

## Use of Club Changing Rooms and Toilets

Stewarton Tennis Club strives to ensure that all children are safeguarded from abuse and have an enjoyable tennis experience.

While the Clubhouse is typically closed with no means of access for Members the Club does allow access to the toilets during coaching camps, matches, tournaments, and Open Days.

The Male and Female toilets are accessed via the Male and Female changing rooms respectively.

**Please note that these changing rooms are not to be used as the Clubhouse is not fit for purpose and we wish to discourage its use as best we can.**

**The Club therefore requests that all members, parents, and travelling teams / players arrive dressed for on court play without requiring to make a change of clothing. During inclement weather tracksuits, bags, outer sportswear can be left in the main part of the Clubhouse until required.**

If for any reason there is an occasion to use the Changing Rooms then then the following policy will apply:

1. Groups of children will have sole use of changing rooms (see 2 below).
2. If adults and children need to share our changing rooms, 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 changing rooms.
4. Mixed gender groups of children will have access to separate changing rooms
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.
6. Mobile phones and other electronic devices must not be used in changing rooms.
7. For younger groups of children, a PVG'd certified coach or volunteer will wait outside the changing rooms to allow Juniors\*\* to call for assistance if required.

***\*\* Please note that the Club Child Supervision Policy deems that Juniors age seven or under should have a parent / carer to hand on the Club premises, Sports Centre , Competition venues etc. Children under this age should never be left unsupervised by a parent/carer even if there are other adult venue members or staff present. If the parent/carer is unable to supervise their child, arrangements need to be made by the parent/carer to designate an alternative adult to supervise. The venue and child must be aware of any such arrangements.***