

# Senior Match Day Safeguarding Policy

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## Statement of Intent

The matchday safeguarding plan compliments the existing safeguarding policies and procedures held by the Club.

The Safeguarding Plan applies to all match days and summarises the arrangements specifically relating to safeguarding. The purpose of this plan is to ensure that effective Club specific processes and procedures are agreed and implemented in order to safeguard all those involved in the match day event, whether as staff, participant, spectator or player. It is important to have procedures in place to ensure there is a clear, effective and consistent response for dealing with concerns of possible abuse and harm to children and adults at risk.

## Managing safeguarding concerns and incidents

Remember, it is not the responsibility of club volunteers/staff to decide if abuse has taken place, but it is everybody's responsibility to act on any concerns.

If the victim is in need of urgent medical treatment, the person raising the concerns needs to contact the designated site first aider and the emergency services immediately. In the case of a safeguarding issue the emergency services should be advised accordingly.

## Lost and/or missing children

Lost and/or missing children will be managed by a designated Club Wellbeing Officer as per Club standard operating procedure. The Club Wellbeing Officer should be notified if the circumstances of the child being lost and/or missing raise a potential safeguarding concern. For example, if the parent/carer is intoxicated and the child has been lost due to the actions of the parent/carer.

## Club Welfare Officer Contacts

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