

Easy Read Conflict of Interest Policy

what this policy is about

Sometimes people have **different interests** that can get in the way of making fair choices.

This is called a **conflict of interest** 🐴 .

At Soaring Sparrows, we promise to:

- Be fair and honest
- Put participants first
- Be open and transparent
- Tell you if a conflict happens

What is a conflict of interest?

- Perceived conflict
 — It looks like there could be a problem, even if there isn't

Example:

A staff member recommends a service where their friend works = **conflict of interest**.

1 A staff member accepts money from a participant = **conflict of interest**.

What staff must do

Staff and contractors must:

- 1. Frield the Director if they have a conflict
- 2. ## Fill out a Conflict of Interest Form in **Splose**
- 3. Wait for the Director to approve how it will be managed
- 4. Not pressure participants to choose a certain service or provider
- 5. The Say no to gifts or benefits (only small tokens, like a handmade card, are okay)

🗼 What participants can expect

You have the right to:

- Know if there is a conflict of interest
- Make your own choice about services
- Get fair, honest information
- Say no to using any service we suggest
- Have your information recorded safely in Splose

X How we manage conflicts

If a conflict happens, Soaring Sparrows will:

- Change staff or reallocate duties if needed
- Record the conflict in Splose
- Tell you about the conflict and your options
- Make sure your rights and choices come first

O Gifts and benefits

- X Staff cannot take money or expensive gifts
- Small thank-you gifts (like homemade food or a card) are okay
- All gifts must be reported and recorded in Splose

Who to talk to

If you are worried about a conflict of interest, contact:

- Director: Kathryn Soar
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Or you can contact:

- This is your Easy Read guide to Conflict of Interest. If you want the **full policy**, please ask us.