



Safeguarding Children & Vulnerable Adults

Safeguarding of children is vitally important and the below summarises our values and the people you can contact should you have any concerns.

EPMIS recognises that by providing a Men's Shed (referred to as Shed) for the community, it has a duty of care to protect both its members and any children or vulnerable adults from harm whilst working on external projects. EPMIS's Management Committee / Board of Trustees has the following values in safeguarding its members:

- All Sheddors have the right to participate in the activities of the Shed, free from abuse or neglect, or fear of abuse or neglect.
- All Sheddors have the right to have their views, wishes, feelings and beliefs respected and taken into account.
- All Sheddors have the right to be provided with a safe environment with adequate health and safety procedures in place.
- All Sheddors have the right not to be discriminated against for their age, gender, sexuality, race or other personal characteristics.
- All Sheddors have the right to have any allegation they make about abuse or neglect taken seriously and acted upon immediately.

In addition, any member of the shed that comes into contact with **children or vulnerable adults** as part of their activities or projects (e.g. a local school project) must be in possession of a DBS Check Certificate, and have read, understood and signed any relevant safeguarding document supplied by that organisation before commencing any duties on behalf of EPMIS.

EPMIS's Safeguarding Contacts:

Below are the Sheds main contacts if you need to report a safeguarding issue as detailed in this policy, or need further information.

Safeguarding Contact (SC): NEIL ELLIS SC Tel: 0751 660 3935
SC Email: neilellis13@gmail.com

Safeguarding Contact (SC): KEN GLOVER SC Tel: 0771 716 4230
SC Email: kenglover01@sky.com

The people named above are responsible for **recording** safeguarding issues or concerns, **alerting** the local authority or police if an issue arises, **getting advice** from the local authority on safeguarding in the Shed and **arranging training**, if necessary.

You should contact the above named contacts if you have any concerns about an adult in the Shed, including yourself. They will follow the procedures of this Safeguarding Policy.