



Sutton Bowling Club Ltd Safeguarding Policy

1. All members of Sutton Bowling Club Ltd, have a right to feel safe and protected from harm or abuse whilst on our premises or at another bowling facility.
2. The Directors will appoint a suitable Board member to be the Safeguarding Officer of the Club. The identity of this person should be widely known and their details should be clearly displayed for all to see.
3. It is the responsibility of Directors to ensure that, as far as possible, every member feels confident in the fact that if, on any occasion, they have cause for concern that there is a mechanism in place to deal sensitively with the matter. If necessary the
4. Disciplinary measures outlined in the Club's Articles of Association may be invoked.
5. All Directors, Committee members and coaches have a role in the prevention of harm and/or abuse. They have a responsibility to act immediately and alert the Safeguarding Officer, if they feel any member is being abused in any way or is at risk of harm either physically or mentally from a member of the Club or by an individual elsewhere.
6. The strictest confidentiality will be observed when any incident is reported to the
7. Safeguarding Officer.
8. The Safeguarding Officer will investigate, in an appropriate manner, any matter brought to his/her attention and any information gleaned will be kept confidentially. Any action or non-action to be taken, will be at the Safeguarding Officer's discretion.
9. Anonymous allegations will be investigated by the Safeguarding Officer but will be treated with utmost caution.
10. Any investigation found to be untrue or unfounded will be treated by the Safeguarding Officer in the strictest confidence.

Types of Abuse

Abuse is generally divided into seven umbrella categories which are:-

1. Physical
2. Emotional
3. Sexual
4. Neglect
5. Bullying and Cyberbullying
6. Financial
7. Racial/Religious

This document pertains to arrangements at Sutton Bowling Club Ltd.

This should be read in conjunction with the detailed Safeguarding Policy as issued by Bowls England.