

Ardleigh Green Cricket Club Safeguarding and Child Protection Overview – 2018

Any individual, organisation, club or County Board has a duty of care to ensure the safety and welfare of any child involved in related activities, to safeguard and protect them from reasonably foreseeable forms of harm. At Ardleigh Green Cricket Club we are committed to safeguarding children and young people and we expect everyone who is associated with the club to share this commitment. Safeguarding children is everyone's business.

Health and Safety:

At AGCC Health and Safety is taken seriously and therefore the club fully adopts:

Wearing of Helmets
Fielding Regulations
Net Safety
Bowling Directives
First Aid
Fluid Intake
Junior Players in Open Age Cricket

Use of changing rooms and showering facilities:

The club has adopted the following best practice principles and these must be adhered to:

- Adults must not change, or shower, at the same time, using the same facility as children
- Adults should change at separate times to children during matches
- If adults and children need to share a changing facility, the club must have consent from parents that their child(ren) can share a changing room with adults in the club
- If children play for Open Age teams, they, and their parents, must be informed of the club's policy on changing arrangements
- Mixed gender teams must have access to separate male and female changing rooms
- Mobile phones must not be used in changing rooms
- No child will be made to shower / change

Photography, Video and use of Images

- Photos of children will only be used on Social Media with consent from parents

Guiding principles that club adheres to:

- Photographs/images are not to be taken at matches or training without the prior permission of the parents/carers of the child. This permission can be given by proxy by the coach of each team only after parental consent for this has been granted.
- If no consent has been given for a child on the Player Profile form, then it is to be made known to the relevant person of the other team (e.g. coach/team manager) so the appropriate person/s taking photographs for the other team is/are aware and can avoid taking photographs of that particular child
- The children should be informed a person will be taking photographs
- The children should be informed that if they have concerns they can report these to the coach or team manager
- Concerns regarding inappropriate, or intrusive, photography should be reported to the Club Welfare Officer and recorded in the same manner as any other child protection or safeguarding concern
- Videoing for coaching may be used to support development, but this will only be with consent.

Transporting children to and from matches

- Parents are responsible for safe delivery and collection of their child for matches and training.
- Coaches and club are responsible for children during training and matches.
- If being transported by another adult this should be arranged between and by parents – written consent must be given.

Registration and Supervision

- Children to be signed in and out. Children must be signed in before commencing coaching session.
- Parent to inform coach or team / manager at end of session that they are taking their children.
- If child is to go home alone after training / matches, written consent must be given prior to this.
- Training 6pm – 7.15pm
- Under 8 – parent / carer to remain on site of training
- 8 – 11 – another parent can act in loco parentis and inform at registration

Thank you for taking the time to have read this information.

