

Board Safeguarding Statement of Commitment

Rise is fully committed to promoting the safety and welfare of children, young people, and adults at risk when participating in sport and physical activity across the region. We have achieved the advanced level of the NSPCC Child Protection in Sport Unit's (CPSU) standards for safeguarding and protecting children in sport and physical activity and are working hard to continually improve our safeguarding practices.

Rise aims to contribute to safeguarding children, young people, and adults at risk by:

- 1. Meeting the requirements of the NSPCC Child Protection in Sport Unit's Standards for Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Sport
- 2. Implementing and demonstrating best safeguarding practice when employees and others working directly under the auspices of Rise are providing services, activities and programmes for children, young people, and adults at risk (this includes, inter alia, those individuals putting the welfare and safety of the participants first at all times, undertaking a DBS check if eligible, following codes of conduct, undertaking risk assessments, knowing who they should contact with any concerns, as well as acting upon any concerns that they have etc)
- 3. Requiring those individuals and organisations that are funded or commissioned by Rise to provide any services for children, young people, and adults at risk to effectively address safeguarding requirements
- 4. Raising awareness about the importance of safeguarding, and ensuring it is at the forefront of partners', deliverers' and coaches' minds
- 5. Promoting effective safeguarding principles and practices through Rise's wide range of partners, including, inter alia, the importance of organisations having (and adhering to) a safeguarding policy with clear procedures in place, appointing a designated safeguarding officer who is appropriately trained, and following safe recruitment practices etc.
- 6. Supporting those working in the sport and physical activity sector by giving them the knowledge and guidance about what they need to do to safeguard children, young people, and adults at risk, and minimise avoidable risks
- 7. Highlighting the importance of listening to and respecting children, young people and adult at risks' views and contributions, including the importance of consulting with them to ensure the effective delivery of sport and physical activity

Rise's trustees and employees are fully committed to the principles within this statement.