



## **Inbhear Dee Athletics Club - Child Safeguarding Statement**

Inbhear Dee Athletics Club provides sporting activities and opportunities for children and young people through participation in club, county, regional and National events. We work within the guidelines of Athletics Ireland and are committed to safeguarding of children and young people. All our volunteers working with children within the club, seek to create a safe environment for children and young people to participate in athletics.

This club's Safeguarding Risk Assessment indicates the areas of potential risk of harm, the likelihood of the risk occurring, and gives the required policy, guidance or process documents required to alleviate these risks. The list of risks identified are contained in the following categories: Club and Coaching Practices; Complaints & Disciplinary; Reporting Procedures; Use of Facilities; Recruitment; Communications; and General Risk of Harm.

This club's 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). 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 services.

This club has the following procedures in place as part of the Athletics Ireland Safeguarding Code.

- ! Procedures for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct by any person against a child while availing of our club activities.
- ! Procedures for the safe recruitment of volunteers 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 the reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to the Statutory Authorities.

**The Children's officer for Inbhear Dee Athletic Club is Mary Burbage phone 086 2482006.**

We recognise that implementation is an ongoing process. We are 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 club activities. This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed every 2 years.

### **Club name, address and contact details:**

**Inbhear Dee Athletic club**

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### **Club Chairperson:**

**Name: Sinead Nolan**

**Signed:**

**Date: 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

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### **Club Children's Officer (Relevant Person):**

**Name: Mary Burbage**

**Signed:**

**Date: 20<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

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**For any queries about this Child Safeguarding Statement, please contact the Children's Officer.**