Ulverston Canoe Club

Child & Vulnerable Groups Safeguarding Policy & Guidance

Policy:

Ulverston Canoe Club recognises the need to safeguard the wellbeing of all of its members and in particular children and vulnerable groups. As such, all members are expected to be aware of and comply with this policy.

All members, prospective members and guests are expected to show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and to conduct themselves in a manner which reflects the ethos of the Club.

All members should make themselves aware of and conduct themselves according to the guidelines detailed in British Canoeing's "Child and Vulnerable Groups Protection Policy updated 040315" which is available by following the link below or may be viewed on the Club's website.

https://f58619eed67ecf47f9c5-69635130c45beb2524d5bafa9c042fe0.ssl.cf3.rackcdn.com/commonUploads/P1-British-Canoeing-Child-and-Vulnerable-Groups-Protection-Policy-030315.pdf

Club coaches and Activity Leaders are also expected to comply with the British Canoeing's "Code of Ethics" available via the link below or on the Club's website.

https://www.britishcanoeing.org.uk/uploads/documents/British-Canoeing-Code-of-Ethics-2016_170913_134328.pdf

Guidance:

The Club has two Welfare Officers (details from any committee member or the Club's website) who are available to any member, prospective member or guest with any questions or concerns in the area of safeguarding. Members may also contact any committee member or British Canoeing directly. In any case, matters raised will be dealt with confidentially and according to British Canoeing guidelines

British Canoeing Safeguarding Officer * - Telephone 07734453430

(* This function is provided by an independent external specialist (WT Associates) contracted by British Canoeing. If you cannot get through to someone straight away, leave a message and you will be called back as soon as possible.)

Additionally, in Cumbria we have access to our County Child Services team where the point of contact is one of the Local Authority Designated Officers who may be contacted as below.
To speak to a LADO, contact Cumbria Safeguarding Team who will take your details and ensure a LADO returns your call. LADO working hours are Monday to Thursday 9am to 5pm, Friday 9am to 4.30pm; allegations raised will be dealt with according to the LADO Allegations Management Procedure
Telephone 01768 812267 or outside normal hours contact the Emergency Duty Team on 0333 240 1727

Alternately you may send completed LADO Allegation Notification forms to the Cumbria Safeguarding Hub, using any of the following methods:

Fax: 01768 812090
Email: lado@cumbria.gov.uk
Post: LADO, Cumbria Safeguarding Hub, Skirsgill Depot, Penrith, Cumbria, CA10 2BQ

LADO - Allegation Notification Form (Doc)

Please note if you are worried that a child is at **risk of immediate harm** please contact the Cumbria Safeguarding Hub on **0333 240 1727** or see How to refer a child.

LADO Allegations Management Procedure: Multi-agency Procedures

Declaration of Intent

The Club hereby declares that this policy is adopted by the members and committee of the Club.

Name (print):	Barry Curley	Name (print): Judith Curley
Position in Club:	Chair	Position in Club: Secretary
Signed on behalf of the Committee:		Signed on behalf of the Committee
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Date: 21st February 2019		Date: 21st February 2019