

County Durham Sport Partnership Safeguarding and Protecting Working Group

Terms of Reference

Name

The group shall be known as the County Durham Sport Partnership “Safeguarding and Protecting Working Group”.

Purpose

To make County Durham a safer place for all children, young people and vulnerable adults to participate in sport and physical activity through effective safeguarding measures regardless of their age, culture, disability, gender, racial origin, religious belief and/or sexual identity.

Objectives

- Review and amend as necessary relevant Child Protection Policies and Procedures for Sport
- Meet the requirements of the Standards for Safeguarding and Protecting Children in Sport (CPSU 2002)
- Work to establish and implement agreed, consistent minimum safeguarding standards for sports activities locally
- Promote good practice and challenge unsafe practice
- Develop awareness raising and training opportunities for staff and volunteers
- Develop promotional literature and campaigns
- Improve communication between agencies and individuals
- Ensure the voluntary sector who have a responsibility for Child Protection have access to advice and support
- Monitor compliance with child protection policies

Membership

- County Durham Sport Strategic Partnership Manager
- County Durham Sport Partnership Support Manager
- Local Authority Lead Officers (x 7)
- School Sport Partnership Lead Officers (1 representative)

The group will co-opt additional members from organisations with common purpose or specialist knowledge to assist the needs of work areas as determined by the group

It is expected that each member of the group disseminates information (as necessary) through their own organisation (or other group in respect of personnel).

Meetings

- The group will meet on a quarterly basis except in exceptional circumstances
- An agenda and supporting documents will be circulated a minimum of 7 days prior to each meeting.
- Partners should contact the chair at least 2 weeks prior to the next meeting date to add an item to the agenda.
- The County Durham Sport Core Team will provide secretarial support to the group.