

# SUNDRIDGE PARK

## TENNIS • PADEL • SQUASH

### Safeguarding Policy Statement

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Sundridge Park Tennis and Squash Ltd acknowledges the duty of care to safeguard and promote the welfare of children and adults at risk. The Club is committed to ensuring safeguarding practice reflects statutory responsibilities, government guidance and complies with best practice and LTA requirements.

A copy of the Club's full safeguarding policy is available from the Club office, website and file in the clubhouse. The Club's safeguarding policy recognises that the welfare and interests of children and adults at risk are paramount in all circumstances.

It aims to ensure that regardless of age, ability or disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation, socio-economic background, all children:

- have a positive and enjoyable experience of tennis, squash and padel at Sundridge Park Tennis and Squash Ltd in a safe and inclusive environment
- are protected from abuse while participating in tennis, squash and padel.

Sundridge Park Tennis and Squash Ltd acknowledges that some children, including disabled children and young people or those from ethnic minority communities, can be particularly vulnerable to abuse and we accept the responsibility to take reasonable and appropriate steps to ensure their welfare.

### Our commitment

As part of our safeguarding policy, Sundridge Park Tennis and Squash Ltd will:

- promote and prioritise the safety and wellbeing of children and adults at risk
- ensure everyone understands their roles and responsibilities in respect of safeguarding and is provided with appropriate learning opportunities to recognise, identify and respond to signs of abuse, neglect and other safeguarding concerns relating to children and adults at risk
- ensure appropriate action is taken in the event of incidents/concerns of abuse and provide support to the individual(s) who raised or disclosed the concern
- ensure that confidential, detailed and accurate records of all safeguarding concerns are maintained and securely stored
- prevent the employment/deployment of unsuitable individuals
- ensure robust safeguarding arrangements and procedures are in operation.

The Club's policy and procedures will be widely promoted and are mandatory for everyone involved in Sundridge Park Tennis and Squash Ltd. Failure to comply with the policy and procedures will be addressed and may result in dismissal/exclusion from the Club.

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## Monitoring

The Club's safeguarding policy will be reviewed every three years, or sooner in the following circumstances:

- changes in legislation and/or government guidance
- as required by the Local Safeguarding Children Board or LTA
- as a result of any other significant change or event.

## Club Welfare Officers – contact details

If you have any concerns or issues you wish to discuss, in confidence, please contact:

- **Hannah Maynard-Slade** – 07703 483775 or hmaynard@btinternet.com
- **Rob Jones** – 07786 927224 or rpjonesuk@yahoo.co.uk

Otherwise, contact the **LTA Safeguarding Team** on 020 8487 7000 or by email at [safeguarding@lta.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@lta.org.uk).

## Related policies

Sundridge Park Tennis and Squash Ltd has several Safeguarding policies. Those most relevant to this policy and available on our website are:

- Safeguarding Policy
- Diversity and Inclusion Policy
- GDPR: Data Protection Policy
- Recording and Publishing Images Policy
- Online Safety and Communication Policy, including Social Media Policy
- Policy for Use of Changing Rooms and Showering Facilities
- Sickness and Injury Policy
- Sun Safety Policy
- Whistleblowing Policy
- Guidance for Travelling to Away Fixtures Policy

In addition to our Sundridge Park club-specific policies, we support the policies and intentions of the nationwide governing bodies for tennis and squash, which can be found at:

**LTA** – Safeguarding Children, Safeguarding Adults at Risk, Inclusion, Transgender Inclusion and Photography and Filming policies can be found at [lta.org.uk/about-us/safeguarding/overview](https://lta.org.uk/about-us/safeguarding/overview)

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**England Squash** – the Safeguarding Children, Safeguarding Adults at Risk and Equity policies can be found at [englandsquash.com/safesquash](https://englandsquash.com/safesquash)

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