



The Kendleshire

SAFEGUARDING & CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

The Kendleshire Golf Club acknowledges its duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of all children (defined as those under 18) involved in golf within the club. The Kendleshire is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and child protection requirements.

All children have a right to protection, and have their particular needs taken into account.

The Kendleshire Golf Club will therefore endeavour to ensure the safety and protection of all children involved with the club through the Child Protection guidelines adopted by the Management and Committee of the club. It is the responsibility of all adults within the club to assist the Management and Committee in this endeavour.

The policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, gender, religion or beliefs, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or socio economic background all children. The club is here

- To provide children with appropriate safety and protection whilst in the care of the club and also help them to enjoy their experience of the sport.
- To reassure parents that their children will receive the best practicable care possible whilst participating in activities within the club.
- To provide support to staff and volunteers to make informed and confident responses to specific child protection issues and to fulfil their role effectively.

All suspicions and allegations of abuse and poor practice will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.

All staff and volunteers working at the club have a responsibility to report concerns to the Club Welfare Officer Mr Patrick Murphy.

Adults – staff, volunteers, coaches, referees and members will be supported to understand their role and responsibility with regard to the duty of care and protection of children and young people.

The Kendleshire Golf Club's Child Protection Policy will be available to all members, parents, staff, volunteers and participants.

The Policy will be reviewed every three years by the Management Committee, and amended as appropriate. Guidance from golf's governing bodies will be sought as part of the review process.

The Management Committee has responsibility for ensuring that the policy and procedures are implemented, including taking any appropriate disciplinary action necessary.

The Club Welfare Officer has responsibility for responding to any allegations, concerns or child protection incidents, passing information to the appropriate National Governing Body Lead Child Protection Officer and informing the appropriate club staff.

Parents have a responsibility to work together with the club in implementing procedures and providing their children with the necessary information to safeguard themselves.

Pat Murphy
Welfare Officer
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