

ST JOHNSTONE FOOTBALL CLUB



WELCOME INFORMATION

St Johnstone Football Club has a long and proven track record in youth development and the aim of everyone who has a stake in the clubs Youth Academy is mutual – the identification and development of young football players for the benefit of both the player, his family, and St Johnstone Football Club.

The club earnestly hopes that as well as developing on-field skills that it can also play a part in the general character development of young people through good leadership, the teaching of life skills and positive coaching.

However, against this backdrop, there is one overriding aim – to ensure that every child and young person who becomes involved with the club does so knowing that they are safe from harm, exploitation, and abuse in whatever form these dangers may present themselves.

Equally important is that parents and guardians know that they can entrust their children to us in the full knowledge that safeguards are in place to protect their loved ones from the same dangers.

St Johnstone Football Club's Child Wellbeing and Protection Policy is the key document in enabling us to reach our collective goals in terms of child safeguarding and the Club has in place to ensure that the employees and any other staff involved in the development of our young talent carry out their roles using the criteria and philosophy therein.

Francis Smith

CEO

St Johnstone Football Club

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It is important that parents, guardians, and players make themselves aware of the following information.

CHILD WELLBEING AND PROTECTION POLICY

[Microsoft Word - St Johnstone Child Protection Policy \[15\].docx \(perthstjohnstonefc.co.uk\)](#)

Child Wellbeing and Protection Officer:

Dave Graham: safeguarder@perthsaints.co.uk

CODES OF CONDUCT

The club have Codes of Conduct for Coaches, Players, Parents and Guardians and Scouts.

Copies of these are available on request.

What children should expect from adults - Stay Safe and Have Fun in Sport leaflet

<https://www.children1st.org.uk/media/4813/safeguardinginsportleaflet.pdf>

ANTI-BULLYING POLICY

Our anti-bullying policy is included in the Child Protection Policy –

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Head of Recruitment – Stuart Haggarty - stuarthaggarty@perthsaints.co.uk

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OTHER CONTACTS

Scottish Football Association – Wellbeing and Protection <https://www.scottishfa.co.uk/scottish-fa/wellbeing-protection/>

Information - Rights and Wellbeing

[Children and Young People | Rights and Wellbeing | Scottish FA](#)

Guide for young people on registration to play in Club Academy Scotland.

<https://www.scottishfa.co.uk/media/6333/cas-registration-guide.pdf>

Perth and Kinross Social Work Child Protection Duty Team 01738 476768

Police Scotland - 101

Safeguarding in Sport - 0141 418 5674

<https://www.children1st.org.uk/help-for-families/safeguarding-in-sport/>

Children 1st 0131 446 2300 <https://www.children1st.org.uk/>

Parentline Scotland - 08000 28 22 33

<https://www.children1st.org.uk/help-for-families/parentline-scotland/>

Childline 0800 1111

RespectMe - <https://respectme.org.uk/>

Child Exploitation Online Protection www.ceop.police.uk

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GETTING IT RIGHT FOR EVERY CHILD (GIRFEC)

The GIRFEC approach is about how staff in all children's services meet their needs by working together to ensure that children reach their full potential. For more information, please visit <https://www.gov.scot/policies/girfec/wellbeing-indicators-shanarri/>



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