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Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy

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1. PURPOSE

The purpose of the policy is to define Council's commitment towards the safeguarding of children and young people.

2. **LEGISLATION**

This policy relates to Council's obligations under the Child and Youth Safe Organisations Act 2023 (Tas)

3. POLICY

- Council is committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people while enabling their participation as valued members of our community.
- Council has zero tolerance to child abuse and harm.
- Our people are obligated to prioritise the safety of the children they interact with in the performance of their role and to report conduct of concern.
- Council recognises the importance of child safety in the provision of children and young people services.
- Council recognise our legal and moral responsibilities in keeping children and young people safe
- Council wants children and young people to thrive, be safe, happy, and empowered, and are dedicated to ensuring their views are listened to and respected, and they are given opportunities to contribute to how we plan and deliver our services that affect them.
- Council is committed to being a Child Safe Organisation.

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