



Safeguarding & Child Protection Policy

The Purpose and Scope of This Policy

Joshua Tarrant Trust, Registered Charity Number 1171032, believes that it is always unacceptable for a child or young person to experience abuse of any kind and recognises its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people, by a commitment to a practice which protects them. This obligation applies to all trustees and volunteers working for Joshua Tarrant Trust.

Joshua Tarrant Trust trustees and volunteers work to safeguard and promote the welfare of children in accordance with the Children Acts 1989 & 2004, Working Together to Safeguard Children (2018) and the Local Safeguarding Children Board. It is important that all those working with children fully understand their roles and responsibilities and know what to do if they have concerns about the welfare of a child.

Joshua Tarrant Trust occasionally works with children and families as part of its fundraising activities which can include Walk With Us and other fundraising events.

The Purpose of This Policy is:

- To protect children and young people who receive the services of Joshua Tarrant Trust.
- To provide parents, trustees and volunteers with the guiding principles for our approach to child protection.

This policy applies to anyone working on behalf of Joshua Tarrant Trust including the board of trustees and volunteers.

We Believe That:

- Children and young people should never experience abuse of any kind.
- We have a responsibility to promote the welfare of all children and young people, to keep them safe and to practise in a way that protects them.



We Recognise That:

- Welfare of the child is paramount.
- All Children, regardless of age, disability, gender assignment, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation have a right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse.
- Some children are additionally vulnerable because of the impact of previous experiences, their level of dependency, their communication needs or other issues.
- Working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting their welfare.

We Will Seek to Keep Children and Young people Safe By:

- Valuing, listening to and respecting them.
- Appointing a nominated child protection/safeguarding lead.
- Developing child protection and safeguarding policies and procedures which reflect best practice.
- Using Our safeguarding procedures to share concerns and relevant information with agencies who need to know and involving children, young people, parents, families and carers as appropriate.
- Creating and maintaining an anti-bullying environment and ensuring that we have a policy and procedure to help us deal effectively with any bullying that does arise.
- Developing and implementing an effective online safety policy and related procedures.
- Sharing information about child protection and safeguarding best practice with children, their families, trustees and volunteers via group work and one-to-one discussions.
- Recruiting trustees and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made.
- Providing effective management for trustees and volunteers through supervision, support, training and quality assurance measures.
- Implementing a code of conduct for trustees and volunteers.



- Using our procedures to manage any allegations against trustees or volunteers.
- Ensuring that we have effective complaints and whistleblowing measures in place.
- Ensuring that we provide a safe physical environment for children, young people, trustees and volunteers.
- Recording and storing information professionally and securely.

Related Policies and Procedures:

This policy statement should be read alongside our organisational policies and procedures including:

- Code of conduct for trustees and volunteers.
- GDPR Compliant Data Protection.
- Equal Opportunities.
- Volunteering.

Designated Lead for Safeguarding and Child Protection:

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If you have a safeguarding concern relating to someone who works as a trustee or a volunteer for Joshua Tarrant Trust, please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Denise Tarrant.

This is the Joshua Tarrant Trust Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.
It will be reviewed every twelve months.

Date of next review January 2021

Mrs Denise Tarrant
Founder/Trustee

