

Child Protection Policy Statement



Our safeguarding policy

Christchurch Music Centre CIC 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 socio-economic background, all children have a right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse.

The purpose of this policy is:

- To protect children and young people at Christchurch Music Centre.
- To promote a positive and enjoyable experience at Christchurch Music Centre in a safe and child centred environment
- To provide staff and volunteers with the overarching principles that guide our approach to safeguarding.

Christchurch Music Centre believes that a child or young person should never experience abuse of any kind. We have a responsibility to promote the welfare of all children and young people and to keep them safe. We are committed to practice in a way that protects them.

We will seek to keep children and young people safe by:

- Valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- Ensuring robust safeguarding arrangements are in operation
- Ensuring all necessary checks are made of staff and volunteers
- Sharing concerns with agencies who need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately.

We are committed to reviewing our policy and good practice annually

This policy was last reviewed on: 19th February 2018

Signed: AK

Role: Chair person

Date: 24th February 2018