

## **CHILD WELFARE PLAN FOR OFFICIALS AT EVESHAM REGATTAS**

The Organising Committee of Evesham Regattas believes that the welfare and wellbeing of all children is paramount. All children, regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, religion or ability, have equal rights to safety and protection.

All participating clubs have been advised that all suspicions, concerns and allegations of harm will be taken seriously and have been told that these should be reported without delay to an Evesham Rowing Club volunteer or Regatta Official, whereupon they will be responded to swiftly and appropriately in accordance with this Regatta Child Welfare Plan.

1. In the event that such a matter is brought to a Regatta Official's attention, Race HQ should be informed as soon as possible giving clear concise details of the incident – keep it brief – full details can be sought later.
2. Having referred the details to Race HQ, the Regatta Official should make a record of the time of the alleged incident and the person making the report's name and contact details.
3. Race HQ will then alert the Regatta Welfare Officer by mobile telephone (Mrs Sue Lomas). Should she not be available to offer immediate assistance, Terry Sexton (Regatta Safety Advisor) will deputise for her.
4. The Regatta Welfare Officer (or her deputy) will then decide on an appropriate course of action, alerting the local police or BR Child Protection Officers as appropriate.
5. It will be the responsibility of the Regatta Welfare Officer to make a written record of the incident and outcomes.

### **Mobile phone:**

Regatta Welfare Officer (number to be advised and retained by Race HQ)

### **Radio Circuits:**

Channel 1: Race Control, Rescue Boats, Umpires

Channel 2: Marshals

Channel 3: Communications between Rescue Boats