



## **Botany Bay Cricket Club**

### **Safeguarding Policy**

#### **Policy statement**

We acknowledge the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and are committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and the ECB requirements to ensure that all children participating in Cricket have a safe, positive and fun experience, whatever their level of involvement.

Botany Bay Cricket Club (The Club) is committed to ensuring all children (i.e all persons under the age of 18 ) participating in cricket have a safe and positive experience.

#### **We do this by:**

- 1) Putting things in place
- 2) Having the Right People in Place
- 3) What do you do if you have a concern?
- 4) Cricket Specific Guidance

#### **Putting things in place**

- Recognising that all Children participating in cricket (regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability) have a right to have fun and be protected from harm in a safe environment.
- Ensuring that individuals working within cricket at or for The Club provide a safe, positive and fun cricketing experience for children.
- Adopting and implementing the ECB 'Safe Hands-Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children' and any future versions of this.
- Ensuring all individuals working within cricket at, or for, The Club are provided with support, through education and training so that they are aware of and can adhere to good practice and code of conduct guidelines defined by both the ECB, and The Club.

#### **Having the right people in place**

- Ensuring that all people who work in cricket at or for The Club, (such as staff, officials, volunteers, team managers, and coaches and so on) have a responsibility for safeguarding children, and understand how the Safe Hands Policy applies to them according to their level of contact with children in cricket.

- Ensuring that all individuals working within cricket at or for The Club are recruited and appointed in accordance with ECB guidelines and relevant legislation.
- Appointing a Club Safeguarding Officer and ensuring that they attend all current and future training modules required by the ECB, so that they have the necessary skills to be able to undertake their role effectively.

### **Club Safeguarding Officer's Role**

- As the first point of contact for parents, children and volunteers/staff within the club.
- As a local source of procedural advice for the club, its committee and its members.
- As the main point of contact within the club for the ECB County Safeguarding Officer and the ECB Child Protection Team.
- As the main point of contact within the club for relevant external agencies in connection with child safeguarding.

Our Club Safeguarding Officer's details are below-

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### **What do you do if you have a concern?**

We ensure all suspicions, concerns and allegations are taken seriously and dealt with swiftly and appropriately. Please contact the Club safeguarding Officer if you have any concerns.

We ensure access to confidential information relating to child safeguarding matters, is restricted to those who need to know, in order to safeguard children – including the Club Safeguarding Officer and the appropriate external authorities, such as the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO), as specified within ECB child safeguarding procedures.

### **Cricket Specific Advice**

We ensure all individuals working within cricket at, or for, the club are provided with support, through education and training, so they are aware of, and can adhere to, good practice and Code of Conduct guidelines defined by the ECB, and the club.

We ensure all people who work in cricket at, or for, our club (such as staff, officials, volunteers, team managers, coaches and so on) understand how the "Safe Hands Policy" applies to them.

### **Monitoring**

The policy will be reviewed every three years from the Date of Creation, or in the following circumstances;

- Changes in legislation and/or government guidance
- As required by the County Safeguarding Officer, UK Sport and the ECB
- As a result of any other significant change or event

(The above policy has been developed from 'ECB' Safeguarding Policy Statement for cricket from the Club "Safe Hands" Crickets Policy for Safeguarding Children)

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