



## **Children Safeguarding Statement**

### **INTRODUCTION**

Whilst children and young people are participating in golf activities in our care, Rhyl Golf Club has a responsibility to ensure their safety and wellbeing.

The Rhyl GC recognises the policies of the National Governing bodies, as set in out in the “Wales Golf Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy and Procedures”.

The policy and supporting procedures set out a framework to fulfil our commitment to good practice and the protection of children in our care.

### **KEY PRINCIPLES**

- The welfare of children is paramount.
- A child is defined by law in Wales and Wales as a person under the age of 18 years.
- All children, regardless of their Age, Race, Religion or Belief, Disability, Gender identity or Sexual Orientation, have the right to protection from abuse.
- All concerns and allegations of abuse and poor practice will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately.
- All children have the right to be safe.
- All children have the right to be treated with dignity and respect.
- The Rhyl GC will work with children, their parents/carers and external organisations to safeguard the welfare of children participating in golf.
- We recognise the authority of the statutory agencies and are committed to complying with Local Safeguarding Children Board Guidelines (LSCB), Working Together under the Children Act 2004, and any legislation and statutory guidance that supersedes these.
- The Rhyl GC is committed to working in partnership with other key UK Golf Bodies to continually improve and to promote safeguarding initiatives across the sport.
- The Rhyl GC owes a legal duty of care to children on their premises or engaged in their activities. That duty is to take reasonable care to ensure their reasonable safety and the duty is higher than it would be for adults.

**Full policy is available in the Managers Office**