



CUMANN PHEADAIR NAOFA

Risk Assessment Summary



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CLUB DETAILS

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County Down

Club Type GAA, LGFA, Camogie

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RESPONSES

Section 1. Identify Areas of Risk of Harm

1.1. ENSURING ALL COACHES/TRAINERS/MENTORS HAVE THE RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS (SAFEGUARDING, VETTING/ACCESS NI & COACHING QUALIFICATION)

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Continue to ensure that all new mentors complete Access NI and have access to a Safeguarding 1 Workshop. Liaise with Coaching and Games Development Officer to ensure adequate provision of Coaching Courses.

1.2. SAFEGUARDING TRAINING FOR COACHES, CHILDREN'S OFFICERS AND DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSONS AND OTHERS WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN WHICH ADDRESS ASSOCIATION SAFEGUARDING PROCEDURES AND THE RISK OF HARM TO CHILDREN (SECTION 2)

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding 2
- Child Safeguarding 3

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Continue to organise annual Safeguarding 1 Workshop and to seek further on line Safeguarding 1 Workshops for new mentors and those who were unable to attend the Club Safeguarding 1 Workshop on 23 February 2023. Refer to club Safeguarding database and continue to inform coaches whose Safeguarding 1 has expired. Recently elected Club Chairman to complete Safeguarding 3 when the course becomes available.

1.3. RISK OF HARM WHEN HOSTING AND ACTIVITY OR AWAY TRIP

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Organising Club Activities

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Ensure that Coaches refer to the COB arranging trips in advance of outings. The club is in the process of preparing a coaches handbook which will highlight the importance of away trips. There is a section in the coaches handbook on Safeguarding issues. Parents/Guardians are informed in advance of trip arrangements. Use of transport company for journeys over a 15 mile radius. Parents are aware that it is their responsibility to transport children to games within the 15 mile radius.

1.4. RISK OF HARM THROUGH ONLINE ABUSE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

Risk

- Medium

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Coaches have been made aware of the GAA Social Media Guidelines and also at Safeguarding 1 workshop. Club to consider organising Social Media Safety Workshop for underage members. Constant vigilance and awareness of potential issues. Coaches to continue to be supported if an issue arises. Coaches have contact details e mail and mobile telephone numbers of the Club Safeguarding Committee. Social media guidelines to be reissued as part of Club Safeguarding Information update.

1.5. INAPPROPRIATE/UNAUTHORISED PHOTOGRAPHY, RECORDING OF ACTIVITIES ETC

Risk

- Medium

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Communication & Photography

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Continue to profile Social Media Guidelines with coaches. Review on an ongoing bases.

1.6. BULLYING OF A CHILD & ANTI BULLYING STATEMENT ON DISPLAY

Risk

- Medium

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB - Tackling Bullying in your Club

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Anti bullying statement on club website and was circulated to parents as part of Parent Information leaflet during last season. Child Friendly Code of Behaviour references respect for others. Coaches have been made aware of the Anti bullying Club Statement.

1.7. RISK OF HARM TO A CHILD BY AN ADULT OR ANOTHER CHILD INCLUDING DEFINITIONS OF ABUSE

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Safeguarding Policy

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Coaches, parents and underage members made aware of specific Code of Behaviour/appropriate Behaviour. Continue to monitor through profile of Code of Behaviour.

1.8. AWARENESS OF REPORTING AND RECORDING CONCERNS OR ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE OR OF DEALING WITH POOR PRACTICE BY THOSE WHO WORK WITH CHILDREN

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Child Safeguarding 2

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- National Safeguarding Committee
- Mandated Person

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Coaches have been made aware of reporting and recording concerns at Safeguarding 1 Workshop. In addition the Club has a Speaking Up Policy which has been highlighted to coaches. Parents to be made aware of the Speaking Up Policy in Safeguarding update letter.. Coaches have contact details for Club Safeguarding Committee Members.

Section 2. Club & Coaching Practices

2.1 CLUB COACHES AND OTHER PERSONNEL WITH NO CHILD SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Child Safeguarding 1

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Training arranged on an annual bases notably Safeguarding 1 Workshop. For those who were unable to attend the Club Safeguarding 1 Workshop, Club Children's Officer circulated information on upcoming Safeguarding 1 on line workshops. Accurate records of attendance at workshop including certificate reference and date attended recorded on club safeguarding database. Coaches informed when their Safeguarding 1 has expired and details of Refresher Course forwarded to coaches.

2.2 CLUB COACHES WITH NO COACHING QUALIFICATION

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Recruitment & Selection
- Coach Education Policy

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- All coaches required to have Foundation /Level 1 Coaching Qualification. Subsections to keep a record of coaching qualifications. 50 coaches who completed Foundation One awaiting confirmation for final outdoor session to complete module. Club Coaching and Games Development Officer organised a four week Coach The Coaches workshop. Follow up Session to be organised. Coach Education Section on Club website to continue to be used and populated.

2.3 CLUB CHILDREN'S OFFICER & DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON HAVE ATTENDED RELEVANT TRAINING

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Child Safeguarding 2
- Child Safeguarding 3

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Childrens Officer has attended Safeguarding 2. Recently elected Chairman, who is the club DLP to attend Safeguarding 3 when the course is available.

2.4 RELEVANT CLUB PERSONNEL NOT VETTED/NO BACKGROUND CHECKS

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Recruitment & Selection

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Ongoing Process. Children's Officer to continue to liaise with all sections to ensure compliance in this area and to keep Club Safeguarding Database updated. All coaches ratified by Senior Committee subject to the minimum requirements for safeguarding.

2.5 POOR PRACTICE INADEQUATE SUPERVISION INADEQUATE OF SUPERVISION RATIOS

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Clear instruction to coaches re numbers of mentors required. Appropriate ratios highlighted in Safeguarding section of coaches manual. Club Safeguarding Committee to continue to play a proactive role in promoting good practice.

2.6 LACK OF ADHERENCE WITH AGREED PROCEDURES E.G., USE OF MOBILES, TEXTING, TRANSPORT RULES, PHOTOGRAPHY.

Risk

- Medium

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Communication & Photography
- Safeguarding Policy
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Review ongoing and highlighted in Social media policy which all coaches have been made aware of. Signage in changing rooms at Moygannon and Milltown Playing fields to be refreshed.

2.7 NO GUIDANCE ON TRAVELLING AND AWAY TRIPS

Risk

- Low
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Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Organising Club Activities
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If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
 - Coaches
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If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Further action required/extra information

- Parents/Guardians informed in advance of arrangements by event organiser. Use of transport company for journeys over 15 mile radius. Parents aware that it is their responsibility to transport children to games within the 15 mile radius.

Section 3. Complaints & Discipline

3.1 NO AWARENESS OF COMPLAINTS & DISCIPLINARY POLICY OR PROCEDURES

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Policies in place to deal with complaints and grievances. Code of Behaviour to be circulated to all parents. Coaches already have been updated on Code of Behaviour. Underage Hearings Committee, Disciplinary Committee and Appeals Committee highlighted on Club Organisational Structure. Membership of Underage Hearings Committee ratified at Senior Committee.

3.2 COMPLAINTS NOT BEING DEALT WITH APPROPRIATELY

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Procedures have been tested and followed in recent years. The Club Safeguarding Committee are proactive in dealing with complaints at the initial stage where a resolution is sought in a manner satisfactory to all parties. Continue to address any complaints in a timely manner and with urgency.,

3.3 LACK OF AWARENESS OF REPORTING PROCEDURES

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
- Coach Education Policy

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Issues highlighted at Safeguarding 1 workshop. Ongoing supervision required to ensure that instructions and procedures are clear to coaches and club senior committee. Club has a Speaking Up Policy (available on downloads section of the club website) Club policies ,including reporting procedures, updated and adopted at Senior Committee annually and then posted on club website.

3.4 CODE OF BEHAVIOUR HEARING COMMITTEE AND DETERMINING COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED

Risk

- Low
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Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse
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If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
-

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Further action required/extra information

- Code of Behaviour Hearings Committee ratified by Senior Committee

Section 4. Reporting Procedures

4.1 AWARENESS OF ORGANISATIONAL REPORTING PROCEDURES LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF STATUTORY REPORTING PROCEDURE FAILURE TO REPORT CONCERNS OR ALLEGATIONS OF HARM OR ABUSE

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Child Safeguarding 1
- Coach Education Policy
- Other

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- Club Speaking Up Policy

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Awareness included in Safeguarding 1 Workshop. Club has a Speaking Up Policy. Ongoing implementation of awareness of Reporting Procedures within the club across all codes.

4.2 AWARENESS OF ASSOCIATION'S NATIONAL MANDATED PERSON (NMP) AWARENESS OF OTHERS AS PER SCHEDULE 2 OF THE CHILDREN FIRST ACT WHO ARE MANDATED PERSON

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with Breaches of the Code of Behaviour
- Child Safeguarding Statement

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Safeguarding Statement publicly displayed in 125 Pavilion and Clubrooms. To be replaced following the completion of the Child Safeguarding Risk Assessment.

4.3 CLUB DESIGNATED LIAISON PERSON (DLP) APPOINTED

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Designated Liaison Person
- COB - Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Club DLP and Deputy DLP in place, advertised in the clubrooms, website and 125 Pavilion. All mentors have contact details for members of Safeguarding Committee including DLP and Deputy DLP (mobile numbers and e mail addresses)

4.4 CHILDREN'S OFFICER (WITH CORRECT TITLE) APPOINTED AND IN MEMBERSHIP OF CLUB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Club & County Children's Officer

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Children's Officer member of Club Senior Committee and chairperson of Club Safeguarding Committee. All Children's Officer communications completed via official GAA Children's Officer e mail. Children's Officer to continue to drop in to training sessions across all codes.

4.5 CONCERNS OF ABUSE OR HARM NOT REPORTED

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Mandated Person

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Included in Safeguarding 1. Photographs of newly elected Chairman (DLP) , Deputy DLP, Children's Officer and Deputy Children's officer to be updated in prominent positions in the club. Coaches aware that concerns should be brought to the attention of the DLP. Ongoing communication required.

4.6 NOT CLEAR WHO YOUNG PERSON (YP) SHOULD TALK TO OR REPORT TO AT CLUB LEVEL

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB - Dealing with allegations or Concerns of Abuse

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Identity of CCO, DLP and safeguarding Committee prominently displayed in the club rooms. National mandated person known through the Safeguarding Statement. Child Friendly Code of Behaviour to highlight ease of reporting.

4.7 PARENTS ARE AWARE HOW TO RAISE OR REPORT A CONCERN

Risk

- Low
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Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
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If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
 - Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
-

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Further action required/extra information

- Information to be communicated re Parents Raising a concern on the Club Safeguarding Fact Sheet. Parents to be aware of the Club Speaking UP Policy on Club Safeguarding Fact sheet issue each season to all parents/guardians.

Section 5. Facilities

5.1 UNAUTHORISED ACCESS TO CHANGING ROOMS, SHOWERS, TOILETS ETC. WHILE IN USE BY CHILDREN.

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Close supervision of facilities particularly when using School Facilities. Coaches to frequently revisit COB Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour. Vigilance around maintaining appropriate ratios.

5.2 CHILDREN SHARING FACILITIES WITH ADULTS E.G., DRESSING ROOM, SHOWERS, WARM UP AREAS ETC.

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Match and training sessions organised to ensure that this does not happen. Liaise with Pitch Coordinator to ensure that this risk is continued to be minimised.

5.3 UNAUTHORISED PHOTOGRAPHY, FILMING, OR RECORDING

Risk

- Medium

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Communication & Photography
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Policies in place and volunteers are made aware of these policies. GAA Foireann system requests all members to sign consent form. Each section has a PRO responsible for photography, social media etc. Reissue Social Media Guidelines policy to Section PROs

5.4 MISSING OR FOUND CHILD ON SITE PROCEDURES

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Minimise risk by coaches presence at drop off and collection point. Lead coach to have contact details for responsible adult. PA System at all club senior games and blitzes. Lost Child Collection Point part of Risk assessment for Club hosting Blitzes.

5.5 A CHECK CONDUCTED BY CLUB WHEN HIRING FACILITIES TO ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE SAFEGUARDING PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Organising Club Activities

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Clear guidelines in place regarding Strategic Alliance with St. Mark's High School. Club does not hire out clubrooms for any gatherings for U-18's. Re Club Underage Presentations/PrizeGivings, a need to develop a bespoke Risk assessment.

Section 6. Recruitment

6.1 RECRUITMENT OF INAPPROPRIATE PEOPLE/ UNQUALIFIED PEOPLE IN ROLES

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Recruitment & Selection

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaching Officer

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Senior committee ratify all new and returning coaches and officers on an annual basis, subject to statutory requirements of all volunteers completing Access NI, Safeguarding 1 and a coaching course.

6.2 RELEVANT CLUB PERSONNEL NOT VETTED/NO BACKGROUND CHECKS

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Recruitment & Selection

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- All coaches/mentors are ratified by Senior Committee in advance of taking up their role, subject to the completion of Access NI and attendance at a Safeguarding 1 workshop. Children's officer to continue to maintain accurate Safeguarding database up to date. Mentors who do not complete the necessary requirements will be informed that he/she cannot take up a role with U-18's.

6.3 NO ROLE DESCRIPTION OR INADEQUATE ROLE DESCRIPTIONS FOR THOSE WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB - Recruitment & Selection

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- All coaches/mentors receive a copy of the club safeguarding information sheet which details access to job description of mentors/coaches on the club website.

6.4 LACK OF AWARENESS OF 'RISK OF HARM' WITH MEMBERS AND VISITORS

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Child Safeguarding Statement

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Replace Safeguarding Statement with 2023 version in prominent places in the club, Milltown Playing Fields and Moygannon. Post Child Safeguarding Statement on club website and social media. Distribute updated Child Safeguarding Statement to all sections to share with their coaches.

Section 7. Communications

7.1 NO AWARENESS OR COMMUNICATION OF CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT OR CODE OF BEHAVIOUR TO MEMBERS OR VISITORS

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Child Safeguarding Statement

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Replace 2021 Child Safeguarding Statement with 2023 version in prominent areas throughout the club. Post Child Safeguarding Statement on Social media and on club website.

7.2 UNDERAGE PLAYERS INAPPROPRIATELY ACCESSING/USING COMPUTERS, SOCIAL MEDIA, PHONES, AND OTHER DEVICES WHILE AT GAELIC GAMES ASSOCIATIONS' ACTIVITIES OR ON OUR PREMISES

Risk

- Medium

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines
- Child Safeguarding Statement

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Social Media guidelines to be reissued to all mentors. Refresh signage against use of phones in changing rooms. Phones are not confiscated . To be kept under review.

7.3 INAPPROPRIATE COMMUNICATIONS WITH UNDERAGE PLAYERS VIA SOCIAL MEDIA, TEXTING, DIGITAL DEVICE, OR OTHER MANNER

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Child Safeguarding 1
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Currently using WhatsApp to communicate with parents/guardians. No reply feature on the WhatsApp system. Strict adherence to no communication via Social Media with U-18's. Will continue to keep informed regarding communication updates in Foireann.

7.4 AWARENESS OF SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY, ACCEPTABLE ICT USAGE, STREAMING POLICY OF JUVENILE GAMES

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- GAA Social Media Guidelines

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Social Media Policy on Club website and circulated to all coaches. Section PRO's reissued with Social Media Policy. Regular revisiting of Social Media Policy encouraged for all club volunteers.

7.5 CLUB CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT ON DISPLAY IN THE CLUBHOUSE AND/OR CLUB GROUNDS AND UPLOADED TO THE CLUB WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding Statement

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- New Safeguarding Statement to be circulated to team mentors, displayed in prominent places in club and to be uploaded to the policy section of the website. St Dallan's PS, where many of our under age members attend, have kindly agreed to display the Safeguarding Statement on the School club/school GAA notice board.

7.6 CONSENT FORM FOR UNDERAGE PLAYERS WITH PARENTAL PERMISSION WITH RELEVANT MEDICAL INFORMATION & PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE, PHOTOGRAPHIC PERMISSION & TRAVEL CONSENT – ALL COMPLETED AS REQUIRED

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- COB - Communication & Photography

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Other

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- Club Registrar to oversee training for coaches on accessing information from Foireann

Further action required/extra information

- Use of Foireann to access information regarding to above. Registrar informs mentors of specific information in relation to medical requirements and those who do not wish to be photographed. Travel consent sought for activities including trips away. Mentors have been informed that they should only use the official teamsheets from Foireann. These highlight if there are medical issues and non-permission for photography.

7.7 ENSURE THAT ALL CHILDREN REGISTER WITH CLUB ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AND THAT THE NECESSARY MEDICAL AWARENESS INFORMATION AND CONTACT DETAILS FOR PARENTS ARE SUBMITTED AT THE TIME OF REGISTRATION

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Club Executive
- Other

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- The Club Registrar plays a proactive role in reviewing Foireann registrations and providing advice/guidance to members on how to use Foireann.

Further action required/extra information

- Continue to assist the Club Registrar with under age registrations. Registrar to continue to report on Registrations at Senior Committee- Agenda item at all Senior Committee Meetings.

Section 8. General Risk of Harm

8.1 HARM NOT BEING RECOGNISED

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- Safeguarding Policy
- Child Safeguarding 1

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Designated Liaison Person (DLP)
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Club has established a cohort of experienced coaches who are very supportive of Safeguarding Procedures. Safeguarding Committee report to AGM highlighting responsibility of all members to also make safeguarding their business. Safeguarding 1 Workshop provides very valuable information to assist mentors to recognise harm. Continue to play a club joined up proactive approach to recognising harm.

8.2 GENERAL BEHAVIOURAL ISSUES – ISSUES OF BULLYING, VETTING OF STAFF/VOLUNTEERS AND ISSUES ON ONLINE SAFETY ETC.

Risk

- Low

Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
- GAA Social Media Guidelines

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
- Club Executive
- Coaches

If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*

Further action required/extra information

- Club has an anti Bullying Policy, Social Media Policy which all members are made aware of. Vetting of mentors is up to date. All these issues are kept under review.

8.3 OTHER RISKS OF HARM THAT MAY BE RELEVANT TO WHERE THE CLUB IS SITUATED OR TO NUMBERS OR UNDERAGE PLAYERS OR TO SPECIFIC OR SPECIAL NEEDS OF UNDERAGE PLAYERS OR TEAMS

Risk

- Low
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Reference to Policy, Guidance and Procedure

- COB - Maintaining Good Practice and Behaviour
 - Safeguarding Policy
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If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Who is responsible at Club level?

- Children's Officer
 - Club Executive
 - Coaches
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If you have selected "Other", please state why

- *Not answered*
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Further action required/extra information

- Club has a GAA for ALL section. Mentors have received training from Ulster GAA in managing groups with Special Needs. Club shares best practice with others in relation to children with special needs. Ratios are communicated to mentors on the Club Safeguarding Information Sheet. Continue to keep under review and to be risk aware at all times. All sections present a report to Senior Committee meetings and potential risks are highlighted

Section 9. Risk Assessment Management Audit

9.1. RISK ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT AUDIT

9.1.1. Has your Club appointed a 3-person Club Code of Behaviour (Underage) Hearings Committee whose role it is to hear alleged breaches of the Code as referred to them?

- Yes

9.1.2. How many new* coaches were recruited by the club in 2022 to work at underage level? (*not previously involved in the club as a coach)

- 21

9.1.3. Please nominate a Club Children's Officer to be shown on your Safeguarding Statement

- Anne Mc Cormack

9.1.4. Please nominate a Designated Liaison Person (DLP) to be shown on your Safeguarding Statement

- Paul McKibben

9.1.5. In 2022, what was the most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

- Complaints by parents over lack of playing time for their children

9.1.6. In 2022, what was the second most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

- N/A

9.1.7. In 2022, what was the third most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

- N/A

9.1.8. In 2022, what was the fourth most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

- N/A

9.1.9. In 2022, what was the fifth most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

- N/A

9.1.10. In 2022, what was the sixth most common issue that was brought to the attention of your Club Children's Officer or your relevant Club Committee?

- N/A

9.1.11. If you selected complaints by parents over lack of playing time for their children what was the playing level?

- *Not answered*

