

Welfare Statement

Braunstone Cricketers Cricket Club (The Club) is committed to ensuring that all young people (aged under 18 years) who play cricket have a safe and welcoming environment that enables them to experience and enjoy all aspects of the game.

In order to achieve the above the club has adopted and is fully committed to the ECB document “Safe Hands – Welfare of young people in cricket”. This policy sets out a framework to fulfil the Club’s commitment to good practice and the protection of young people in its care within cricket.

The Safe Hands policy applies either directly or indirectly to all individuals working within cricket (whether paid or in a voluntary capacity) according to their level of contact with and responsibility towards young people in cricket. Should you have any doubt as to its relevance to your role within the club please contact David Speight (BCCC child welfare officer).

Underpinning Principles

- All young people in cricket, regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability, or disability, have the right to be protected in a safe environment.
- Adults working within cricket will provide a safe, positive and fun cricketing experience for young participants.
- Coaches and volunteers will understand their role and responsibilities with regard to the duty of care towards young people. (All coaches will be issued with a code of conduct – this will also be displayed on the club website for reference).
- The club will appoint a child welfare officer who will be sufficiently trained to act on and report any concerns relating to child welfare issues. It is the responsibility of the child protection experts to determine whether or not abuse has taken place, but it is the responsibility of all those working in cricket to report any concerns.
- Club policies for Photography, changing, and transportation of young people will form part of the junior membership form and will also be displayed on the club website.

The ECB ‘Safe Hands’ policy document is supported by NSPCC and is available from www.ecb.co.uk