

ARTWEY CIC

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Safeguarding

Date: 09/01/22

Responsible Position: Director (Chair)

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The following applies to all working or volunteering on behalf of Artwey CIC whether members or not and sets out our policy in relation to children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Although we do not primarily work with children, young people or vulnerable adults, Artwey CIC has a policy of inclusivity and may run activities, exhibitions, outreach workshops or other events which include these groups from time to time. As well as being enshrined in the Children Act 1989, everyone at Artwey CIC believes that children and young people should never experience abuse of any kind and that we all have a responsibility to promote the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults and to keep them safe from harm.

Our Commitment to Safeguarding

As a small CIC of frequently changing volunteer members whose principle work is not with children, young persons or vulnerable adults, we recognise that we do not have all of the safeguarding knowledge and expertise required ourselves to fully implement a wide ranging safeguarding policy and practices. Therefore, to ensure compliance with legal requirements, and to keep children, young people and vulnerable adults safe we commit to the following actions:

- We will nominate a designated Director for Safeguarding who will ensure that safeguarding is included, where appropriate, in our strategic plans, risk assessments, communications etc.
- Working in partnership with children, young people, vulnerable adults, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare. Therefore, when carrying out activities that involve children we will work with and take advice from other knowledgeable organisations to ensure that we put measures in place to prevent abuse, promote safe working practice and ensure that we identify and respond appropriately to concerns about abuse in an appropriate manner
- We recognise that all children and vulnerable adults, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have a right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse. Therefore, we will ensure that the welfare of children, young people or vulnerable adults is paramount and raise awareness of safeguarding to our members.
- We have an Equality Statement which embraces diversity and promotes equality of opportunity. Everyone who accesses our activities or works on behalf of Artwey in a voluntary capacity, whether a member or not, should be safe, empowered to play a

part in promoting their own welfare and that of others and able to live a life free from abuse. This applies to all, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexuality or belief.

- We will value, listen to and respect any children, young people and/or vulnerable adults that we come into contact with as a result of our activities
- We will promote safeguarding practices through our activities
- If we have any concerns about safeguarding, we will share them with the appropriate agencies and record the information passed on.
- We will use our complaints procedures to manage any allegations against our members or other volunteers appropriately
- Ensuring that, in all of our activities in which we may come into contact with children, young people and vulnerable adults, that we provide a safe physical environment by applying health and safety measures.

Concerns

If anyone has a comment about this policy or a concern about safeguarding issues in relation to Artwey CIC then please contact info@artwey.co.uk

Signed (Directors)

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