



## **THE TORCH CENTRE SAFEGUARDING POLICY**

As users of the TORCH Centre we commit ourselves to care for one another's safety.

We recognise that everyone has a different level of vulnerability and that each of us may be regarded as being at risk at some time.

We commit ourselves to safeguard people who may be at risk, ensuring their well-being while using the facilities of this Centre by:

- Promoting safe practice by those in positions of trust who work with children/young people and/or adults who might be at risk;
- Promoting the inclusion and empowerment of people who might be at risk.

It is the responsibility of each of us to prevent any form of abuse, including physical, sexual, emotional, verbal and financial. Any abuse that we discover or suspect will be reported to the Safeguarding Officer who, in turn, will report it to the Chair of the Management Committee and any other relevant authorities.

The Administrator of the TORCH Centre is the Safeguarding Officer.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Safeguarding Officer in conjunction with the Chair of the Management Committee prior to and for approval by the members annually at the Annual General Meeting.

*Signed: Brian Massey  
(Chairman, TORCH Management Committee)*

*Date: 24.05.2017*