North Mymms Cricket Club Junior Section

The ECB "Safe Hands" Policy Statement

- North Mymms Cricket Club is committed to ensuring all children who take part in cricket at the club, have a safe positive and fun experience, whatever their level of ability or involvement, and the welfare of all children is paramount.
- All children within cricket, regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, ability or disability, have the right to enjoy the game in a safe environment.
- North Mymms Cricket Club has officially adopted and implemented the ECB "Safe Hands" Policy and the Policy Statement on Safeguarding and Protecting Children. The full policy can be found on the club website: www.northmymmscc.co.uk
- The Club Welfare Officer is appointed by the Club as per ECB regulations, and attends all current and future training and education as deemed necessary by the ECB.
- The Club Welfare Officer acts as the first point of contact for parents, children and volunteers/staff within the club, as a local source of procedural advice for the club, its committee and members. They are also the point of contact for the ECB county Welfare Officer and any relevant external agencies in connection with safeguarding and welfare issues.
- Contact details for the Club Welfare Officer are available in the Junior membership pack, on the Club website and on the Club Notice Board.
- In the absence of the Club Welfare Officer, or if there are concerns about the Club Welfare officer, the County Welfare Officer contact details are also available. The ECB Safeguarding Team at safeguarding@ecb.co.uk or Tel: 0207 432 1200 can also be contacted.
- The ECB 'Safe Hands' policy ensures there are correct procedures for responding to, recording and reporting all suspicions, concerns and allegations which are taken seriously and dealt with swiftly.
- We recognise the responsibility of the statutory agencies and are committed to working with Local Safeguarding Children Boards and Local Authority Designated Officers and complying with their procedures and the statutory guidance "Working Together to Safeguard Children 2015"
- We will ensure that individuals working with Juniors receive support through education and training to understand best practice and how to manage any safeguarding issues which may come to light.
- We will ensure access to confidential information relating to child safeguarding matters is restricted to those who need to know to safeguard children i.e. the Club Welfare Officer and the appropriate external authorities, such as the Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO), as specified within ECB procedures in the 'Safe Hands' Policy.