on the Valeways website.