

Vulnerable Adults and Child Protection Policy

Urchinwood Manor has a moral and legal obligation to ensure that vulnerable adults and young people participating in their sport can do so in a safe environment. All coaches and volunteers must ensure that they give the highest standard of care and act in accordance with the club's policy.

Urchinwood Manor will ensure that it provides quality opportunities for young people and vulnerable adults;

- The welfare of the person is paramount
- All children and vulnerable adults, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language have the right to be protected from abuse
- All suspicions and allegations of abuse will be taken seriously and responded to appropriately
- All coaches and volunteers have a responsibility to report concerns of abuse to the club's Child Protection Officer, Sally Hall

All adults involved in the club in either a paid or unpaid capacity will be subject to a number of checks to ensure their suitability of working with children:

- DBS check
- Attend First Aid courses
- Attend Safeguarding Children course
- Be/become suitably qualified as a coach
- Ensure they are covered by the club's insurance

Volunteers will be required to undertake a DBS check.

Photography

If at any time coaches wish to use photographic or video equipment as a coaching aid, parents and young people will be made aware that it is part of the coaching programme and how the footage will be used and stored.

Responding to Allegations

It is not the responsibility of any coach or volunteer at Urchinwood Manor to decide whether or not abuse has taken place. However, it is the responsibility to act on concerns and allegations by referring them to the Child Protection Officer, Sally Hall, who will pass details to the relevant authority. Any concerns about suspected abuse occurring must be reported to Sally Hall on 01934 833248.

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