

## CHILD SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT



Carnew Training & Development Centre is committed to safeguarding the rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults (herein after referred to as “young people”).

Our duty to care is to provide a safe space for young people and to ensure that they are safe from sexual, physical and emotional harm, and are in a healthy learning environment.

The safety and welfare of young people is paramount in decisions, activities and programmes involving young people in our Centre.

Our Child Safeguarding Statement has been developed in line with requirements under the Children First Act 2015, Children First: National Guidance for the Protection and Welfare of Children (2017), and Tusla’s Child Safeguarding: A Guide for Policy, Procedure and Practice. In addition to the procedures listed in our risk assessment, the following procedures support our intention to safeguard children while they are availing of our service

- Procedure for the management of allegations of abuse or misconduct against workers/volunteers of a child availing of our service;
- Procedure for the safe recruitment and selection of workers and volunteers to work with children;
- Procedure for provision of and access to child safeguarding training and information, including the identification of the occurrence of harm;
- Procedure for the reporting of child protection or welfare concerns to Tusla;
- Procedure for maintaining a list of the persons (if any) in the relevant service who are mandated persons;
- Procedure for appointing a relevant person.

We have carried out an assessment of any potential for harm to a child while availing of our services and maintains a risk register in relation to this. This register identifies all risks of harm and lists the policies and procedures that help eliminate or reduce these risks.

Carnew Training & Development Centre expects all staff that are in contact with young people through their involvement with classes in Carnew Training & Development Centre will follow the policies and procedures set out in the Carnew Training & Development Centre Child Protection Policy document.

The policies and procedures in the Carnew Training & Development Centre Child Protection Policy document apply to all board members, management and staff of Carnew Training & Development Centre and outside Trainers employed by Carnew Training & Development Centre, as well as all other users of the facilities at the Centre.

The policies and procedures apply to all children and young people under the age of 18 and vulnerable adults, whether involved in activities in Carnew Training & Development Centre or participating in activities organised by Carnew Training & Development Centre.

We recognize that implementation is an ongoing process. Carnew Training and Development Centre is committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the accompanying safeguarding policies and procedures that support our intention to keep children who are members or recipients of our services safe from harm.

This Statement will be reviewed every year or as soon as practicable after there has been a material change in any matter to which the statement refers.

***The Centre policies are available on our website or from reception on request.***

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Denise Kenny', written over a horizontal line.

Centre Manager