

Llantwit Major Tennis Club Safeguarding Policy Statement

Llantwit Major Tennis Club acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults at risk. The club is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and LTA requirements. A copy of the club's full safeguarding policy and details of how to raise a concern are available on the dedicated safeguarding page on the club website:

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/LlantwitMajorTennisClub/Aboutus/Safeguarding>

Paper copies are also available in the document holder, on the wall, directly inside the clubhouse.

The club's safeguarding policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children and adults at risk are paramount in all circumstances. It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background, all children:

- have a positive and enjoyable experience of tennis at **Llantwit Major Tennis Club** in a safe and inclusive environment
- are protected from abuse whilst participating in tennis.

Llantwit Major Tennis Club acknowledges that some children, including disabled children and young people or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

As part of our safeguarding policy **Llantwit Major Tennis Club** will:

- promote and prioritise the safety and well-being of children and adults at risk
- ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and adults at risk
- encourage and maintain a culture where people feel able to raise a genuine safeguarding concern and are confident that it will be taken seriously
- ensure appropriate action is taken in the event of incidents/concerns of abuse and support provided to the individual/s who raise or disclose the concern
- ensure that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored
- prevent the employment/deployment of unsuitable individuals
- ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation

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The club's policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for everyone involved in **Llantwit Major Tennis Club**. Failure to comply with the policy and procedures will be addressed and may result in dismissal/exclusion from the club.

Whistleblowing

Anyone who does not feel comfortable raising a concern with the Club Welfare Officer should contact one of:

LTA Safeguarding Team:

Email: safeguarding@lta.org.uk or [LTA Report a concern](#)

Tennis Wales Safeguarding Lead:

07958 202952 (Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm)

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) (Vale of Glamorgan Children's Services)

Tel: 01446 725202 (Out of hours: 029 20 788570)

Local Authority Adult Services

Tel: 01446 700111

NSPCC

Tel: 0800 800 5000

Further details about whistleblowing can be found in the club's Whistleblowing policy on the club website.

Monitoring

The club's safeguarding policies will be reviewed every two years, or sooner in the following circumstances:

- changes in legislation and/or government guidance
- as required by the Local Safeguarding Children Board or LTA
- as a result of any other significant change or event.