

Lynton & Barnstaple Railway Child Protection Policy Statement

The Directors of the Company believe that child protection is the responsibility of everyone, including the trustees, directors, managers, supervisors, and staff - whether paid or unpaid.

Every child and young person has the right to be safe and happy in the activities in which they participate. Parents and carers must feel secure in the knowledge that their children do not come to any harm whilst in the care of the Company.

All concerns will be taken seriously and acted upon appropriately and will pay attention to what children say and feel.

All staff are required to make sure that children involved in the work of the Company are safe from any form of abuse.

The Company will be rigorous and vigilant in protecting children coming into contact with it. This will be done through careful recruitment processes for those areas of work which may involve substantial unsupervised work with, or care of, children.

There will be appropriate induction that includes guidance on appropriate behaviour towards children.

All members of staff will be made aware of this Child Protection Policy and what to do if they have concerns.

There will be Designated Child Protection Persons responsible for dealing with child protection issues and there will be guidance for those responsible for responding to concerns in order to ensure that they are properly dealt with.

Information about the name of the Designated Child Protection Persons will be placed on notice boards as well as in any information leaflets given to staff, parents and children.

*Railway Management Team
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