



Safeguarding Policy

HINCKLEY CANOE CLUB

Hinckley Canoe Club Welfare Officer – Hayley Clarke, 07900357795

Hinckley Canoe Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of all its members, ensuring a positive and enjoyable experience for all.

As a club we believe that the welfare of children & vulnerable adults is everyone's responsibility particularly when it comes to protection from abuse.

Good practise Guidelines

By following these guidelines you will help to protect both yourself as a coach/volunteer and the children/vulnerable adults within your care

- Avoid situations where you are alone with any child or vulnerable adult
- Ask paddler before providing and form of physical support
- Parents are always responsible for their children within changing rooms and whilst kitting up
- Ensure any claims or abuse are taken seriously and dealt with by the welfare officer
- Follow the Hinckley Canoe Club photography guidelines

What is abuse?

Generally there are four main types of abuse – Physical, Sexual, Emotional & Neglect
There are many indicators that a child or vulnerable adult is being abused.

It is important that if you suspect anything to contact the Hinckley Canoe Club Welfare Officer immediately.

If a child/vulnerable person tells you that he or she is being abused,

- Stay calm
- Do not promise to keep it to yourself
- Listen to what the individual has to say and please take it seriously
- Do not ask the child leading questions
- Make a detailed note of what you have been told and pass the information onto the relevant person immediately

Please remember that it is not your decision to decide whether someone is being abused or not, it is just your responsibility to report any concern that you may have.

Name – Dave Clarke

Position on committee – Chairman

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