# **GO BUILD CLUB**

# **Child Protection Policy**

It is the policy of Go Build Club to safeguard children and young people attending the club from physical, sexual or emotional harm. The Club will take all reasonable steps to ensure that children participating in Club activities do so in a safe environment.

We recognise that the safety and welfare of the child is paramount and that all children, whatever their age, gender, disability, culture, ethnic origin, colour, religion or belief, social status or sexual identity, have a right to protection from abuse.

For the purposes of this policy anyone under the age of 18 should be considered as a child. All members of the Club should be aware of the policy.

## **Club Welfare Officer**

The Club Welfare Officer is Amanda Davies. (Contact at Amandagroomdavies@gmail.com). The Club Welfare Officer must undergo a Basic Disclosure Check.

#### **Volunteers**

All Club volunteers whose role brings them into regular contact with young people must undergo a Basic Disclosure Check.

## **Good Practice**

No child below the age of 16 years may attend the club unless that child's parent or an adult acting "in loco parentis" is also present at all times.

## Photography / filming and Social Media

The Club will seek written consent from the child and their parents / carers before taking photos or video at the club or an event, or publishing such images. Parents / carers will be required to sign a declaration (included in the registration form) agreeing to avoid taking photos or videos of other children. If other children are unavoidably visible in any photos of their own children, parents / carers agree not to share or publish these images, including posting on social media without permission. In addition, members will agree to refrain from naming, commenting on, or discussing details of other members on Social Media without permission. If the Club publishes images of children, no identifying information will be included. Any concerns about inappropriate or intrusive photography, the inappropriate use of images or inappropriate use of Social Media should be reported to the Club Welfare Officer.

## Concerns

Anyone who is concerned about a young member's welfare, either outside or within the Club, should inform the Club Welfare Officer immediately, in strict confidence. The Club Welfare Officer will call 999 and notify the parents if a child is in immediate danger. Any other concerns will be addressed to the child's parents and / or Social Services as appropriate.

Any member of the Club failing to comply with the Child Protection Policy may be asked to leave the club.

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