

The Harbour – Safeguarding Statement

The Harbour is fully committed to safeguarding the welfare of all adults, children and young people who come into contact with our organisation. We recognise our responsibility to promote safe practices and to protect people from harm, abuse or neglect.

We believe that every person, regardless of age, disability, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, or identity, has the right to live free from harm and to be treated with respect and dignity.

We are an organisational member of the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (BACP) and follow their Ethical Framework. We also follow the legal duties and best practice set out in the Care Act 2014, the Children Act 1989 and 2004, and associated guidance.

All our staff, trustees, volunteers and visitors are expected to share this commitment and follow our safeguarding policies and procedures. We provide safeguarding training and supervision to ensure safe, effective, and ethical practice.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

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Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

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If you are concerned about a child or adult at risk

If you have any safeguarding concerns relating to someone who uses our services, or about anyone connected with The Harbour, please contact our Safeguarding Lead as soon as possible.

In an emergency, contact the police on 999.

To contact Bristol's safeguarding services:

- Adults: Care Direct on 0117 922 2700
- Children: First Response Team on 0117 903 6444

More information

The Harbour has detailed internal Safeguarding Policies for both Adults and Children. These are available on request.