



Safeguarding Children Policy Statement endorsed by the Club Management Committee

A "Safeguarding Children Policy" is provided for use by Metropolitan Police FC for the security and protection of all children and young persons under 18 years old who work, train, play and visit Metropolitan Police FC.

Metropolitan Police FC's "Safeguarding Children Policy" applies to everybody at the club. Club's directors, officers, managers, coaches, medical personnel and all staff, paid or volunteers (whether full-time, part-time, temporary or seasonal), sessional workers, agency staff, consultants, interns / students, self-employed contractors or anyone working on behalf of Metropolitan Police FC.

The overriding feature of this policy is that the safety and welfare of every child and adult that comes into contact with Metropolitan Police FC through any of its activities is paramount. Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and all staff and volunteers have a duty to safeguard the welfare of children at all times.

Metropolitan Police FC in line with the FA policies and procedures has appointed a Designated Safeguarding Officer to deal with first reports of poor practice or abuse.

The Designated Safeguarding Officer will receive the first reports of poor practice and or abuse and will liaise with the relevant services to report the concerns be it the Local Authority designated officer, the Police or the County FA Welfare Officer.

Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO) is Frank Thompson who is the first point of contact for the club. If anyone has a safeguarding concern he can be contacted on 07747764349 or at frank.thompson@btinternet.com if not available and in an emergency contact London FA County Welfare Officer 020 77512420 / 07525 237350 safeguarding@londonfa.com or The FA / NSPCC Child Protection Helpline on 0800 800 5000.

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