

Dealing with a Concern



Teams – Active Essex Extended Team - Safeguarding

<https://essexcountycouncil.sharepoint.com/:f:/r/sites/ActiveEssex/Shared%20Documents/General/Safeguarding?csf=1&web=1&e=HCXY1>

Appendix Three - Dealing with Safeguarding Calls or Messages for Active Essex Staff

Phone Call/Conversation:

- Listen carefully and take notes if you can.
- Try to quickly ascertain who you are speaking to and how you can contact them again.
- What is the nature of the concern?
- If there is immediate danger or need then advise to call the emergency services immediately and then call back (get their contact details first).

If the concern doesn't relate to sport, advise the caller to contact the appropriate social care service:
Southend: 01702 215007 Thurrock: 01375 652802 Essex: 0345 603 7634

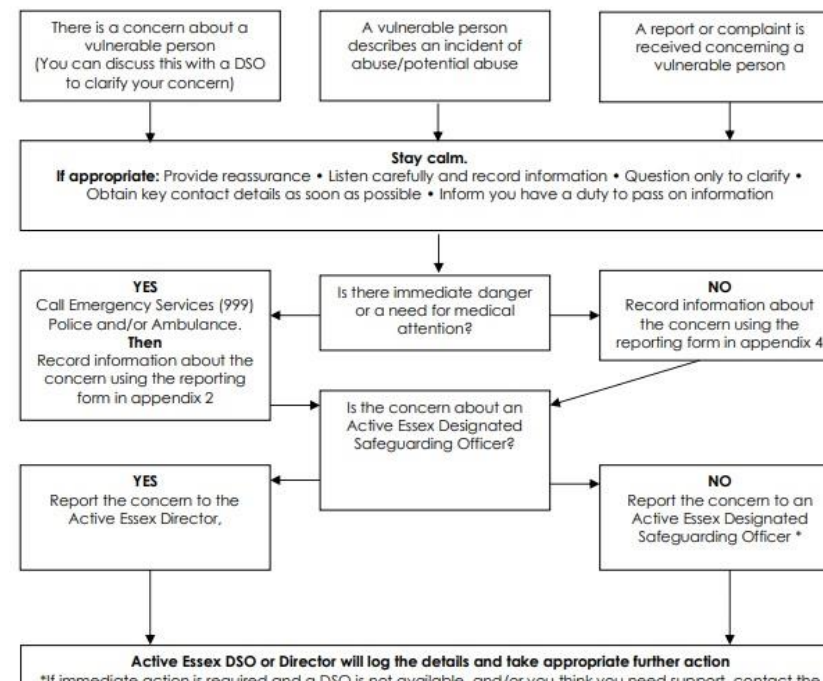
Email or letter:

Pass-on the email/or letter to an Active Essex Designated Safeguarding Officer as soon as possible. If immediate action is required and a DSO is not available, and/or you think you need support, contact the appropriate social care service (see above).

Reporting Form

Caller/reporter's details:	
Name (even if just first name)	
Contact number	
Relationship to person(s) at risk	
Person(s) at risks details:	
Name	
Address	
Contact number	
Are they aware of your concern?	

Appendix Two - Dealing with Concerns and Disclosure for Active Essex Staff



How do I report concerns?



If you're worried that a child is being abused or neglected:

Call the Children and Families Hub on 0345 603 7627 or online; **Report a concern about a child**
- Essex County Council

Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO)

The Local Authority Designated Officer (LADO) should be informed if you any have concerns where it is believed that a person working with children has:

- behaved in a way that has harmed a child, or may have harmed a child;
- possibly committed a criminal offence against or related to a child;
- behaved towards a child or children in a way that indicates they may pose a risk of harm to children;
- behaved or may have behaved in a way that indicates they may not be suitable to work with children.

Essex duty LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer)

Telephone: 03330 139 797



How do I report concerns?

Essex Police Information Sharing Form

If you have concerns about any suspicious exploitation activity outside of your venue you can use the Essex Police Partner Intel Form.

Where can I find support and guidance?

ESCB website

Safeguarding children in sport and extra-curricular activities (escb.co.uk)

Safer Recruitment

<https://thecpsu.org.uk/help-advice/topics/safer-recruitment/>



Child Protection in Sport Unit

Anyone undertaking a role that involves contact with or responsibility for children (or other vulnerable groups such as adults at risks) should be taken through a safer recruitment process.

- In England, the statutory guidance is Working together to safeguard children (PDF) (Department for Education, 2018). This highlights the responsibility of all organisations working with children to have safe recruitment practices in place

Safer Recruitment Training

- <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/training/safer-recruitment>

Self-declaration forms

<https://thecpsu.org.uk/resource-library/forms/self-declaration-forms/>

Self-declaration doesn't replace the need for a DBS disclosure check for eligible roles, but can provide additional information that a DBS check will not.

Self-declaration can be part of an organisation's safer recruitment process. It involves requiring an individual to provide information to be used as part of a decision on their suitability for a particular role with children.

It is recommended good practice to use a separate self-declaration form rather than embed self-declaration questions within their overall application form.



NSPCC



Child Protection
in Sport Unit

the loophole is now closed

a **WIN** for safeguarding in sports

sports leaders can no longer use the loophole to abuse their position of trust



Safe To Play

- New initiative funded by Sport England
- Aimed at sports coaches, parents and children
- Improving communications between clubs and parents
- Giving children a voice
- ***The aim is to prevent abuse occurring in the first instance***
- ***Evaluation?***



Best Practice

