Introduction
StreetGames will ensure Safeguarding is led in the organisation by the Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO). This individual will take a lead in relation to safeguarding/child protection issues, with StreetGames and its delivery chain. The DSO will be expected to attend a basic child protection awareness course (e.g. scUK Good Practice & Child Protection, LSCB course, or equivalent) and are subject to a disclosure and barring service (DBS) check.

Details of StreetGames’ Designated Safeguarding Officer are provided at the bottom of this Appendix.

Responsibilities of the DSO:
- Be the lead for StreetGames work on the welfare and safety of young people across the organisation. This includes the promotion of a child or young person centred approach to the development and delivery of programmes, activities, events and residential experiences.
- Be responsible for the inclusion and monitoring of Safeguarding within the StreetMark Process;
- Receiving notification of any information relating to safeguarding/child protection issues.
- Making any immediate enquiries necessary to clarify the nature of the concern, and identifying which other organisations should be contacted.
- Deciding on an appropriate response (when necessary having sought advice and support from CPSU or other statutory child care agency e.g. Social/Children’s Services or Police, or another sports organisation).
- Responses could include consulting with or referring the matter to another sports organisation’s safeguarding officer (e.g. CSP, NGB or LA Leisure Services), or contacting a statutory agency such as Social/Children’s Services or Police.
- If the concerns relate to the behaviour of a member of staff or volunteer (poor practice or suspected abuse), consulting with the relevant manager/HR so appropriate disciplinary processes can be initiated.
- Recording all actions (including those actions agreed by other organisations or individuals) and establishing a record, which is stored securely in accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act.
- Providing advice to staff on safeguarding matters.
- Acting as the organisational link with other agencies or organisations involved in dealing with safeguarding issues, which arise.
- Ensuring all office staff are aware of and understand these procedures.
- Ensure there is adequate training for staff of the organisation in areas including Safeguarding, Working with young people and dealing with extremism and radicalisation
- Oversee the DBS process for StreetGames ensuring the DBS check is part of inductions for relevant staff and reviewing staff lists on a regular basis.
- Ensure Safeguarding is a part of all new staff member’s induction and is a part of the internal audit and process training for all staff.

The Designated Safeguarding Officer role is to be carried out by the Head of Youth and Sport

In his/her absence, this is to be deputised by the Deputy Chief Executive

Designated Safeguarding Officer