

# Handbook Child Protection Officer(s)

## Wicklow Hockey Club

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1. Promote the voice of the child
2. Promote the voice of the child at Committee level
3. Adopt and promote a clearly defined method of recruiting and selecting coaches
4. To promote the Code of Ethics & Good Practice
5. To familiarise with Children First and Our Duty to Care to ensure they can act as an information source to other members of the organisation
6. To influence policy and practice and prioritise children's needs
7. To ensure that children know how and whom they can report their concerns to within the club  
Information disclosed by a child should be dealt with in accordance with the guidelines in the Code of Ethics for Hockey for Young People
8. To encourage the participation of parents/guardians in club activities
9. To co-operate with parents to ensure that each child enjoys his/her participation in hockey
10. To act as a resource with regard to best practice in children's hockey
11. To report regularly to the club management committee
12. To monitor changes in membership and follow up on any unusual drop-out, absenteeism or club transfers by children or coaches/volunteers
13. To ensure the welfare of any children taking part in the IHA Youth Leader programme

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