

20<sup>th</sup> March 2018

# **Sunbeam Alpine Owners Club Limited Safeguarding Policy**

This policy applies to all Committee Members, Club Members and all others associated with the club or attending events as organised by the Sunbeam Alpine Owners Club Limited, (SAOC).

## The purpose of this policy.

- To protect children and young people who are associated with the membership of the Sunbeam Alpine Owners Club Limited. This includes the children of adults who use our services.
- To provide members with the overarching principles that guide our approach to safeguarding and child protection

The Sunbeam Alpine Owners Club Limited 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 practise in a way that protects them.

## Legal framework

This policy has been drawn up on the basis of law and guidance that seeks to protect children, namely:

- Children Act 1989
- United Convention of the Rights of the Child 1991
- Data Protection Act 1998
- Human Rights Act 1998
- Sexual Offences Act 2003
- Children Act 2004
- Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006
- Protection of Freedoms Act 2012
- Children and Families Act 2014

#### Self assessment tool resource

- Special educational needs and disability (SEND) code of practice: 0 to 25 years statutory guidance for organisations which work with and support children and young people who have special educational needs or disabilities: HM Government 2014.
- Information sharing: Advice for practitioners providing safeguarding services to children, young people, parents and carers, HM Government 2015

• Working together to safeguarding children: a guide to inter-agency working to safeguard and promote the welfare of children; HM Government 2015.

# This policy should be read alongside our policies and procedures on:

- Role of the designated safeguarding officer
- Dealing with disclosures and concerns about a child or young person
- Managing allegations against members
- Recording and information sharing
- Complaints
- Whistle blowing
- Health and safety

# We recognise that:

- The welfare of the child is paramount, as enshrined in the Children Act 1989
- All children, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have a right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse.
- Some children are additionally vulnerable because of the impact of previous experiences, their level of dependency, communication needs or other issues
- Working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

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

- Valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- Appointing a Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO) for children and young people
- Adopting child protection and safeguarding practices through procedures and a code of conduct for staff and volunteers

#### Self assessment tool resource

- Developing and implementing an effective e-safety policy and related procedures
- Recording and storing information professionally and securely and sharing information about safeguarding and good practice with children
- Using our safeguarding procedures to share concerns and relevant information with agencies who need to know
- Using our procedures to manage any allegations against members
- Ensuring that we have effective complaints and whistle blowing measures in place
- Ensuring that we provide a safe physical environment for our children, young people by applying health and safety measures in accordance with the law and regulatory guidance

#### Contact details

Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO) and lead for Safeguarding

Name Allan Appleby

# **Other Responsible Agencies**

CEOP www.ceop.police.uk,

NSPCC Helpline Tel: 0808 800 5000

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

This policy was last reviewed on: 20/03/2018

Signed: Signed copy available on request.

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