

Children can be abused physically, sexually, emotionally or through neglect. The concerns that you have may make up part of a bigger picture which could help to prevent serious harm to a child. Giving families help at an early stage can prevent abuse and neglect.

This leaflet is the first of 3 levels of training for people who work in either a paid or voluntary role with children in Cornwall. If they have not already done so, ask the Safeguarding Officer to talk through this leaflet with you and tell you who to contact within your organisation if you have concerns. If you think you need further training talk to the person who gave you this leaflet or to any member of the Committee.

NEVER keep concerns about children's safety to yourself

CONTACTS

South West Child Protection Procedures

www.swcpp.org.uk

Lead Safeguarding Officer

Surf Life Saving GB

www.sls.gb.org.uk

ChildLine: Tel: 0800 1111

Emergency Services: 101

Devon & Cornwall Police: 08452 777444

Cornwall Safeguarding: 01872 254551

Multi-Agency Referral

Unit: 0300 1231 116

(out of hours service): 01208 251300

Keep this leaflet in a safe place you never know when you might need it!



Child Protection & Safeguarding Children

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

TIER ONE

No one wants to hear about children being abused, neglected or unsafe and that sometimes makes it difficult to respond so.....

Remember these three important messages:



1. ALL CHILDREN
HAVE A RIGHT TO
BE SAFE NO
MATTER WHO THEY
ARE OR WHAT
THEIR
CIRCUMSTANCES.

2. KEEPING CHILDREN
SAFE IS
EVERYONE'S
RESPONSIBILITY.

3. WE ALL NEED TO
LISTEN TO
CHILDREN EVEN
THOUGH WE MAY
NOT ALWAYS BE
COMFORTABLE
WITH WHAT WE
HEAR.

Who should I talk to if I have concerns about a child?

Write the name and contact details
here of who you should talk to in your
agency if you have concerns about a
child, if possible write two people down
in case one is not available.

Name: Mrs. Lisa Mannall

Role: Safeguarding Officer

Phone: 01637 830766

Email: lisa.mannall@btinternet.com

Name: Mr. Dave Holt

Role: Vice Chairperson

Phone: 01637 830158

Email: dave_holt@sky.com

If these contact people are not
available do not delay but contact
one of the numbers at the end of
this leaflet.

REMEMBER

- It doesn't matter if you are a parent, a volunteer or a member of the community, you have a responsibility to act if you are worried about a child.
- Holywell Bay SLSC has someone who has responsibility for child protection and safeguarding issues - they have had training to know what to do next.
- It is not your responsibility to investigate child abuse but you should tell the appropriate person within our organisation. It will be this person's job to decide whether to pass your concerns on. If necessary they will speak to Children's Social Care or the police. The police and social workers can then decide whether they need to investigate your concerns.