

## **Hull Photographic Society Child Protection Policy Statement**

Hull Photographic Society is committed to ensuring that all young people who participate in the photographic opportunities of the society have a safe and positive experience. The club is committed to developing and implementing policies and procedures to ensure that everyone knows and accepts their responsibility in relation to a duty of care for young people.

Hull Photographic Society recognises that it is not the responsibility of those individuals working within the club to determine if abuse has taken place, but it is their responsibility to act upon and report any concerns.

If any person within the club has a doubt to this policy's relevance to their role and duties then please contact the club's Child Welfare Officer (Mr Tony Roach)

The Society and those involved with it, will abide by the following principles and statements:

- All young people within Hull Photographic Society, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability, have the right to be protected.
- All young people participating in photography activities have a right to do so in a safe environment.
- All adults involved with the Society will provide a safe, positive and fun experience for young people.
- All volunteers, members and officials will understand and be supported in their role and responsibility with regard to the duty of care for young people.
- All suspicions and allegations will be taken seriously, managed and dealt with swiftly and appropriately.
- The Society will assist volunteers, members and officials to remain up-to-date with the latest safeguarding and child protection issues.
- The Society will appoint a Child Welfare Officer whose role is to be responsible for issues concerning child welfare at the club.
- The Society will carry out regular risk assessments to ensure the safety of young people and all members of the club.

For a copy of the full safeguarding and child protection procedures please contact the Child Welfare Officer or see the website: [www.hullps.co.uk](http://www.hullps.co.uk)