

## **Muckross Hockey Club Safeguarding Policy**

Muckross Hockey Club is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of all it's participants and will endeavour to create a safe environment for all individuals involved in our sport.

Young people deserve to be given enjoyable, safe sporting opportunities and every individual in hockey is required to show respect and understanding for all participants' rights, safety and welfare. They should conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the organisation and the guidelines contained in the Sport Ireland Code of Ethics and Good Practice for Children's Sport.

Muckross Hockey Club will aim, at all times, to ensure that young people can perform to the best of their ability in an atmosphere that is enjoyable and safe, and in an environment free from abuse, neglect, bullying and intimidation. We will do this by:

- Recognising the rights of all underage players to participate free from harm in a safe and enjoyable environment.
- Appointing a Childrens' Officer to work within the organisation of Muckross Hockey Club
- Appointing a Designated Liaison Person to work with the Statutory Authorities.
- Responding without delay to any threats to the welfare of underage players.
- Ensuring that all sports leaders involved in Muckross Hockey Club are aware of and comply with our Code of Conduct.

Copies of our Codes of Conduct and Child Safeguarding Statement are available to view on our Website under **Club Policies**