## Children and Vulnerable Adult Safeguarding Policy January 2024



Styx Centre is a public building with a playground attached which is accessible to all during the daytime and early evening for people to come and go as they please to either simply enjoy the facilities or to take part in the activities available. The building is fully secured at night after the last sessions have finished.

This statement of policy applies to anyone who uses or takes part in activities in Styx Centre premises and is in place to protect all children and vulnerable adults regardless of gender, ethnicity, disability, sexuality, religion or faith.

The welfare of any child or vulnerable adult is paramount and is the responsibility of everyone. All children and vulnerable adults have the right to protection from abuse whether physical, verbal, sexual, bullying, exclusion or neglect. All people associated with Styx Centre and its use have a responsibility for the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.

The management and staff will ensure that all hirers of the centre facilities are aware that any safeguarding of children or vulnerable adults is their responsibility. Regular hirers and organisations offering activities at the Centre have their own safeguarding procedures in place as appropriate to their particular activity and user group.

Everyone needs to be aware that facilities such as toilets and communal areas might be shared with other groups/users and that appropriate supervision/arrangements should be made.

Styx Centre management will ensure that hirers are made aware of their obligations under Licensing Laws to ensure that alcohol is not sold to those under the age of 18 and that no children may be admitted to films when they are below the age of classification for the film. No unlicensed gambling or entertainment of a sexual nature shall be permitted on the premises.

If you are aware of any incidents of abuse, suspicious behaviour or have any concerns at all in this regard please do not ignore them and contact the Centre Manager in the first instance. Any reports will be taken seriously and dealt with respectfully and appropriately; this may entail passing on details to the relevant organisation or authority. Alternatively, you can contact a relevant support organisation or the Guernsey Police directly.

## CONTACT DETAILS:

Email: office@styxcentre.gg Telephone : Office 267319 (8.30-2pm or answerphone) Out of hours emergency mobile: 07781 142434

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## CONTACT DETAILS FOR ORGANISATIONS IN GUERNSEY:

Multi Agency Support Hub (MASH) Services for Children and Young People - 01481 223182. Emergency Duty Team - 01481 222222. Island Safeguarding Children Partnership (ISCP) website – iscp.gg/worried-about-a-child. Guernsey Police for people of all ages – 01481 725111 (non-emergency) or 999 (emergency).

A copy of this policy will be available on Styx Centre website and will be displayed for the attention of all on the Centre notice board. The policy will be reviewed on a regular basis.

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