**TRANSPORTING CHILDREN POLICY**

• This policy applies to parents, carers, coaches and other club officials. ‘Children’ includes ALL under 18’s.

• Coaches and club officials will be responsible for children in their care after signing in with the coach/manager/club official at club premises or indoor training, and after arrival at opponent’s cricket grounds.

• The club must receive permission from parents/carers for children to participate in all competitions and away fixtures/events.

• Harpenden Cricket Club will notify parents/carers that parents/carers are always responsible for the safe delivery and collection of their child for matches or training.

• Parents/carers will be informed at the start of season of all fixtures with a transport requirement to enable appropriate arrangements to be made.

• If parents/carers are unable to make appropriate arrangements themselves the club must receive permission from the parents/carers to make arrangements to transport their child.

• Parent/carers should inform the team manager or coach if no arrangements have been made.

• It is not the responsibility of the coach or team manager to transport the children to and from the club.

• The manager, coach or club official may offer transport to players. No manager, coach or other club official shall be the only adult with a young person or group of young people other than their own children.

• If a coach/manager/club official offers to transport a child the parent/carer is responsible for ensuring pick up and collection arrangements are adhered to.

• Coach/manager/club official will inform parents if the return time is changed. Parents will rearrange transporting the child to their home