



### Risk Assessment Document for Broadford Rovers Football Club

The risk assessment document considers the potential harm to come to children whilst they are members of Broadford Rovers Football Club (BRFC). This risk assessment precedes the Child Safeguarding Statement (Section 11 (1b) of the Children First Act 2015) which is developed following the risk assessment process. In accordance with the requirements of Section 11 (1) of the Children First Act 2015 the risk is of abuse only.

Section 11(1) of the Children First Act 2015 states that where a person proposes to operate as a provider of a relevant service, he or she shall, within 3 months from the date he or she commences as such a provider –

- (a) Undertake an assessment of any potential for harm to a child while availing of the service (in this section referred to as a risk).

Potential risk of harm to children	Likelihood of harm happening L-M-H	Required Policy, Guidance and Procedure document	Responsibility	Further Action Required
<b>COACHING PRACTICES</b>				
Lack of coaching qualification	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Minimum coaching license</li><li>• BRFC recruitment policy</li><li>• Safeguarding 1</li></ul>	BRFC	Proof of qualification required from FAI. BRFC arrange attendance on courses
Supervision Issues	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Child Welfare Policy</li><li>• Sufficient coaches per team</li><li>• Event specific consent form</li></ul>	BRFC	



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Unauthorised photography & recording activities	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Social Media Policy</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>BRFC registration form obtaining consent</li> </ul>	BRFC	FAI Child Welfare Dept
Behavioural issues	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>Rules and Guidelines</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Lack of gender balance amongst volunteers	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>1 adult of each gender with each girls team</li> </ul>	BRFC	
No guidance for travelling and away trips	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>Event specific form</li> <li>Rules and Guidelines</li> </ul>	BRFC	Ensure adequate adult supervision
Lack of adherence with miscellaneous procedures in Safeguarding policy (i.e mobile, photography, transport)	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>FAI complaint procedure</li> <li>FAI social media policy</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>Child Welfare Manager</li> <li>BRFC Risk Assessment</li> <li>Designated Liaison Person</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members



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<b>COMPLAINTS &amp; DISCIPLINE</b>				
Lack of awareness of a complaints and discipline policy	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>FAI complaint procedure</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>Child Welfare Manager</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members
Difficulty in raising an issue by child and/or parent. Reason: covered above	M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>FAI complaint procedure</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>Child Welfare Manager</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members
Complaints not being dealt with seriously	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>Disciplinary Committee</li> <li>FAI complaint procedure</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	
<b>REPORTING PROCEDURES</b>				
Lack of knowledge of club and statutory reporting procedures	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>FAI complaint procedure</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members
No Child Welfare Officer appointed	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>BRFC Child Safeguarding Statement</li> </ul>	BRFC	
No Designated Liaison Person Appointed	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>BRFC Child Safeguarding Statement</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members



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Concerns of abuse or harm not reported	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BRFC Child Safeguarding statement</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>• Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members
Not clear who Young Person should talk to or report to	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing to managers and coaches of each team</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>• Ensure parents and children are briefed</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members
<b>FACILITIES</b>				
Unauthorised access to designated children's play and practice areas and changing rooms, showers, toilets etc	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>• Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Unauthorised exit from children's area	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Photography, filming or recording in prohibited areas	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAI Social Media Policy – Section 8</li> <li>• Consent form</li> <li>• Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Missing or found child on site	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>• Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Children sharing facilities with adults e.g. dressing rooms, showers, etc.	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>	BRFC	



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<b>BROADFORD ROVERS</b>				
Recruitment of inappropriate people	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BRFC Recruitment Policy</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>• Minimum coaching requirements</li> <li>• Garda Vetting and Safeguarding 1</li> <li>• Interview</li> <li>• Volunteer recruitment form</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Lack of clarity on roles	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BRFC Recruitment Policy</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Unqualified or untrained people in role	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BRFC Recruitment Policy</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>	BRFC	
<b>COMMUNICATIONS AND SOCIAL MEDIA</b>				
Lack of awareness of 'risk of harm' with members and visitors	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Safeguarding Statement – website</li> <li>• BRFC Recruitment Policy</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>• Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	
No communication of Child Safeguarding Statement or rules and guidelines to members of visitors	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Child Safeguarding Statement – website and dressing room</li> <li>• BRFC Risk Assessment</li> <li>• FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>	BRFC	



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Unauthorised photography and recording activities	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Social Media Policy – Section 8</li> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Inappropriate use of social media and communications by under 18's	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>FAI Social Media Policy – Section 6</li> <li>BRFC Rules and Guidelines</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members
Inappropriate use of social media and communications with under 18's	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Social Media Policy – Section 6</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	All	
<b>GENERAL RISK OF HARM</b>				
Harm not being recognised	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> </ul>	BRFC	
Harm caused by (a) Child to child (b) Coach to child (c) Volunteer to child (d) Member to child (e) Visitor to child	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> <li>Safeguarding 1</li> <li>Coach: Player supervision ratio as contained in FAI Child Welfare Policy</li> </ul>		BRFC Code of ethics briefed to each coach
General behavioural issues	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>FAI Child Welfare Policy – Section 11</li> </ul>	BRFC	Presentation to volunteers, players parents and members



### Explanation of terms used:

- **Potential risk of harm to children** – these are identified risks of harm to children whilst members of the club.
- **Likelihood of harm happening** – the likelihood of the risk occurring in the club.
- **Required Policy, Guidance and Procedure document** – indication of the policy required to alleviate risk.
- **Responsibility** – provider should indicate where the responsibility for all alleviating risk lies.
- **Further action** – indicates further action that might be necessary to alleviate any risk ongoing.

The Risk assessment document has been completed by Paul Oates, Honorary Secretary Broadford Rovers 12/04/2018.

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