

ULLAPOOL COASTAL ROWING CLUB

Policy Statement on Child Protection

- Ullapool Coastal Rowing Club (UCRC) is aware of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007 and the PVG Scheme which applies to regulated work with children and protected adults.
- UCRC has undertaken an assessment with, and taken verbal advice from, Volunteer Scotland and has drawn an informed conclusion that we currently do not have any responsibilities under the PVG Scheme. However, we are very clear that this position may change and the Committee of UCRC will monitor the situation on a regular basis
- In reaching this conclusion, we agreed with Volunteer Scotland that what the club does, and what the members do within the club, is not regulated work. Whilst we have children as members, it is not the sole purpose of the club to care for, train, supervise, provide personal services to, or work directly with children on a regular and formal basis
- The PVG Scheme does not apply to parents helping their children or to personal arrangements that parents may make with friends and family to look after their children.
- Regardless of the above points, UCRC aims to ensure that children are kept safe from harm while they take part in events organised, or attended, by the club. In order to achieve this we will ensure that communication with all members is effective and as frequent as deemed necessary.
- UCRC child protection issues must be taken seriously and referred to the child protection agencies (ie social work and/or police) for appropriate investigation. Any issues of a criminal nature will be reported to the police. Anyone who has a concern has a duty to raise it in the first instance with a Committee Member or the Convenor.

UCRC Committee

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