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## **Defibrillator Policy**

The health and wellbeing of residents is at the heart of the Community Councils activities. This policy is intent on ensuring residents and visitors to our community have easy access to a defibrillator and bleed control kits.

## The Community Council will:

- With support from partners, provide defibrillators throughout our community wards so that most dwellings are within 500m of a device. The cabinets will be locked for security, lit to aid access and be identifiable as the responsibility of St Nicholas with Bonvilston Community Council. The defibrillators will be tagged to aid their return to the council after use.
- Register all its defibrillators on The Circuit.
- Provide guardians for the defibrillators this will normally be the Clerk and Chair of the Community Council.
- With support from partners, ensure consumables are replaced immediately when required to maximise availability.
- Reimburse and show our appreciation of residents who provide space and electrical connections for cabinet heaters and lights – an annual honorarium of £60 will be paid each May.
- Provide residents with free training in the use of defibrillators and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) as necessary.
- Include Bleed Control / First Aid kits within its defibrillator cabinets.