

## STRATHCLYDE LOCH SAILING CLUB

### CHILD WELL-BEING AND PROTECTION POLICY

**Strathclyde Loch Sailing Club** is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of all children in its care. It recognises the responsibility to promote well-being and safe practice and to protect children from harm, abuse and exploitation. For the purposes of this policy and associated procedures a child is recognised as someone under the age of 18 years.

Committee Members and volunteers will work together to embrace difference and diversity and respect the rights of children and young people.

**Our commitment to protecting children is based on the following principles:**

- The well-being of children and young people is the primary concern.
- All children and young people, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, socio-economic status, religious belief and/or sexual identity have the right to protection from all forms of harm and abuse.
- Child well-being and protection is everyone's responsibility.
- Children and young people have the right to express views on all matters which affect them
- **Strathclyde Loch Sailing Club** will work in partnership together with children and young people and parents/carers to promote the well-being, health and development of children and young people participating in the sport.

**We will:**

- Promote the health and well-being of children by providing opportunities for them to take part in sport safely.
- Respect and promote the rights, wishes and feelings of children.
- Promote and implement appropriate procedures to safeguard the well-being of children and protect them from abuse.
- Recruit, train, support and supervise staff, members and volunteers to adopt best practice to safeguard and protect children and young people from abuse and to reduce risk.
- Require staff, members and volunteers to adopt and abide by this Child Well-being and Protection Policy Statement and associated procedures.
- Respond to any allegations of misconduct or abuse of children and young people in line with the Child Well-being and Protection Responding to Concerns Procedure as well as implementing, where appropriate, the relevant disciplinary and appeals procedures.
- Regularly monitor and evaluate the implementation of this policy and these procedures.

**We will regularly review this policy and associated procedures:**

- In accordance with changes in legislation and guidance on the protection of children and young people. Or following any changes within **Strathclyde Loch Sailing Club**.
- Following any issues or concerns raised about the well-being and protection of children and young people within **Strathclyde Loch Sailing Club**.
- In all other circumstances, at least every three years.

**Signed on behalf of Strathclyde Loch Sailing Club by:-**

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PRINCIPAL

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