

MOVEMENT PARK



SAFEGUARDING POLICY OF 'MOVEMENT PARK (SCIO)'

1. Policy Statement

Movement Park is fully committed to safeguarding the welfare of all children and vulnerable adults in its care. It recognises the responsibility to promote safe practice and to protect children and vulnerable adults from harm, abuse and exploitation. For the purposes of this policy and associated procedures a child is recognised as someone under the age of 18 years.

Staff and volunteers will work together to embrace difference and diversity and respect the rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

2. Commitment

This document outlines Movement Park's commitment to protecting children and vulnerable adults.

These guidelines are based on the following principles:

- The welfare of all those within our care is the primary concern.
- All children and vulnerable adults, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, socio-economic status, religious belief and/or sexual identity have the right to protection from all forms of harm and abuse.
- Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.
- Children and vulnerable adults have the right to express views on all matters which affect them, should they wish to do so.
- Organisations shall work in partnership together with children and parents/carers to promote the welfare, health and development of children.

Movement Park will:

- Promote the health and welfare of children and vulnerable adults by providing opportunities for them to take part in sport and physical activity safely.
- Respect and promote the rights, wishes and feelings of children and vulnerable adults.
- Promote and implement appropriate procedures to safeguard the wellbeing of children and vulnerable adults and protect them from abuse.
- Recruit, train, support and supervise its staff, members and volunteers to adopt best practice to safeguard and protect children and vulnerable adults from abuse and to reduce risk to themselves.
- Require staff, members and volunteers to adopt and abide by this Safeguarding Policy and subsequent procedures.
- Respond to any allegations of misconduct or abuse of children and vulnerable adults in line with this Policy and subsequent procedures as well as implementing, where appropriate, the relevant disciplinary and appeals procedures.
- Observe guidelines issued by local Safeguarding Committees for the protection of children and vulnerable adults.
- Regularly monitor and evaluate the implementation of this Policy and subsequent procedures.

3. Review

This Policy and subsequent Procedures will be regularly reviewed:

- In accordance with changes in legislation and guidance on the protection of children and vulnerable adults or following any changes within Movement Park.
- Following any issues or concerns raised about the protection of children and vulnerable adults within Movement Park.
- In all other circumstances, at least every three years.

Movement Park Board

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