

Tamar canoe Association

Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults Policy – February 2020

The Tamar Canoe Association takes Safeguarding children, young people and Vulnerable Adults seriously and as such adheres to the recognised best practice guidelines with particular reference to British Canoeing : Codes of Conduct and ethics as outlined on the British Canoeing website and this policy has been developed in line with these.

The Tamar Canoe Association is fully committed to safeguarding the wellbeing of its members. All members should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the club.

We believe that taking part in Paddlesport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's and vulnerable adults lives and to achieve this have the following aims:

- Club coaches and helpers should follow the British canoeing (BC) Code Of Ethics.
- All Club coaches, helpers and officials working with young people and vulnerable adults should read and adhere to the British Canoeing Safeguarding Children's Policy and Safeguarding Adult policy. The club will follow the guidance of the policy in the event of any concerns or allegations.
- The Club will ensure that anyone who meets the eligibility criteria for a Disclosure check will not be deployed until a satisfactory check has been returned.
- Ensure that all coaches working with young people complete the BC requirement for Child protection Training.
- Ensure all club members are aware of the Club's code of conduct and the named person's within the Club who are responsible for dealing with Child Protection and Vulnerable Adult issues.
- The club will obtain written medical details of young paddlers which will be made known to coaches, where deemed appropriate and/or necessary.

- Any paddler who coaches for the club should be a member of British Canoeing. The club will encourage and support helpers to gain qualifications and assist coaches to stay updated.
- The club will appoint Club Welfare Officers whose roles are to deal with any issues regarding Safeguarding and notify these to all members. Anyone with concerns with respect to the welfare of a club member or participant should contact Di Luckhurst 078454955780 or Emma Lock 01503240411. Who will refer the matter to British Canoeing for Guidance.

Concerns for a Child's welfare outside of the Club

Where a member of the club/ Coach suspects that a child or young person attending the club has suffered or is likely to suffer significant harm if action is not taken, then members will raise this with the Child Protection Officer who will make the appropriate referral to British Canoeing

BCU contact Nancy Squires 0115 8968842 mobile 07540739391
safeguarding@britishcanoeing.org.uk

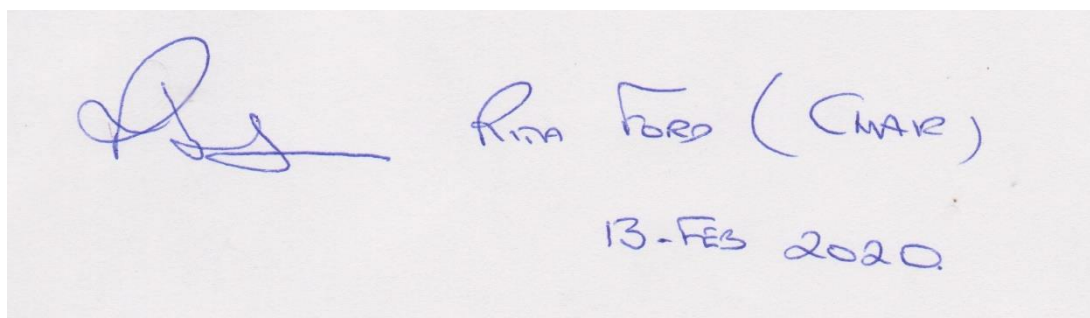
If the matter is urgent and direct contact with British Canoeing is not possible:-
 the Local Children's Services Department.

the NSPCC Child Protection Helpline – 0808 800 5000

Childline 0800 1111 www.childline.org.uk

Police 999 or 111

In the event of any incident the club will follow the latest reporting procedure as outlined on the British Canoeing Website.



Anna Ford (Chair)
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