



## **Adult welfare policy**

Verwood Town Football Club (VTFC) is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for playing football.

All adults regardless of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation status have the right to be protected from abuse and poor practice and to participate in an enjoyable and safe environment.

The club will seek to ensure that our sport remains inclusive and we make reasonable adjustments where needed.

We have a shared responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of all adults and will act appropriately to report concerns.

Any concerns raised about club members will be taken seriously and responded to in line with the disciplinary policy.

Where to go for support:

Club welfare officer – Clare Nixon, 07758246452, [welfare@vtyfc.co.uk](mailto:welfare@vtyfc.co.uk)

County FA - [safeguarding@dorsetfa.com](mailto:safeguarding@dorsetfa.com)

Dorset Council – 01305 221016

Websites

Ann Craft Trust – Safeguarding Adults in Sport and Activity  
<https://www.anncrafttrust.org/>

Dorset Mind - <https://dorsetmind.uk/>

Sporting Chance - <https://www.sportingchanceclinic.com/>

Paragon (domestic abuse, sexual abuse, stalking) -  
<https://paragonteam.org.uk/teams/dorset/>

Samaritans - <https://www.samaritans.org/>

Gamble Aware - <https://www.gambleaware.org/>

Addictions - <https://www.edp.org.uk/reach/>