



## **Safeguarding Statement**

Battle and District Riding Club (BDRC) is committed to the safety and welfare of our horses, our members and anyone who participates in our activities.

BDRC has an adult membership. Any under 18s that interact with the Club activities are accompanied by an adult. We have assessed the risk profile and believe that given we are a small club with strong relationships across the Club and an adult demographic do not believe we need a specific safeguarding policy.

All members are required to have read and accept the Club's Constitution/Code of Conduct which sets out the expectations of all members.

We have a designated safeguarding lead. If any member or anyone attending one of the Club's activities suspects harm is being caused by or to any member or anyone attending a Club activity they are encouraged to talk to any Committee member who will signpost them to, or speak to our Safeguarding Lead as appropriate.

All Committee members have a basic understanding of safeguarding and know how to contact the Safeguarding Lead if anyone raises concerns. There will be a confidential record of all concerns that are raised with the Club Safeguarding Officer. The Club Safeguarding Officer will ensure the Chair is made aware if any cases are escalated outside of BDRC.

The Committee will review this approach on an annual basis.

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