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Whitchurch Tennis Club consider that it is more practical for players to come to the venue already changed, wearing suitably warm clothing e.g. tracksuits, and go home afterwards to change and shower. However, if players have no other way of changing into suitable tennis attire then the following guidelines must be adhered to.

POLICY ON THE USE OF CHANGING IN OUR WELFARE ROOM

Whitchurch strives to ensure that all children (anyone under 18) are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

This policy applies to all staff, coaches, volunteers, players, parents/carers and any other individuals associated with Whitchurch Tennis Club.

This document sets out the Whitchurch Tennis Club policy for the acceptable use of changing in our Welfare room.

- 1. Groups of children will have sole use of the Welfare room when changing clothes. This reduces any risks and potential vulnerability associated with mixing adults and children when changing.
- 2. If adults and children need to share our Welfare room, they will do so at different times.
- 3. Under no circumstances will adult staff, coaches or volunteers change at the same time as children using the Welfare Room.
- 4. Mixed gender groups of children will use the same Welfare Room but at different times.
- 5. If we are made aware that a child or adult self-identifies as a gender that differs from the gender they were assigned at birth, we will work with them and their parents/carers (where it relates to a child) to make reasonable adjustments to changing arrangements to suit their needs (n.b. for more information on this please go to https://thecpsu.org.uk/help-advice/topics/lgbt-voung-people-and-sport/)
- 6. Mobile phones and other electronic devices must not be used in changing rooms.
- 7. For younger groups of children, a DBS checked member of staff or volunteer will wait outside the Welfare Room to allow children to call for assistance if required.
- 8. No child or member of the tennis club under 18 years of age is permitted to access the fridge in the Welfare Room

