



STATEMENT OF INTENT

Portarlington Golf Club is fully committed to creating a safe, healthy, and inclusive environment for all, particularly our Junior Golfers. The Club is always committed to ensuring their safety and welfare. Every individual in the Club should always show respect and understanding for the rights, safety and welfare of all and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club

The Committee of Management has carefully considered its responsibilities to the children participating in golf and visiting the Club and will endeavour to ensure through this Code of Ethics the safety and protection of all children involved with the Club, while at the same time supporting and protecting their leaders in fulfilling their roles and responsibilities.

It is the responsibility of all within the Club to assist the Committee in this endeavour.

This Code of Ethics is based on the national guidelines as outlined in the following documents and has been updated in line with the Department of Children and Youth Affairs 2011 publication of Children First; National Guidance for the Protection of Children.

Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport, Irish Sports Council & Sports Council Northern Ireland 2005;

- Code of Ethics for Golf for Young People
- Children First; National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children 2011,
- Our Duty of Care, Department of Health & Children 2002;
- Children in Golf; Protecting the Future.
- Children in Golf Strategy Group with the NSPCC, 2005
- Children (NI) Order, 1995;
- Co-operating to Safeguard Children 2003;
- Area Child Protection Committee Regional Policy and Procedures, 2005
- National Vetting Bureau (Children and Vulnerable Persons) Acts 2012 to 2016
- Children First Act 2015.



Captain Portarlington Golf Club