

# Supporting your new rebels

## Access needs

Find out about your new rebel's access needs and any other ways they may need to be kept safe. These may include any disclosed disability that might affect their participation in our community (such as the use of assistive technologies to read emails and the web) as well as participation in events (such as physical access needs, mental-health issues and dietary or other invisible needs).

Gathering this information must always take account of someone's right not to disclose anything, as well as their need of proper support if they do disclose something.

## Keeping each other safe

Any organisation needs to keep its members safe, and we need to make sure that we know if anyone in our community might be classed as vulnerable. If you find any concerns related to a Rebel (whether about their needs or about their potential impact on other Rebels), you may need to draw up a support plan so that Rebels can be protected from anyone who might harm them, either deliberately or accidentally. You should draw up a support plan in consultation with the Rebel who is its focus, and assure them what we want them to take part and are aiming to provide them with the support they need to do this safely.

## Where else can rebels get support?

Please signpost your New Rebels to the pages **How we care for one another?** and **How we protect one another?** in the **Rebel Next Steps Pack** where they can access information on:

- The Trained Emotional Support Network
- Grief Tending
- Self-care
- XR Community Groups
- XR Open Homes
- National Helplines

Please check your New Rebels have read **How we protect one another?** in the **Rebel Next Steps Pack** and understand the behaviour they are expected to follow.

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