

# **CLONDUFF GAC** Risk Assessment Summary



Completed on April 27, 2023

# **CLUB DETAILS**

Club Name	Clonduff GAC
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County	Down
Club Type	GAA, LGFA, Camogie, Handball
Assessment Date	April 27, 2023

# RESPONSES

# Section 1. Identify Areas of Risk of Harm

# 1.1. ENSURING ALL COACHES/TRAINERS/MENTORS HAVE THE RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS (SAFEGUARDING, VETTING/ACCESS NI & COACHING QUALIFICATION)

# Risk

#### • Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

Continual Monitoring and Review by Safeguarding sub committee in conjunction with lead coaches

### 1.2. SAFEGUARDING TRAINING FOR COACHES, CHILDREN'S OFFICERS AND DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSONS AND OTHERS WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN WHICH ADDRESS ASSOCIATION SAFEGUARDING PROCEDURES AND THE RISK OF HARM TO CHILDREN (SECTION 2)

#### Risk • Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Upcoming training - Safeguarding 1 for additional volunteers; DLP training 6th May

# 1.3. RISK OF HARM WHEN HOSTING AND ACTIVITY OR AWAY TRIP

# Risk

Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement
- Vetting Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Club will actively create awareness with parents; provide permission slips for away trips/blitzes;

# 1.4. RISK OF HARM THROUGH ONLINE ABUSE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

# Risk

• High

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches
- Other

### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Parents

# Further action required/extra information

Annual online safety courses for parents/children/coaches - Club will actively create awareness

### 1.5. INAPPROPRIATE/UNAUTHORISED PHOTOGRAPHY, RECORDING OF ACTIVITIES ETC

# Risk

# Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Organising Club Activities
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Coach Education Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches
- Other

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Parents/Guardians

# Further action required/extra information

• Continual awareness and monitoring; Poster campaign; coaches/mentors to be consistently vigilant

# 1.6. BULLYING OF A CHILD & ANTI BULLYING STATEMENT ON DISPLAY

#### Risk

Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Organising Club Activities
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Anti Bullying Statement prominently displayed; annually updated

# 1.7. RISK OF HARM TO A CHILD BY AN ADULT OR ANOTHER CHILD INCLUDING DEFINITIONS OF ABUSE

# Risk

# Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• To seek advice from Ulster Council on definitions of 'abuse'; pass information on to coaches

# 1.8. AWARENESS OF REPORTING AND RECORDING CONCERNS OR ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE OR OF DEALING WITH POOR PRACTICE BY THOSE WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN

#### Risk

• Low

### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches
- Other

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Parents

# Further action required/extra information

• Safeguarding 1. Poster with appropriate personnel displayed prominently; ongoing consultation with coaches and mentors

# Section 2. Club/County & Coaching Practices

# 2.1 COACHES AND OTHER PERSONNEL WITH NO CHILD SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

#### Risk • Low

- Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure
- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

All lead coaches compliant; upcoming course for few remaining volunteers; continually monitored and reviewed

# 2.2 COACHES WITH NO COACHING QUALIFICATION

#### Risk

Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• Continually monitored and reviewed

#### 2.3 CHILDREN'S OFFICER & DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON HAVE ATTENDED RELEVANT TRAINING

# Risk

#### • Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding 2
- Child Safeguarding 3

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• DLP SG e on 6th May

# 2.4 RELEVANT PERSONNEL NOT VETTED/NO BACKGROUND CHECKS

#### Risk

• Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1

### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

Currently being updated - all Executive and other Committee members to be compliant asap

#### 2.5 POOR PRACTICE INADEQUATE SUPERVISION INADEQUATE OF SUPERVISION RATIOS

# Risk

#### • Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• All coaching teams have required ratio coaches:players; female teams have at least one compliant female coach/assistant

# 2.6 LACK OF ADHERENCE WITH AGREED PROCEDURES E.G., USE OF MOBILES, TEXTING, TRANSPORT RULES, PHOTOGRAPHY.

# Risk

# Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

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- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Information circulated to coaches/parent groups; phones forbidden on buses unless accompanied by parent; coaches only communicate with parents

# 2.7 NO GUIDANCE ON TRAVELLING AND AWAY TRIPS

# Risk

# • Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches
- Other

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Parents/guardians

# Further action required/extra information

• Clear guidelines circulated by coaches to parents/children; permission slips signed by parents

# Section 3. Complaints & Discipline

# 3.1 NO AWARENESS OF COMPLAINTS & DISCIPLINARY POLICY OR PROCEDURES

# Risk

# Medium

- Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure
- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Coach Education Policy

### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

### Further action required/extra information

New committee established annually and circulated to coaches and parent groups

# **3.2 COMPLAINTS NOT BEING DEALT WITH APPROPRIATELY**

#### Risk • Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's OfficerDesignated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- Club Executive

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Safeguarding/Disciplinary sub committee consisting of Children's Officer, assistants, DLPs ratified by Executive 25th April 2023

# **3.3 LACK OF AWARENESS OF REPORTING PROCEDURES**

# Risk

#### • Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- Safeguarding Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Upcoming information/awareness evening for coaches/parents/players

# 3.4 CODE OF BEHAVIOUR HEARING COMMITTEE AND DETERMINING COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

# Risk

• Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Safeguarding Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

Club Executive

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• Established annually; ratified 25th April 2023

# **Section 4. Reporting Procedures**

# 4.1 AWARENESS OF ORGANISATIONAL REPORTING PROCEDURES LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF STATUTORY REPORTING PROCEDURE FAILURE TO REPORT CONCERNS OR ALLEGATIONS OF HARM OR ABUSE

#### Risk

Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Mandated Person
- Coaches

## If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

· Policies, Guidance and Procedures circulated to parent groups via coaches; posted on club social media platforms and website

# 4.2 AWARENESS OF ASSOCIATION'S NATIONAL MANDATED PERSON (NMP) AWARENESS OF OTHERS AS PER SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CHILDREN FIRST ACT WHO ARE MANDATED PERSON

# Risk

Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Mandated Person

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

Relevant information made known to Safeguarding sub committee

#### 4.3 DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON (DLP) APPOINTED

Risk

# • Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 3
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

### Further action required/extra information

Club has 2 DLPs - current chairperson (male), former chairperson (female)

# 4.4 CHILDREN'S OFFICER (WITH CORRECT TITLE) APPOINTED AND IN MEMBERSHIP OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

# Risk

Low

### **Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure**

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- **Club** Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Chief CO; 3 assistant COs (1 male, 2 female)

#### 4.5 CONCERNS OF ABUSE OR HARM NOT REPORTED

#### Risk

• Medium

#### **Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure**

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- **Coach Education Policy**
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- **Club** Executive
- Coaches ٠

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Safeguarding training completed by all lead coaches and others; ongoing monitoring;

#### 4.6 NOT CLEAR WHO YOUNG PERSON (YP) SHOULD TALK TO OR REPORT TO AT CLUB/COUNTY LEVEL

# Risk

Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• Posters prominently displayed showing relevant personnel; regular attendance at games; Policies/Procedures in place and disseminated to parent groups

# 4.7 PARENTS ARE AWARE HOW TO RAISE OR REPORT A CONCERN

# Risk

Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- COB Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- COB Tackling Bullying in your Club
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Mandated Person
- Other

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Parents

# Further action required/extra information

Dissemination of information at Parents Awareness evenings/Registration Nights

# Section 5. Facilities

# 5.1 UNAUTHORISED ACCESS TO CHANGING ROOMS, SHOWERS, TOILETS ETC. WHILE IN USE BY CHILDREN.

#### Risk • Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement
- Vetting Policy

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

· All coaches 'educated' on relevant policy; dressing rooms not shared; pitches often shared

#### 5.2 CHILDREN SHARING FACILITIES WITH ADULTS E.G., DRESSING ROOM, SHOWERS, WARM UP AREAS ETC.

#### Risk

Medium

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Vetting Policy

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

No shared changing rooms; pitches shared; coaches/mentors aware of policies/procedures

# 5.3 UNAUTHORISED PHOTOGRAPHY, FILMING, OR RECORDING

# Risk

# Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

# Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches
- Other

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

# Parents/guardians

# Further action required/extra information

Parents/coaches aware of policies; parents sign up/not to team and other photographs - strictly maintained

# 5.4 MISSING OR FOUND CHILD ON SITE PROCEDURES

# Risk

• Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• No child will ever be left unattended at club; young children remain inside pitch confines until picked up by parent/guardian

# 5.5 A CHECK CONDUCTED BY CLUB WHEN HIRING FACILITIES TO ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE SAFEGUARDING PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE

# Risk

• Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

## If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Coaches/mentors ensure appropriate safeguarding procedures in place; report any concerns to Children's Officer and/or Executive

# Section 6. Recruitment

# 6.1 RECRUITMENT OF INAPPROPRIATE PEOPLE/ UNQUALIFIED PEOPLE IN ROLES

#### Risk • Low

- Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure
- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

 Unlikely to happen - new coaches generally recruited by club personnel; all coaches/mentors must complete Safeguarding 1 and be AccessNi compliant before start of season. relevant coaching courses and workshops provided and completed; continual monitoring

#### 6.2 RELEVANT PERSONNEL NOT VETTED/NO BACKGROUND CHECKS

#### Risk

#### Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement
- Vetting Policy

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• Vetting renewed every 3 years - continually monitored by current Children's Officer

#### 6.3 NO ROLE DESCRIPTION OR INADEQUATE ROLE DESCRIPTIONS FOR THOSE WORKING WITH CHILDREN

# Risk

# Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Recruitment & Selection
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Vetting Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• Job Descriptions reviewed annually

# 6.4 LACK OF AWARENESS OF 'RISK OF HARM' WITH MEMBERS AND VISITORS

### Risk

• Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Club Personnel Posters prominently displayed; coaches/mentors/volunteers responsible for all child safety whilst in their care; Children's Officers available if concerns arise

# Section 7. Communications

# 7.1 NO AWARENESS OR COMMUNICATION OF CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT OR CODE OF BEHAVIOUR TO MEMBERS OR VISITORS

Risk

• Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

Current Safeguarding Statement prominently displayed and circulated via Parent Groups, Social Media platforms and Club website

# 7.2 UNDERAGE PLAYERS INAPPROPRIATELY ACCESSING/USING COMPUTERS, SOCIAL MEDIA, PHONES, AND OTHER DEVICES WHILE AT GAELIC GAMES ASSOCIATIONS' ACTIVITIES OR ON OUR PREMISES

Risk • Low

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Coaches/mentors/parents aware of club's 'no phone' policy during training/games; actively monitored by coaches/mentors and reported to Children's Officer
if necessary

# 7.3 INAPPROPRIATE COMMUNICATIONS WITH UNDERAGE PLAYERS VIA SOCIAL MEDIA, TEXTING, DIGITAL **DEVICE, OR OTHER MANNER**

#### Risk

Medium

# **Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure**

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer Club Executive
- Coaches

## If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

### Further action required/extra information

· Coaches aware that they only communicate with parents; policies and procedures circulated via parent group, club social media platforms and club website

#### 7.4 AWARENESS OF SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY, ACCEPTABLE ICT USAGE, STREAMING POLICY OF JUVENILE GAMES

#### Risk

Low

# **Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure**

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Coaches
- Other

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Parents

# Further action required/extra information

· Policy prominently displayed; policies/procedures shared on club social media platforms and club website

# 7.5 CLUB CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT ON DISPLAY IN THE CLUBHOUSE AND/OR CLUB GROUNDS AND UPLOADED TO THE CLUB WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

# Risk

Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding Statement

### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

Club Executive

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

New annual statement enlarged, printed and displayed prominently

# 7.6 CONSENT FORM FOR UNDERAGE PLAYERS WITH PARENTAL PERMISSION WITH RELEVANT MEDICAL INFORMATION & PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE, PHOTOGRAPHIC PERMISSION & TRAVEL CONSENT – ALL COMPLETED AS REQUIRED

#### Risk

Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Organising Club Activities
- COB Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Who is responsible at Club level?

- Coaching Officer
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

• Parent permission for photographs and medical info on Foireann - depend on honesty and integrity of parents; monitored by Registrar/Children's Officer

# 7.7 ENSURE THAT ALL CHILDREN REGISTER WITH CLUB ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AND THAT THE NECESSARY MEDICAL AWARENESS INFORMATION AND CONTACT DETAILS FOR PARENTS ARE SUBMITTED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION

#### Risk

• Medium

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

• Full use of Foireann for registration; Registrar to monitor

# Section 8. General Risk of Harm

# 8.1 HARM NOT BEING RECOGNISED

# Risk

#### • Medium

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Club & County Children's Officer
- COB Designated Liaison Person
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

• Children's Officer

- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Mandated Person
- Coaches

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

Coaches/mentors aware of Policies/Guidance/Procedures and vigilant at all times; policies reviewed on annual basis

# 8.2 GENERAL BEHAVIOURAL ISSUES – ISSUES OF BULLYING, VETTING OF STAFF/VOLUNTEERS AND ISSUES ON ONLINE SAFETY ETC.

#### Risk

#### Medium

#### Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Vetting Policy

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Mandated Person

# If you have selected "Other", please state why

• Not answered

#### Further action required/extra information

Safeguarding and Vetting in place before start of season; policies/procedures disseminated

# 8.3 OTHER RISKS OF HARM THAT MAY BE RELEVANT TO WHERE THE CLUB IS SITUATED OR TO NUMBERS OR UNDERAGE PLAYERS OR TO SPECIFIC OR SPECIAL NEEDS OF UNDERAGE PLAYERS OR TEAMS

# Risk

• Low

# Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB Organising Club Activities
- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- Coaches

#### If you have selected "Other", please state why

Not answered

# Further action required/extra information

Relevant courses organised for coaches/parents - Autism Awareness, Online Safety, Anti-Bullying, Drugs, Alcohol, Vaping Awareness, Gambling

# 9.1. RISK ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT AUDIT

9.1.1. Has your Club appointed a 3-person Club Code of Behaviour (Underage) Hearings Committee whose role it is to hear alleged breaches of the Code	as
referred to them?	

• Yes

9.1.2. How many new\* coaches were recruited by the club in 2022 to work at underage level? (\*not previously involved in the club as a coach)

16

9.1.3. Please nominate a Club Children's Officer to be shown on your Safeguarding Statement
Geraldine McPolin

9.1.4. Please nominate a Designated Liaison Person (DLP) to be shown on your Safeguarding Statement

#### • Anita Brannigan

9.1.5. In 2022, what was the most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?
Complaints by parents over lack of playing time for their children

9.1.6. In 2022, what was the second most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?
Alleged breached by parents or supporters

9.1.7. In 2022, what was the third most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?
Alleged breached by coaches (underage)

9.1.8. In 2022, what was the fourth most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?
Alleged breached by players (underage)

9.1.9. In 2022, what was the fifth most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

N/A

9.1.10. In 2022, what was the sixth most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

N/A

9.1.11. If you selected complaints by parents over lack of playing time for their children what was the playing level?

• Under 16