

Child Protection /Safeguarding and Harassment Policy

The Club is fully committed to safeguarding the wellbeing of its members. All members should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club.

The Club believes that taking part in Paddle sport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's/vulnerable adults' lives and to achieve this the Club has the following aims:

- Club coaches should follow the Code of Conduct for Coaches
- All club coaches, helpers and officials working with young people should read and adhere to the British Canoeing Safeguarding and Guidance (link Below) the club will follow the guidance of the policy in the event of any concerns or allegations.
- The Club will ensure that anyone working with young people and vulnerable adults undertakes a screening procedure.
- All Club members are made aware of the Club Code of Conduct.
- The Club will obtain written medical details of child / vulnerable adult paddlers which will be made known to coaches where deemed appropriate and/or necessary.
- The Club has appointed **Clare Bevan** as its Safeguarding Officer whose role it is to deal with any issues concerning Protection or Harassment of Children or vulnerable adults. Tel Number 07769 848307.

If unavailable they can contact the NSPCC Child Protection Helpline on 0808 800 5000. Or

British Canoeing Guidance britishcanoeing safeguarding andsafeguarding-contacts

The Club will review this Policy annually.