

STATEMENT FOR SAFEGUARDING OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Skylight Sound believes that it is unacceptable for a child or young person to experience abuse of any kind and recognises its responsibility to safeguard the welfare of all children and young people by a commitment to practice which protects them.

In order to do this we recognise that:

- The welfare of the child/young person is paramount.
- All children and young people whatever their age, culture, disability, gender, language, racial origin, religious beliefs and/or sexual identity have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse.

Due to the nature of services provided, especially around fitting children and young people with equipment such as personal wireless microphones, Skylight Sound will ensure that staff (including volunteers) are aware of child protection measures. This will include:

- Ensuring that the child/young person is happy to have equipment fitted
- An appropriate chaperone/adult is present when fitting equipment/cabling

Skylight also has a duty to ensure children/young people remain safe. This includes

- Valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- Adopting child safeguarding guidelines through procedures and a code of conduct for staff and volunteers
- Recruiting staff and volunteers safely ensuring all necessary checks are made
- Sharing information about concerns with agencies who need to know, involving parents and children appropriately