

Ellenborough Table Tennis Club

Welfare, Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy

Ellenborough Table Tennis Club is committed to safeguarding the well-being of all its members and users. All members and users should show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of others and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the club.

With regard to the welfare, safeguarding and protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults, Ellenborough Table Tennis Club believes in and seeks to uphold the following principles :-

- The child / young person / vulnerable adult's welfare is paramount.
- All children and young people whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, racial origin, religious belief and sexual identity have the right to protection from abuse.
- Staff, officials and volunteers will act and seek appropriate advice upon any concerns or allegations in relation to children, young people and vulnerable adults.
- Staff, officials and volunteers will adopt and abide by Ellenborough TTC's policy and guidelines which are in line with and adopted from Table Tennis England's Codes of Conduct.

The aim of this policy is therefore to promote good practice by ensuring that all Ellenborough members, officials, coaches and volunteers :-

- are fully aware of their responsibilities with regard to the safeguarding of children, young people and vulnerable adults.
- safeguard and promote the interests and well being of young people with whom they are working.
- Respect and promote young people's rights, wishes and feelings.
- Make informed and confident responses to child protection issues and consult the club's Welfare & Child Protection Officer for further advice and guidance.
- Matters of concern should be raised at the earliest opportunity with an appropriate person i.e. a member of the coaching or club staff, but should also be reported to the W&CP Officer at the club to check the matter has been followed up.

The Welfare & Child Protection Officer for Ellenborough is Olive Millar and he can be contacted on 07746 710 788 or by email at olive.millar@gmail.com.

The Club will follow Table Tennis England's guidelines regarding anyone who meets the criteria for a Disclosure check (DBS). For more information go to the Table Tennis England website.

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