

## Safeguarding Team at **Fun Football Coaching**

### Lead Designated Safeguarding Officer:

Jason Elwell is the main person to contact if you have a concern.

### Contact details:

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In case of an allegation made against the Lead, please contact Mark Roach.

### Contact details:

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**In the case of an emergency or immediate threat call the police.**

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## Safeguarding Children and Young People

Guidance for adults visiting and working at **Fun Football Coaching**.

Whether you are an employee, parent, or visitor, we all play a part in keeping children and young people participating or working at a **Fun Football Coaching** session safe. Whilst awareness and common sense, this leaflet briefly sets out useful guidance for the safety of all.

A copy of the Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy is available upon request.

## **Safeguarding Children and Young People**

We, the coaches and staff at Fun Football Coaching, take our duty to protect children and young people very seriously. We recognise our legal and ethical responsibility to take all reasonable steps to promote safe practice and to protect children and young people from harm, and exploitation. We will do this by:

- I. Operating each session as safely as possible.
  - II. Ensuring that the best safe recruitment procedures are applied when appointing staff and volunteers.
  - III. Following the procedures in our safeguarding policy (as we have close contact with children and young people, we are in a position to observe signs of possible abuse, changes in behaviour, or failure to perform or develop as expected; we also may receive disclosures from a child or young person who has been abused, or from an adult who has committed abuse); and
  - IV. Fulfilling our “duty of care” by maintaining current and up to date policies and procedures and signposting the most appropriate training and other safeguarding support resources.
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### **What is abuse?**

#### **Physical:**

Where a child’s body is deliberately hurt or injured

#### **Sexual:**

Where adults use children, or their images, to satisfy sexual desires; other children can also be abusers

#### **Emotional:**

Where children may be deprived of love, continually shamed and taunted, given responsibility beyond their years, or witness ill treatment of others.

#### **Neglect:**

A persistent failure to meet a child’s physical and/or psychological needs.

## **Safeguarding guidelines**

What to do if a child or young person discloses abuse to you:

- I. Always take what a child or young person says seriously and allow them to speak without interrupting and keep an open mind.
- II. Be understanding and reassuring, be aware of your reaction but do not offer your opinion.
- III. Do not investigate
- IV. Explain that you will support them, but you must pass the information on to someone that can help.
- V. Do not delay. Tell the lead safeguarding officer (DSO) immediately.
- VI. Write detailed and factual notes of what was said using the child's actual words and record the date and time of the disclosure and sign the record.
- VII. Observe confidentiality