



Wiltshire Cricket

Wiltshire Cricket Limited Safeguarding Statement

Wiltshire Cricket Limited is committed to safeguarding and protecting children, young people and adults at risk to enjoy the game of cricket. Wiltshire Cricket acknowledges its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of every child, young person and adult at risk who has been entrusted to its care, and is committed to ensuring that all children, young people and adults at risk participating in cricket activities have a safe and positive experience.

Individually and collectively, we are signed up to the ECB Safe Hands Policy (and will continue to subscribe to any future versions of the policy) and are committed to deliver the ECB Safeguarding Standards as set out in the County Partnership Agreement.

We recognise our collective and individual safeguarding responsibilities and accountabilities.

We do this by:

- Implementing preventative safeguarding measures that create safe and enjoyable cricket settings.
- Having clear, simple processes in place for reporting concerns.
- Ensuring safeguarding concerns regarding children and adults at risk are managed appropriately and thoroughly in conjunction with the ECB, Statutory agencies and other organisations as appropriate.
- Recognising that all children participating in cricket (regardless of age, gender, race religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability) have a right to have fun and be protected from harm in a safe environment.
- Ensuring that individuals working within cricket at or for Wiltshire Cricket provide a safe, positive and fun cricketing experience for children.
- Adopting and implementing the ECB's "Safe Hands – Crickets Policy for Safeguarding Children".
- Overseeing and supporting affiliated clubs in appointing Club Safeguarding Officers and ensuring that they attend all current and future training modules required by the ECB & the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC), so that they have the necessary skills to be able to undertake their role effectively.
- Ensuring that all people who work at Wiltshire Cricket, (such as staff, officials, volunteers, Team Managers, Coaches, etc) understand that the policy applies to them according to their level of contact with the children and/or young people in cricket.
- Ensuring that all individuals working within cricket at or for Wiltshire Cricket are recruited and appointed in accordance with ECB guidelines
- Ensuring that all individuals working within cricket at or for Wiltshire Cricket are provided with support through education and training so that they are aware of and can adhere to good practice and code of conduct guidelines defined by both the ECB and Wiltshire Cricket.
- Ensuring that the name and contact details of the County Safeguarding Officer for Wiltshire Cricket is available:



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- as the first point of contact for parents, children, volunteers and staff within Wiltshire Cricket;
- as a local source of procedural advice for Wiltshire Cricket, its board and its members;
- as the main point of contact within Wiltshire Cricket for the ECB Child Protection Team; and
- as the main point of contact within Wiltshire Cricket for relevant external agencies in connection with child welfare.
- Ensuring that correct and comprehensive reporting procedures exist for raising and managing safeguarding and child protection concerns. Such procedures recognising the responsibility of the statutory agencies and in accordance with pre-defined safeguarding and child protection procedures as defined by the ECB, statutory agencies and Local Safeguarding Child Board (LSCB) guidelines and policies.
- Providing everyone accessing cricket within Wiltshire (including parents, children and volunteers) with the opportunity to voice any concerns which they have (about possible suspected child abuse, and/or about poor practice) to the County Welfare Officer.
- Ensuring that all suspicions, concerns and allegations are taken seriously and dealt with swiftly and appropriately.

County Safeguarding Structure

Board Safeguarding Lead

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Dan Howells	dan.howells@wiltshirecricket.co.uk	07540 083974

County Safeguarding Officer

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Deputy Safeguarding Officer

This is the individual or individuals that will deputise in the event of the County Safeguarding Officer being on leave or unavailable.

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