

CHESTERFIELD BASKETBALL CLUB

Safeguarding Annual Report

Presented to the Annual General Meeting

Reporting Period: April 2024 – April 2025

1. Introduction

This report is submitted to the Annual General Meeting of Chesterfield Basketball Club by the Club Safeguarding Officer. It provides a summary of safeguarding activity across both the senior and junior sections of the club for the period April 2024 to April 2025, and sets out planned actions for the forthcoming year.

Safeguarding remains a priority for Chesterfield Basketball Club. The club is committed to ensuring that our members, guests and opposition can enjoy basketball in a safe and supportive environment.

2. Safeguarding Officer

The Club Safeguarding Officer serves as the primary point of contact for all safeguarding matters within the club. Any concerns raised by players, parents, coaches, or volunteers should be directed to this person in the first instance.

Name: Isaac Lockett

Email: safeguarding@chesterfieldbasketballclub.co.uk

Isaac's safeguarding training and certification is current and up to date for the reporting period.

3. Incident Summary

3.1 Senior Basketball

No major safeguarding incidents were recorded within the senior section of the club during the reporting period.

3.2 Junior Basketball

No major safeguarding incidents were recorded within the junior section of the club during the reporting period.

3.3 Recorded Concerns

One concern was recorded during the reporting period, details of which are summarised below.

Category	Detail
Nature of Incident	Verbal abuse
Initial Response	Addressed directly by the coach at the time of the incident
Logged By	Isaac Lockett, Club Safeguarding Officer
Escalation Required	No, the matter was resolved at club level and did not require further escalation
Outcome	Resolved satisfactorily. Incident logged and retained on file.

4. Policy & Compliance

The club's Safeguarding Policy remains in place and is available to all members, coaches, and parents upon request. The policy will be reviewed as part of the next annual cycle to ensure it remains current and in line with best practice guidance.

The club continues to comply with its obligations under safeguarding legislation and governing body requirements.

5. Actions for the Forthcoming Year

The following actions have been identified for the 2025–2026 cycle:

5.1 Safeguarding Officer Contact Details – Club Website

- It has been noted that the Club Safeguarding Officer's contact details are not currently listed on the club website. This will be rectified as a priority action.
- Isaac Lockett's name and email address (safeguarding@chesterfieldbasketballclub.co.uk) will be published on the club website so that all members, parents, and coaches know who to contact with any safeguarding concerns.

5.2 DBS Checks

- A review of all current DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) certificates will be carried out to confirm that every coach and relevant volunteer is up to date.
- Any certificates approaching expiry will be renewed promptly.
- All new coaches joining the club will be required to obtain a DBS check before working with players, in line with club policy.

5.3 New Coach Induction

- All new coaches will be made aware of their safeguarding obligations as part of their induction to the club.
- Isaac Lockett will be formally introduced to all coaches, new and existing, as the designated safeguarding point of contact.

5.4 Coaches' Safeguarding Meeting

- Following the approval of this report at the AGM, a meeting will be convened with all coaches at the start of the new cycle.
- The meeting will provide an opportunity to discuss any outstanding concerns, review responsibilities, and serve as a general reminder to all coaches of the important role they play in creating a safe and positive environment for every player.
- Notes from this meeting will be retained on file.

6. Summary

Chesterfield Basketball Club has had a positive safeguarding year. There were no major incidents across either the senior or junior sections of the club. One verbal abuse concern was raised, handled promptly and appropriately at the time, and logged by the Safeguarding Officer. No further escalation was required.

The club is committed to maintaining a safe environment for all of its members and will continue to take its safeguarding responsibilities seriously in the year ahead.

This report is submitted for approval by the Annual General Meeting.

Isaac Lockett

Club Safeguarding Officer

Chesterfield Basketball Club

April 2025