



## **Child Safeguarding Statement 2021/2022**

K-Leisure provides various activities for children and young people through participation in schools, clubs, regional/provincial events, K-Leisure swim lessons & classes and public swims.

*K-Leisure* is committed to safeguarding children and by working under the guidance of our Safeguarding Policies our staff, while working with our young people, throughout the organisation, seek to create a safe environment for children and young people to grow and develop.

K-leisure's written Risk Assessment document indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring, and gives the required policy, guidance or process documents require to alleviate these risks. The list of risks identified are contained in the following categories: Instructor Practices; Complaints & Discipline; Reporting Procedures; Use of Facilities; Recruitment; Communications; and General Risk of Harm.

The Risk Assessment was revised on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, ([the Children First: National Guidance, and Tusla's Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice, Children \(NI\) Order 1995](#)). In addition to our Risk Assessment document described above, there are further procedures that support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our activities.

*K-Leisure* has the following procedures in place as part of our Safeguarding Policies:

- Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by staff or volunteers against a child availing of our activities
- Procedures for the safe recruitment of staff to work with children in our activities
- Procedures for access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm
- Procedure for reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities

The Designated Liaison Persons for each site are:

**Naas: Alan McCormack**

**Mandated Person for K-Leisure: Group Operations Manager: Noel Murphy**

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. Our centre is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm while availing of our activities.

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed on **20<sup>th</sup> January 2022**

Signed: *Avril Moran*

Date: 20<sup>th</sup> January 2021(On behalf of K Leisure)

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