



CHILD & VULNERABLE ADULT PROTECTION POLICY

Meedies Bike Club is fully committed to safeguarding the welfare of all children & vulnerable adults in its care.

It recognises the responsibility to promote safe practice and to protect children & vulnerable adults from harm, abuse and exploitation.

All those who represent the club will work together to embrace difference and diversity and respect the rights of all.

This policy outlines Meedies Bike Club's commitment to protecting children & vulnerable adults in its care.

- The welfare of children & vulnerable adults in its care is the primary concern.
- All club members, 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.
- The protection of children & vulnerable adults in the club is everyone's responsibility.
- Members have the right to express views on all matters which affect them, should they wish to do so.
- The club will work to promote the welfare, health and development of all its members.
- The club will promote the health and welfare of children & vulnerable adults in its care by providing opportunities for them to take part in club activities safely.
- The club will respect and promote the rights, wishes and feelings of children & vulnerable adults.
- The club will promote and implement appropriate procedures to safeguard the wellbeing of children & vulnerable adults and protect them from abuse.
- The club will train, support and supervise its leaders, members and volunteers to adopt best practice to safeguard and protect children & vulnerable adults in its care from abuse and to reduce risk to themselves.
- The club require leaders, members and volunteers to adopt and abide by this policy and these procedures.
- The club will respond to any allegations of misconduct or abuse of children in line with this policy as well as implementing, where appropriate, the relevant disciplinary and appeals procedures.
- Observe guidelines issued by local Child Protection Committees for the protection of children.
- The club will regularly monitor and evaluate the implementation of this Policy and these procedures.

Review

- This Policy and these Procedures will be regularly reviewed in accordance with changes in legislation and guidance on the protection of children & vulnerable adults.
- Following any issues or concerns raised about the protection of children & vulnerable adults in its care within the club.
- In all other circumstances, at least every three years