



## CHILD PROTECTION POLICY STATEMENT

Southwell Squash Club acknowledges its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of every child and young person who has been entrusted to its care and is committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for all of our members so that they can participate enjoyably in squash and racketball in a relaxed and secure atmosphere.

We do this by:

- Appointing a Child Protection Officer who is responsible for children and young people, who will take specific responsibility for child safety and who will act as the main point of contact for parents, children and outside agencies.
- Recognising that all children and young people, have the right to freedom from abuse.
- Ensuring that all our coaches, officials and volunteers are carefully selected and by accepting responsibility for helping to prevent the abuse of children and young people in their care.
- Responding swiftly and appropriately to all suspicions or allegations of abuse, by providing parents and children with the opportunity to voice any concerns they may have.
- Ensuring access to confidential information is restricted to the person responsible for children and young people or the appropriate external authorities.
- Reviewing the effectiveness of the England Squash & Racketball Child Protection Policy and its activities each year at the Annual General Meeting.

Richard Wilson is our Club Child Welfare Officer and he is the first point of contact for all club members and parents or guardians regarding concerns for the welfare of any child or young person. He has a proactive role in increasing an awareness of poor practice amongst club members.

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