

# ***BISHOP'S STORTFORD CANOE CLUB***

## **Child & Vulnerable Adults Protection Policy**

BSCC is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of its members. All members should show respect and understanding of the rights, safety and welfare of others, and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club.

We believe that taking part in Paddlesport should be a positive and enjoyable part of our member's lives and to achieve this have the following aims:

- BSCC coaches should adhere to the British Canoeing (BC) Coaches and Officials Code of Conduct
- All BSCC coaches, helpers and officials working with young people should read and adhere to the British Canoeing Child and Vulnerable Adults Policy. The Club will follow the guidance of the BC policy in the event of any concerns or allegations.
- BSCC is committed to on-going training in the area of child protection
- BSCC will obtain written medical details of young paddlers and vulnerable adults which will be made known to coaches where deemed appropriate and/or necessary.
- BSCC will ensure that anyone working unsupervised with young people or vulnerable adults undertakes a DBS check.
- All Club members will be made aware of the BSCC Codes of Conduct and Rules.
- BSCC will only use BC qualified coaches – unqualified assistants will only work alongside a qualified coach. The club will encourage and support helpers to gain qualifications and assist coaches to stay up-dated.
- BSCC will follow the BC guidelines for photography & video use
- BSCC will elect a Child Protection (Welfare) Officer and a deputy (where possible of the opposite sex). Anyone with concerns with respect to Child Abuse or Harassment should contact one of those people or the British Canoeing Child Protection Officer.
- BSCC will adopt a Safety Policy and review it annually
- BSCC will review this CP Policy annually at the time of the AGM.

**BSCC CHILD PROTECTION (WELFARE) OFFICER:**

**Jacqueline Cayford**

**Date: 3 October 2021**