**Sudbury Storms Child Protection Policy**

*Updated June 2019, Review date May 2020*

As a full member of Swim England (and SwimMark accredited), Sudbury & District Swimming Club agree with and abide by Swim England’s procedures and guidelines for Child Protection in Swimming which have been written in conjunction with the NSPCC

A full copy of the Procedure and Guidelines (labeled as WavePower 2016-2019) can be seen on the following website

<https://www.britishswimming.org/about-us/wavepower-2016-19/>

A hard copy is also available poolside, from the Club’s welfare Officer, Coaches and Team Manager

*“SwimEngland believe that children’s welfare is everyone’s responsibility, particularly when it comes to protecting children from abuse. Everyone in swimming – administrator, club official, coach, parent, friend, children can help*

*The procedures stem from the following procedures*

* *The child’s welfare is the first consideration*
* *All children, regardless of age, any disability they may have, gender, racial origin, religious belief and sexual identity have a right to be protected from abuse”*

The Welfare Officer, coaching staff and members of the committee have also attended training courses in Child Protection

According to SwimEngland guidelines the club maintains a child protection register of everyone over 18 who has contact with the children

**IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS AT ALL remember it is not your responsibility to decide whether a child is being abused, remain calm, make a detailed note of what you have seen or heard and pass the information on…**

Tell a club officer, coach or official

Or ring SWIM LINE on 0808 100 4001. This number is also available from the poster on the club notice board

**Your Club Welfare Officer is:**

Ann Alexander, Welfare Officer for 2018/2019

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