



2018 Child Safeguarding Statement

The Catholic Guides of Ireland in accordance with our Safeguarding Policy and our legislative requirements have agreed this Child Safeguarding Statement which is binding on all members and Units of our Association.

The Catholic Guides of Ireland is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of its membership. At all times members should show respect and understanding for each other's rights, safety and welfare and conduct themselves in a manner that reflects the principles of the Association.

We are committed to ensuring that our volunteers and staff are carefully selected, trained and supervised and that our children and young people know how to voice their concerns and fully utilise the reporting and complaints procedure if they find there is something they are not happy about.

We have completed an assessment of the potential for harm to children when they are participating in Guiding activities under the headings: Recruitment, Activities, Camping, Overnight trips/holidays, Reporting Procedures, Facilities, Communications, Transport.

In addition to our Risk Assessment document, the following procedures support our intention to safeguard our members:

Safeguarding Policy

Training Policy including Safeguarding training

Volunteer Policy

Social Inclusion Policy

Health and Safety Policy

Outdoor Policy

Complaints Procedure

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Reporting Procedures

Reporting Officers

Procedures for management of allegations against Volunteers/Staff

Appointing Designated Liaison Person.

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been prepared in accordance with the legislature requirements contained in the Children First Act 2015 and the Children (NI) Order 1995 and will be reviewed in January 2019.

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Emily McCann
Chief Commissioner

Date:

9/3/2018



Nicola Toughey
National Officer Coordinator/ Relevant Person

Date:

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