

PEMBROKE CC

CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

1. Our club aims to promote participation in cricket within the community with new and existing members while making sure that all children in our membership and visitors to our club are safeguarded from any possible breaches in child protection.

2. At our club we are fully committed to the health, safety and well-being of all our children and it is of paramount importance to all the adults who work or volunteer here. All of our children have the right to safeguarding, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity or disability to the well-being of its members and visitors. We are also committed to establishing a safe physical environment in which children can play and develop to achieve enjoyment and success as within the *Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport*.

3. Risk assessment

We have carried out an assessment of any potential risk for harm to a child while availing of our services. Below is a list of the risks identified and how to manage these risks.

	Activity	Risk	Who is at risk	Risk Level	Action
1	Physical contact	Harm by adult or child	Child	Med	See club policy
2	Bullying	Harm by adult or child	Child	Low	See club policy, Anti Bullying.
3	Photography/Video	Images being shared/stolen to/by public	Child	High	See club policy, photography
4	Social media/text/PM	Contact with adult/child unknown content	Child	High	See club policy, social media
5	One to one coaching	Harm by adult, Inadequate supervision	Child/Adult	Low	See club policy
6	Changing rooms	Inadequate supervision	Child/Adult	Med	See club policy, supervision.
7	Child playing in Open competitions	Injury, Unknown people	Child/Adult	High	Safety regulations implemented.
8	Away games/tours /Transport	Inadequate supervision	Child/Adult	High	See club policy, Transport
9	Late collection of child	Child going home alone, Inadequate supervision	Child/Adult	High	Two adults wait with 2 or more children.

4. Roles and responsibilities

The Role of the DLP

Mary Sharp, is the Designated Liaison Person for Safeguarding (DLP). The role of the DLP includes providing support to members and other adults to carry out their safeguarding duties and liaising closely with other services such as children's welfare.

The DLP is always available for members to discuss any safeguarding concerns. The Designated Liaison Person is responsible for reporting allegations or suspicions of child abuse to TULSA Child and Family Agency and/or An Garda Siochan. It is recommended that this person is a senior club person.

The Role of the CCO

Sean Smith, is the Club Children's Officer (CCO). The role of the CCO is to take responsibility for monitor and reporting to the club managing committee on how the club policy impacts on young people and sports leaders. They are the link between the children and the adults in the club. They support and action the implementation of the clubs policies and best practice.

5. Procedures

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, the Children First: National Guidance and Tusla's Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice. In addition to the procedures listed in our risk assessment, the following procedures support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our service:

- Procedure for management of allegations of abuse.
- Procedure for safe recruitment of workers and volunteers.
- Procedures for provision of and access to child safeguarding training and information.
- Procedure for reporting welfare concerns
- Procedures for appointing a relevant person.

All procedures and policies listed are contained in our Child Safeguarding Policy document and are available on request.

6. Implementation

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. Our club is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm while availing of our services. This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed every 2 years, or as soon as practicable after that has been a material change in any matter to which the statement refers.

Signed:

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