

## **Safeguarding Info**

Grow 73 is committed to creating a safe environment for all users of the community garden and our activities. In particular, we recognise our moral and legal obligations to protect children and vulnerable adults. To this end, we will ensure that staff, trustees, members and volunteers take all reasonable steps to promote safe practice and to protect children and vulnerable adults from harm, abuse and exploitation.

If you have any questions or concerns relating to safeguarding please contact the following people:-

Lynn Semple, Lead Trustee for Safeguarding: Email: <a href="mailto:secretary@grow73.org">secretary@grow73.org</a>

Eugenie Aroutcheff, Grow 73 Project Co-ordinator: Email: <a href="mailto:Eugenie@grow73.org">Eugenie@grow73.org</a> Mobile: 07745 524251

In South Lanarkshire, to report a safeguarding concern call social services on 0303 123 1008.

If a child or vulnerable adult approaches a Grow 73 employee, Trustee, Member, or volunteer with concerns we will reassure them that they have done the right thing. Involving the Safeguarding lead above, another Trustee or the Project Co-ordinator, we will:-

- Listen to their story carefully and respectfully.
- Advise them that only the people who need to know will be informed.
- Not try to solve the situation or confront anyone.
- Take all claims seriously and calmly.
- Write up what has been said, including the date and time, a description of the incident as described by the person, as well as any names and locations.
- Report the safeguarding concern to South Lanarkshire Council social work services immediately.

NB. Irrespective of the above, in an emergency we will dial 999.

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