

Providing holidays for disadvantaged children regardless of race, religion or politics

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Protection of children policy statement.

The purpose of the Send a Child to Hucklow Fund CIO (SACHF) is to fund the provision of holidays for disadvantaged children at the Nightingale Centre, Great Hucklow, Derbyshire. We have no paid staff and none of the volunteer trustees are physically involved at the centre in the care of the children.

SACHF is committed to the safeguarding of children and recognise that we all have a responsibility to help prevent harm or abuse to children with care and support needs in all their recognised forms.

We believe that every child should be valued safe and happy. The Nightingale Centre has a safeguarding policy in place, a copy of that policy is available on request.

The groups who attend the centre, funded by SACHF, are also required to each have their own safeguarding policies. The groups provide their own leaders and it is their responsibility to ensure that leaders have the necessary DBS certificates. The importance of safeguarding is set out in the Leaders' Guide which is sent to the leader of each group. SACHF requires the DBS numbers on the leaders' form and the leaders of each group complete and sign a liability exemption form which confirms that all DBS checks have been carried out and successfully completed on all staff and accompanying helpers and that the group has an appropriate safeguarding policy in place.

In the event of any of the trustees, or visitors with the trustees, visiting the centre to meet the children, such visits shall take place in the presence of one of the group's leaders.

Sarah Benfield (Chair of Trustees)