

## HORSFORTH HALL PARK | cricket club



Members of the Airedale & Wharfedale Senior Cricket League Members of the Airedale Junior League Members of the Headingley & District Twenty20 Evening League

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## **Club Safeguarding Policy Statement**

Horsforth Hall Park CC ('The club') is committed to ensuring all Children (i.e. all persons under the age of 18) participating in cricket have a safe and positive experience. We will do this by:

- Recognising all children participating in cricket (regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability) have the right to have fun and be protected from harm in a safe environment.
- Ensuring individuals working within cricket at, or for, our club provide a welcoming, safe and fun experience for children.
- Adopting and implementing the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB) "Safe Hands Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children" and any future versions of this.
- Appointing a Club Welfare Officer and ensuring they attend all current and future training modules required by the ECB.
- Ensuring all people who work in cricket at, or for our club (such as staff, officials, volunteers, team managers, coaches and so on) have a responsibility for safeguarding children and understand 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.
- 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 as defined by the ECB and the club.
- Ensuring the name and contact details of the Club Welfare Officer is available:
  - -as the first point of contact for parents, children and volunteers/staff within the club
  - -as a local source of procedural advice for the club, its committee and members
  - -as the main point of contact within the club for the ECB County Welfare Officer and the ECB Safefguarding Team; and
  - -as the main point of contact within the club for relevant external agencies in connection with child safeguarding.
- Ensuring correct and comprehensive reporting procedures exist for raising and managing child safeguarding concerns.

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- Providing an environment where the views of children, parent and volunteers are sought and welcomed
  on a range of issues. This will help us create an environment where people 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.
- Ensuring all suspicions, concerns and allegations are taken seriously and dealt with swiftly and appropriately.
- Ensuring 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.

Policy adopted at the Annual General Meeting of the club held on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2015.