



Make (Good) Trouble Safeguarding Policy statement

This has been created specifically for anyone working on behalf of Make (Good) Trouble, including paid staff, volunteers and students.

You as the worker are responsible for thoroughly reading through this document. At the bottom of the document there is a section whereby you need to state you have read and understood this. Any questions should be directed to Tayler Cresswell. (Contact details are in section 6)

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Section 1: The purpose and scope of this policy statement

Make (Good) Trouble C.I.C. works with children and parents as part of its activities. These include: film making, audio recording, digital content creation, creative workshops and online forums such as our Raising Teens in Lockdown Facebook Group.

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The purpose of this policy statement is:

- To ensure the protection of children and young people who work with and receive Make (Good) Trouble's services.
- To provide parents, staff and volunteers with the overarching principles that guide our approach to child protection.

This policy statement applies to anyone working on behalf of Make (Good) Trouble, including paid staff, volunteers and students.

Section 2: Legal framework

This policy has been drawn up on the basis of legislation, policy and guidance that seeks to protect children in England. A summary of the key legislation and guidance is available from <https://learning.nspcc.org.uk/child-protection-system/england>.

We believe that:

- Children and young people should never experience abuse of any kind
- We have a responsibility to promote the welfare of all children and young people, to keep them safe and to practise in a way that protects them.

We recognise that:

- the welfare of the child is paramount
- all children, regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief, sex, or sexual orientation have a right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse
- some children are additionally vulnerable because of the impact of previous experiences, their level of dependency, communication needs or other issues
- Working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

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Section 3: what do we as Make (Good) Trouble do to keep the children and young people we work with safe

We will seek to keep children and young people safe by:

- valuing, listening to and respecting them
- appointing a nominated child protection/safeguarding lead and a deputy child protection/safeguarding lead
- using our safeguarding procedures to share concerns and relevant information with agencies who need to know, and involving children, young people, parents, families and carers appropriately
- creating and maintaining an anti-bullying environment
- recruiting staff and volunteers safely, ensuring all necessary checks are made, including DBS checks which are updated yearly
- providing effective management for staff and volunteers through supervision, support and training
- ensuring all staff have undertaken safeguarding training, and the Safeguarding Leads have undertaken Safeguarding Lead (Children) training
- using our procedures to manage any allegations against staff and volunteers appropriately
- ensuring that we provide a safe physical environment for our children, young people, staff and volunteers, by applying health and safety measures in accordance with the law and regulatory guidance
- recording and storing information professionally and securely in accordance with our GDPR and privacy policy
- Ensuring that each project we commence has a robust risk assessment carried out in accordance with this safeguarding policy.

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Section 4: Online delivery procedure

- All online delivery must be done on a trusted source/platform which has been agreed upon by both Make (Good) Trouble, the young person and the parent/carer of the young person (and school if applicable)
- The parent/carer must be aware that the online delivery is happening
- There must be at least two adults present during the online delivery. this can be any worker for Make (Good) Trouble, a school worker or a parent/carer (or representative of). This is to ensure the safety of the young person and worker(s)
- The online login details/links for the online platform must only be given to the people attending
- No unconsented recording can take place during the online delivery
- The young person must be made aware of their rights and of any rules of the online delivery at the beginning.
- If any unpermitted or inappropriate behaviour take places throughout the meeting the worker must take the following steps of health and safety:
 - 1: explain to those involved that “The video call has to end immediately due to an incident that has just taken place, everyone involved on this video will be contacted soon. If you have any questions, contact Make (Good) Trouble.
 - 2: make notes and get in contact with Jane Keating or Tayler Cresswell (contact details in section 6)

Section 5: Coronavirus additions to this statement

Coronavirus

- During the coronavirus pandemic, we have moved to working remotely and our team hold weekly meetings and catch-ups over video conferencing, messaging services and telephone.
- The wellbeing of our team and the young people we work with is paramount. We ensure that lines of communication are kept open with staff and young people are able to contact us via text, telephone, email and video conferencing
- We have support plans for team members, including regular time off and time away from screens

During this time, our film and digital content is created, edited and remotely. If face-to-face interviews are deemed necessary, a risk assessment will be carried out, social distancing will be adhered to and all equipment will be kept clean and sanitised to reduce the risk of spread of infections. We will maintain Covid-19 related infection control processes.

Section 6: contact details

Nominated child protection lead

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Section 7: finishing statements

We are committed to reviewing our policy, its implementation and good practice **annually**.
This policy was last reviewed on **31 July 2020**.

Signed: 

Deputy Child Protection Lead, Make (Good) Trouble CIC

Date: 31 July 2020