

Clare Youth Service Child Protection Policy Statement.

We in Clare Youth Service are committed to practices, which protects children from harm. Staff and volunteers in this organisation accept and recognise our responsibilities to develop awareness of the practises, which cause children harm.

We will endeavour to safeguard children by:

1. Adopting child protection guidelines through a code of behaviour for staff and volunteers. In this instance Clare Youth Service are adopting the newly launched Code of Good Practice – Child Protection for the Youth Work Sector.
2. Sharing information about child protection and good practice with children, parents, staff and volunteers.
3. Sharing information about concerns with agencies that need to know, and involving parents and children appropriately.
4. Following carefully the procedures for recruitment and selection of staff and volunteers.
5. Providing effective management for staff and volunteers through supervision, support and training.
6. Clare Youth Service is also committed to reviewing our policy and good practice at regular intervals.

(It should be noted that “Children” as used in this document refers to all young people under the age of 18 years.)