



Maypole FC acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice requirements.

The policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, gender, religion or beliefs, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation or socioeconomic background, all children. Have a positive and enjoyable experience of sport at MAYPOLE FC in a safe and child-centred environment It also aims to ensure that all young people are protected from abuse whilst participating in the activity provided.

Maypole FC acknowledges that some children, including disabled children and young people or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

As part of our safeguarding policy, Maypole FC will promote and prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children and young people, ensuring everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and young people.

We aim to ensure appropriate action is taken in the event of incidents/concerns of abuse and support provided to the individual(s) who raise or disclose the concern.

We aim to ensure that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored.

We aim to prevent the employment/deployment of unsuitable individuals.

We aim to ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation.

The policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for everyone involved. Failure to comply with the policy and procedures will be addressed without delay and may ultimately result in dismissal/exclusion from the organisation.

The policy will be reviewed a year after development and then every three years, or in the following circumstances changes in legislation and/or government guidance as required by the Local Safeguarding Children Board, UK Sport and/or Home Country Sports.