

Carrick Town F.C.

Child Protection & Welfare Policy Statement

Introduction.

Carrick Town F.C. is committed to ensuring that all necessary steps will be taken to protect and safeguard the welfare of children and young people who participate in soccer. This Policy document clearly demonstrates the importance placed by Carrick Town F.C. on the protection and safety of children and young people who participate in soccer.

Carrick Town F.C. has prepared and distributed a “Coaches Pack” which is distributed at the start of each season and it sets out the policy and ethos by which club volunteers, players and parents should adhere to.

All children and young people¹ who participate in soccer should be able to do so in a safe and enjoyable environment. While doing so they should be protected from any form of abuse be it physical, emotional, sexual, neglect or bullying. The responsibility for protecting children lies with all adults involved in this club and in soccer in general.

Carrick Town F.C. recognises and accepts its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people by protecting them from physical, emotional or sexual harm and from neglect or bullying.

These clear policies, practices and procedures in addition to relevant training programmes will ensure that everybody in Carrick Town F.C. knows exactly what is expected of them in relation to protecting children and young people within soccer.

It is vital that children and young people who participate in Carrick Town F.C. activities are able to do so in a safe, enjoyable and quality environment.

In pursuit of this goal Carrick Town F.C. will:

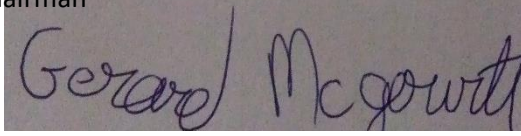
- Advise all members of Carrick Town F.C. (coaches, players, parents and spectators) of their responsibilities in relation to the welfare and protection of children and young people who participate in soccer.
- Operate within the recommended Football Association of Ireland codes of conduct and best practice guidelines.
- Appoint a Club Children’s Officer in line with Football Association of Ireland requirements

¹ **Children are defined in Irish Law as being any person under 18 years of age.**

Name: Gerard MCGourty

Role: Chairman

Signed:

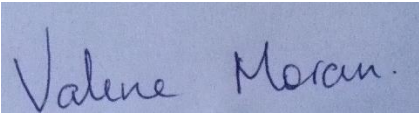
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Name: Valerie Moran

Role: Club Children's Officer

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