



Welfare & Safeguarding at HHYCC

Safe & Happy Cyclists

Herne Hill Youth Cycling Club takes the safety and welfare of all its cyclists very seriously. For the protection of all and in line with statutory requirements for any sports coaching club, we have a number of Codes of Practice, Policies and Procedures that all participants, parents & carers, coaches and volunteers are signed up to. These can all be found on our website at www.hhycc.com.

HHYCC is also a British Cycling club and we abide by their policies on safeguarding and protecting children. All coaches have the relevant DBS checks and adhere to the British Cycling Code of Conduct.

We have a Club Welfare Officer whose mandate is to maintain British Cycling's high standards in relation to children participating in cycling; allowing piece of mind for participants, their families and cycling clubs by ensuring those working with young people are suitable to do so.

If you have any concern at all about any aspect of any activity or individual at the club, please contact: **Lisa Godfrey, HHYCC Welfare Officer, godfrey.lisa@gmail.com or 07801 261 068.**

Our promise to you as parents:

We aim to make HHYCC an exhilarating and safe place for all cyclists. Please help us to achieve this by being aware of and respecting our safeguarding promises:

- Everyone who participates at HHYCC is entitled to do so in a safe and enjoyable environment.
- Everyone involved in HHYCC - riders, coaches, volunteers, and anyone involved in cycling - has a responsibility to safeguard children from harm and abuse.
- The welfare of children is paramount. The need to ensure that children are protected is a primary consideration, and it may override the rights and needs of those adults working with them.
- Everyone, whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious belief and/or sexual identity should be able to participate in cycling in a fun and safe environment.
- It is our responsibility to take all reasonable steps to protect children from harm, discrimination and degrading treatment and to respect their rights, wishes and feelings.
- We have a duty to take seriously all suspicions and allegations of poor practice or abuse and to respond swiftly and appropriately to them.
- All coaches and other volunteers at HHYCC should have the relevant training for their role at the club.

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