

# **Bannockburn House Trust**

## **Bannockburn House Lettings Policy – April 2017**

### **Aim**

We want to bring about positive changes within our local communities by promoting greater use of Bannockburn House and its grounds. We have placed equality at the heart of the lettings policy, and wish to encourage groups and individuals from a diverse array of backgrounds and beliefs to use Bannockburn House.

This policy has been drawn up by the Bannockburn House Trustees to give a clear commitment to all groups and individuals that lets will be considered without discrimination of any kind.

The Bannockburn House Trust is able to provide assurances that House and grounds will be as accessible as possible by the community, and we agree to make these facilities available through controlled lettings whilst remaining committed to supporting and enriching the lives of those from the local community.

All local individuals and groups are encouraged to use Bannockburn House and we will not discriminate against people based on: their sex or gender, their race or ethnicity, their religion or beliefs, their sexual orientation, their political beliefs or associations, or their age. Nor will we discriminate because they are disabled, are pregnant, are married, or are in a civil partnership.

As such, letting of the facility will be constantly reviewed to ensure that it meets the needs of the local community.

Whilst the Trust is going through the purchasing process to obtain control over Bannockburn House, and whilst the extensive renovations are undertaken, there may be some restrictions on lettings in place to facilitate renovation and user safety. However, the Trust will maintain a positive presumption in favour of lets to ensure that the community can continue to use and enjoy Bannockburn House.

We want to help build strong communities, in which:

- people feel they belong
- their lives are appreciated and valued
- people have similar life opportunities, and
- strong, positive relationships develop between people of different beliefs and backgrounds