



Make It Happen Club SCIO Safeguarding Policy

Last Updated: 16th Jan 2024

Purpose and Scope

Make It Happen Club engages with children and families through activities such as inspiring digital learning, app design competitions, workshops, hackathons, and teacher resource materials. The purpose of this policy is:

- To protect children and young people receiving Make It Happen Club's services, including the children of adults who use our services.
- To provide overarching principles guiding our approach to child protection for parents, staff, and volunteers.

This policy applies to anyone working on behalf of Make It Happen Club, including senior managers, the board of trustees, paid staff, volunteers, sessional workers, agency staff, and students.

Legal Framework

This policy is based on legislation, policies, and guidance designed to protect children in the UK. A summary of key legislation and guidance is available at <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-protection-system/>

We Believe That:

- Children and young people should never experience any form of abuse.
- We have a responsibility to promote the welfare of all children, keep them safe, and operate in a way that protects them.

We Recognize That:

- The welfare of the child is paramount.
- All children have a right to equal protection from harm or abuse.
- Some children are additionally vulnerable due to various factors.



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We Will Seek to Keep Children Safe By:

- Valuing, listening to, and respecting them.
- Appointing a nominated trustee safeguarding lead (Alan Torrance - Trustee)
- Developing child protection and safeguarding policies and procedures reflecting best practice.
- Sharing concerns and relevant information through safeguarding procedures.
- Creating an anti-bullying environment and implementing effective online safety policies.
- Sharing information about child protection and safeguarding best practices.
- Recruiting staff and volunteers safely with necessary checks.
- Providing effective management through supervision, support, training, and quality assurance.
- Implementing a code of conduct for staff and volunteers.
- Managing any allegations against staff and volunteers appropriately.
- Establishing effective complaints and whistleblowing measures.
- Ensuring a safe physical environment and applying health and safety measures.
- Recording and storing information professionally and securely.

Additional Policies

This policy should be read alongside our Secure Handling policy, Code of Conduct, Online safety policy, Child Protection Policy, Anti Bullying Policy and guidance document on recognizing abuse and handling disclosures.

Contact Details

Nominated Trustee Safeguarding Lead

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Review Details

- Created by: Frances Wallace (Make It Happen Club Principal Engineer)
- Approved by: Alan Torrance (Make It Happen Club Trustee)

We are committed to reviewing our policy and good practice annually.



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Time of Next Review: Jan 2025