

Youth Brass 2000 Safeguarding Policy Statement

The purpose and scope of this policy statement

Youth Brass 2000 works with children and families as part of its activities. These include brass band rehearsals, concerts and contests.

The purpose of this policy statement is:

- To protect children and young people who are part of the Youth Brass 2000 organisation. This includes the children of adults who are part of the Youth Brass 2000 organisation
- To provide parents, management and volunteers with the overarching principles that guides our approach to child protection.

This policy statement applies to anyone working on behalf of Youth Brass 2000 including the management committee, volunteers and parents.

Legal framework

This policy has been drawn up on the basis of legislation, policy and guidance that seek to protect children in England. A summary of the key legislation and guidance is available from www.nspcc.org.uk/childprotection.

We believe that:

- Children and young people should never experience abuse of any kind
- We have the responsibility to promote the welfare of all children and young people, to keep them safe and to operate in a way that protects them.

We recognise that:

- The welfare of the child is paramount
- All children, regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation 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 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, listening to and respecting them
- Appointing a Designated Safeguarding Lead and a Deputy Safeguarding Lead
- Developing child protection and safeguarding policies and procedures which reflect best practice
- Using our safeguarding procedures to share concerns and relevant information with agencies who need to know, and involving children, young people, parents, families and carers appropriately
- Creating and maintaining an anti-bullying environment and ensuring that we have a policy and procedure to help us to deal effectively with any bullying that does arise
- sharing information about child protection and safeguarding best practice with children, their families, staff and volunteers
- recruiting staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made
- providing effective management for staff and volunteers through supervision, support, training and quality assurance measures
- implementing a code of conduct for staff and volunteers
- using our procedures to manage any allegations against staff and volunteers appropriately
- ensuring that we have effective complaints and whistleblowing measures in place
- ensuring that we provide a safe physical environment for our children, young people, staff and volunteers, by applying health and safety measures in accordance with the law and regulatory guidance
- recording and storing information professionally and securely

Related policies and procedures

This policy statement should be read alongside our organisational policies and procedures, including:

- Whistleblowing Policy
- Role of the Designated Safeguarding Lead
- Safer Recruitment Policy
- Code of Conduct
- Anti-bullying Policy

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This policy was last reviewed on: 16th June 2019

Signed:

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Don Collins - chairman

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