



Child Safeguarding Statement

Forrest Little Golf Club is fully committed to safeguarding the wellbeing of Junior Golfers. Every individual in golf should always, show respect and understanding for all member's rights, safety and welfare and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of Forrest Little Golf Club and the guidelines contained in the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport Forrest Little Golf Club Safeguarding Policy and Golf Irelands Safeguarding Policy.

Forrest Little Golf Club first priority is the welfare of juniors and we are committed to providing an environment that will allow participants to perform to the best of their ability, free from neglect, emotional, physical and sexual abuse, bullying and intimidation. All leaders within Forrest Little Golf Club undergo the necessary Garda Vetting/Access NI checks, sign codes of conduct and complete the appropriate safeguarding training as required by legislation and best practice.

The central goal for all involved in Children's sport is to provide a safe, positive and nurturing environment where children can develop and enhance their physical and social skills. Forrest Little is committed to promoting a child centred ethos which is aligned with identifying and eliminating practices that impact negatively on safe and enjoyable participation in golf.

Based on this ethos Forrest Little Golf Club is committed to nurture, grow and develop Junior Golf based on the following principles and values:



Forrest Little Golf Club written Risk Assessment document indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring and gives the required policy, guidance and procedures required to alleviate these risks.

In addition to our risk assessment document described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children whilst they are availing of our activities. Forrest Little Golf Club has the following procedures in place as part of our Safeguarding Policies:

- Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities
- Procedures for the safe recruitment of staff and volunteers to work with children in our activities
- Procedures for access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm
- Procedure for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities

For further information in relation to safeguarding juniors or if you have a concern please contact our Club Children's Officer/Designated Liaison Person person(s) below. If you feel that a junior is in immediate danger contact Tulsa/Gateway NI or An Garda Síochána/PSNI.

Designated Liaison Person – Patsy Mohan

Club Children's Officer Girls – Maria McKeown

Club Children's Officer Boys – Maria McKeown

Signed: 

Position: Secretary Manager

On behalf of **Forrest Little Golf Club:**

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