



LOWESTOFT AND OULTON BROAD MOTOR BOAT CLUB Safeguarding Children, Young People and Adults at Risk, Policy Statement in conjunction with the CPA.

As defined in the Children Act 1989, for the purposes of this policy anyone under the age of 18 should be considered as a child. The policy also applies to adults at risk. For the purposes of this policy, 'adult at risk' refers to someone over 18 years old who, according to paragraph 42.1 of the Care Act 2014:

- has care and support needs
- is experiencing, or is at risk of, abuse or neglect
- as a result of their care and support needs is unable to protect himself or herself against the abuse or neglect or the risk of it.

It is the policy of LOBMBC to safeguard children and adults at risk taking part in boating from neglect, physical, sexual or emotional harm. The Club will take all reasonable steps to ensure that, through appropriate procedures and training, children and adults at risk participating in club activities do so in a safe environment. We recognise that the safety and welfare of the child and adult at risk is paramount and that all children and adults at risk, whatever their age, gender, disability, culture, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, social status or sexual identity, have a right to protection from abuse.

The Club actively seeks to:

- Create a safe and welcoming environment, both on and off the water, where children and adults at risk, can have fun and develop their skills and confidence.
- Recognise that safeguarding children and adults at risk is the responsibility of everyone, not just those who work with children and adults at risk .
- Ensure that LOBMBC-organised training and events are run to the highest possible safety standards.
- Be prepared to review its ways of working to incorporate best practice.

We will:

- Treat all children and adults at risk with respect and celebrate their achievements.
- Carefully recruit and select all volunteers and contractors.
- Respond swiftly and appropriately to all complaints and concerns about poor practice or suspected or actual abuse.

This policy relates to all volunteers and contractors who work with children and/or adults at risk in the course of their club duties. It will be kept under periodic review. All relevant concerns, allegations, complaints and their outcome should be notified to:

The Club Safeguarding Lead,
Joy Shulver,

Telephone: 07880 500370 on race days,

01502 573112 or e-mail joy.shulver@btinternet.com at other times.

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