



## BARNES CRICKET CLUB – SAFEGUARDING POLICY STATEMENT



**Barnes Cricket Club is firmly and enthusiastically committed to ensuring that cricket provides a safe, friendly and enjoyable experience for all children (persons under the age of 18)**

### **Barnes CC will:-**

- Recognise and honour the right of every child to participate in cricket activities, regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability.
- Recognise that safeguarding in Cricket is based upon the concept of providing an enjoyable cricket environment that is tailored to the needs and requirements of children
- Ensure our appointed coaching staff hold ECB coaching qualifications, thus ensuring individuals working within cricket at, or for, our club provide a welcoming, safe, and fun experience for children, whilst ensuring each coach knows how the “Safe Hands” policy applies to them
- Ensuring all individuals working within cricket at, or for, the club are recruited and appointed in accordance with ECB guidelines and relevant legislation, including Disclosure/Barring Checks, First Aid Course & Safeguarding Children Courses
- Ensuring all individuals working within cricket at, or for, the club are provided with support, through education and training, so they are aware of, and can adhere to, good practice and Code of Conduct guidelines defined by the ECB, and the club (see Club Code of Conduct)
- Fully support and endorse the ECB “Safe Hands” Policy
- Have an appointed Club Welfare officer, who has attended the required ECB training modules, including “Safe Hands” and “Safeguarding Children”
- Ensure the Club Welfare Officer’s name and contact details are freely available to the following as first and main point of contact in the event of any concern regarding Child Safeguarding, either internally/externally from the club
  - Parents
  - Junior members
  - Club officers & coaching staff
  - County Board Welfare officer/ECB Safeguarding Team

This will ensure correct and comprehensive reporting procedures are in place for raising and managing of any child safeguarding concerns

- Provide an environment where the views of children, parents and volunteers are sought and welcomed on a range of issues. This will help us create an environment where people



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have the opportunity to voice any concerns (about possible suspected child abuse/neglect, and/or about poor practice) to the Club Welfare Officer \*

\*Details of the County Welfare Officer will be made available, in case the Club Welfare officer is unavailable, or the concern relates to the Club Welfare officer

- Ensure all suspicions concerns and allegations are taken seriously and dealt with swiftly and appropriately
- Ensure access to confidential information relating to child safeguarding matters is restricted to those who need to know in order to safeguard children – including the Club Welfare Officer and the appropriate external authorities, such as the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO), as specified within ECB child safeguarding procedures
- Will take steps to ensure that any photographic or video images taken as part of junior cricket activities are used appropriately and solely for the purpose of promotion and enjoyment of cricketing activities. If you DO NOT WISH for your child to be photographed during the club's cricket activities or do not wish any photographic or video images to be published in an authorised Barnes CC publication or press article contact [admin@barnescc.co.uk](mailto:admin@barnescc.co.uk)



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