

Gosforth Garden Village Association

Safeguarding Policy

1. Gosforth Garden Village Association (GGVA) believes that everyone has a responsibility to promote the welfare of all children, young people and vulnerable adults, to keep them safe and to practice in a way that protects them.
2. GGVA will make sure that all children, young people and vulnerable adults, who use our facilities, have the same protection regardless of age, disability, gender, sexual orientation, race, religion or belief.
3. GGVA recognizes the additional needs of children, young people and vulnerable adults from minority ethnic groups and those experiencing disability or difference, and the barriers they may face, especially around communication,
4. This policy statement is for all children and young people under the age of 18, it also applies to any adults who are identified or identify themselves as vulnerable,
5. GGVA is aware of the role of our Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) and a Local Safeguarding Adults Board (LSAB) and the current main legislation and guidance that supports the protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults and how this applies to the GGVA.
6. GGVA's safeguarding responsibility is limited to the provision of GGVA's facilities, and not any subsequent users/hirers (including the Gosforth Garden Village Bowls Club and the Gosforth Garden Village Tennis Club).
7. It is the responsibility of the Gosforth Garden Village Bowls Club and the Gosforth Garden Village Tennis Club and all hirers of the GGVA's facilities to have their own safeguarding officers and policies, where appropriate.
8. If there are any concerns about safeguarding matters, please contact safeguardingGGVA@hotmail.com
9. All concerns will be acknowledged, recorded, investigated and responded to in a timely manner.
10. This safeguarding policy will be made available to all Trustees and committee members of the GGVA management committee.
11. This policy was reviewed, updated and approved by the GGVA management committee on 7 May 2025.

This policy will be reviewed annually and refreshed every five years, unless otherwise required by the GGVA management committee and the Trustees.