



# The Eastwood & District Motor Club Limited

## Child and young person safeguarding statement

Version	Club member responsible for maintaining this document	Revision date	Summary of Changes	Date endorsed by The Club Committee
V 0.1	Club Safeguarding Officer	n/a	No changes	2023.
This policy will be reviewed annually or when there is a legislative change or review due to lessons learnt or best practice guidance				

## *The Eastwood & District Motor Club Limited: Child Safeguarding Policy*

### **Our statement**

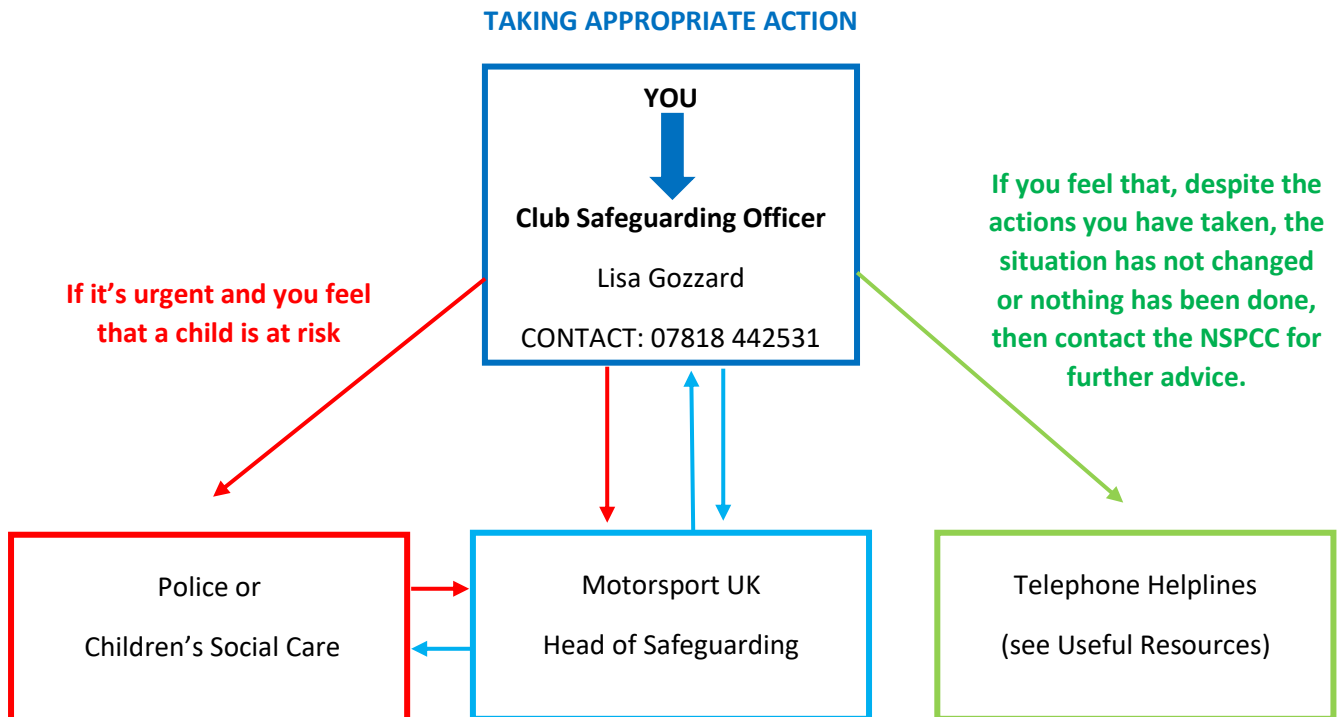
The Eastwood & District Motor Club Limited is committed to creating a safe and supported environment for all children and young people participating in the activities at our club. We acknowledge our legal and moral duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and are dedicated to ensuring our safeguarding practices reflect statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with the best practice and Motorsport UK safeguarding policies, procedures and regulations. In keeping with this commitment, we adopt Motorsport UK's Child Safeguarding Policy in order to strive towards the best possible support and protection of the young people in our club.

### **Our Policy**

The full policy can be found [here](#) and includes the policy principles which highlight the paramount, appropriate and equal nature of our commitment. In addition, the policy includes key definitions, legislation, and points of contact at Motorsport UK which clarifies the details of our responsibility. It also outlines specific requirements that we adhere to in order to protect everyone at our club, for example, having an appointed Club Safeguarding Officer who is easily contactable and who's services are promoted throughout the club, in addition we comply with DBS / PVG checks where required, and follow the list of good practice guidelines/code of conduct which all those at our club are expected to adhere to. Within their policy, Motorsport UK also outline how to share, refer and inform in a way that aligns with confidentiality requirements as well as maintaining the child's best interest in mind.

### **Protocol to be followed if someone discloses to you or you are concerned for a child's welfare**

It takes a lot of courage for anybody to disclose that they are being abused and there are even greater blocks for children and young people. If a child talks to a member of staff or a volunteer about anything that indicates a potential risk to their safety or wellbeing, the staff or volunteer member will, at the appropriate time, let the child know that in order to help them they must pass the information on to someone who can help or advise.



When sharing information, there are seven golden rules that should always be followed.

1. Seek advice if in any doubt
2. Be transparent – The Data Protection Act (DPA) is not a barrier to sharing information but to ensure that personal information is shared appropriately; except in circumstances where by doing so places the person at significant risk of harm.
3. Consider the public interest – base all decisions to share information on the safety and well-being of that person or others who may be affected by their actions.
4. Share with consent where appropriate. Where possible, respond to the wishes of those who do not consent to share confidential information. You may still share information without consent, if this is in the public interest.
5. Keep a record – record your decision and reasons to share or not share information.
6. Accurate, necessary, proportionate, relevant, and secure – ensure all information shared is accurate, up-to-date, necessary and share with only those who need to have it.

## Useful Resources

### Contacts

*Club Safeguarding Officer Profile and Contact details*

**Lisa Gozzard, 07818 442531 [sl.gozzard@outlook.com](mailto:sl.gozzard@outlook.com)**

*Motorsport UK Contact details*

**Email:** [safeguarding@motorsportuk.org](mailto:safeguarding@motorsportuk.org)

**Phone:** 01753 765000 – ask for safeguarding team

### Policies

*Child Safeguarding Policy*

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/>

*Social Media Policy*

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/>

*Anti-Bullying Policy*

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/resource-centre/>

### Helpful Resources

*How can sport safeguard children*

<https://thecpsu.org.uk/resource-library/videos/how-can-sport-safeguard-children/>

*Responding safely to a concern*

<https://thecpsu.org.uk/resource-library/webinars/responding-safely-to-a-concern/>

*Protecting children from grooming and sexual abuse*

<https://thecpsu.org.uk/resource-library/best-practice/protecting-children-in-sport-from-grooming-and-sexual-abuse/>