PATROL ROAD CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY, PORTKNOCKIE

Child Protection Policy

For the purpose of this policy, PVG Scheme Records, PVG Scheme Record Updates, Standard and Enhanced disclosures will be referred to as Disclosure Records.

This policy applies to regulated work with children as defined in the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (Scotland) Act 2007.

The PATROL ROAD CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY aims to ensure that all children are kept safe from harm while they are with volunteers in this organisation. In order to achieve this we will ensure our volunteers are carefully selected, screened, trained, supervised, and agree to comply with the policy procedures and guidelines per the Key Documents stated in the Policy Summary.

Selection

- Those volunteering for children's and youth work in the organisation will be appraised for their role.

Screening

- Any suitable volunteers will be asked to complete a Disclosure Record relevant to the position applied for prior to taking up the post.

Training

- The successful applicant will receive induction training, which will give an overview of the organisation and ensure they know its purpose, values, services and structure. Training on specific areas such as health and safety procedures, identifying and reporting abuse, and confidentiality will be given as a priority to new volunteers and regularly reviewed.

Supervision

- We will ensure that all activities helpers are aware of this policy and have received appropriate training and support to ensure its full implementation.

Reporting Abuse

Patrol Road Christian Assembly understands that in addition to making a referral (a written report) to Volunteer Scotland, child protection issues concerning workers, children and young people must always be referred to the child protection agencies for appropriate investigation. Any issues of a criminal nature will be reported to the police.

Legal issues

It is an offence for an individual who is barred to undertake the type of regulated work from which they are barred.

It is an offence for an organisation to offer regulated work to someone who is barred or fail to remove a person from regulated work if they have been notified that they are barred.

It is an offence for an organisation not to refer an individual to Volunteer Scotland where the grounds have been met.

The undersigned Designated Safeguarding Co-Ordinators accept and will adhere to this policy on behalf of Patrol Road Hall Christian Assembly

Signed & Dated

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(James Brown – Designated Safeguarding Co-Ordinator)

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