



## H&WRFC Guidelines For The Use Of Social Media

**Heathfield & Waldron Rugby Club promotes the core values of Rugby Union:**

- Teamwork
- Respect
- Enjoyment
- Discipline
- Sportsmanship

**These guidelines reflect these Core Values and the use of social media in relation to the game of rugby and Heathfield & Waldron RFC. They cover the use of internet sites such as Facebook and Twitter.**

We expect all young people and adults to be responsible users of social media and to recognise the importance of staying safe while using the internet and other forms of communication for educational, personal and recreational purposes.

**Heathfield & Waldron RFC supports the age recommendations of all major social networking sites (eg. Facebook recommends that members should be at least 13 years of age).**

Members must understand that they are responsible for their actions when using social media to communicate with or about other club members.

**Coaches should not communicate directly with Junior Members via social media.**

Players and parents need to be aware that the Club reserves the right to take appropriate action against them if they are involved in incidents of an inappropriate nature that are considered to bring the Club's name into disrepute eg, cyber bullying or the use of images or other material that hurt other club members.

**Any reported incidents will be investigated as thoroughly as possible.**