

SUDBURY CANOE CLUB

AFFILIATED TO THE BRITISH CANOE UNION



Child and Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy

Our Canoe Club (Sudbury Canoe Club) is fully committed to safeguarding the well being of its members. All members should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the club.

We believe that taking part in paddlesport should be a positive and enjoyable part of children's/vulnerable adults lives and to achieve this have the following aims:

Club coaches should follow the BCU Coaches & Official Code of Conduct, which is available from The Club Co-ordinator or from the BCU (available on the web site www.bcu.org.uk)

All club coaches, helpers and officials working with young people should read and adhere to the BCU Child Protection and Harassment Policy. The Club will follow the guidance of the policy in the event of any concerns or allegations. This policy is available from The Club Junior Officer, Tony Wheadon.

The Club will ensure that anyone working with young people and or vulnerable adults is appropriately supervised and if instructing on a regular basis undertake a screening procedure, namely a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) formerly CRB.

All the club members are made aware of the Club Code/s of Conduct FB, website and email and a hard copy is available on request.

The Club will obtain written medical details of child/vulnerable adult paddlers which will be made known to coaches where deemed appropriate and/or necessary. Parents/Guardians will be asked to complete a declaration form on joining The Club and when appropriate a Consent Form these forms to be held by the Junior Officer.

The Club will only use BCU qualified/updated coaches – others wishing to instruct can only work alongside a qualified coach. The club will encourage and support those willing to gain qualifications, and assist coaches to stay updated.

The Club has appointed the Junior Officer to deal with any issues concerning Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults and all members will be notified of this person. Anyone with concerns with respect to children or vulnerable adults should contact the Junior Officer, Tony Wheadon on Tel: 07752 587423 If the Junior Officer is unavailable they can contact the Club Chairman or the BCU Child Protection/Harassment Officer on Tel: 07890 700890.

The Club will adopt and regularly review a Health and Safety Policy.

The Club will review this policy annually.

Signed

Date

Position: Chairman

