



Safeguarding Vulnerable People Statement

London Wildlife Trust believes that all people should have the opportunity to participate in the conservation of London's natural places and wildlife and we take child protection and safeguarding very seriously. We strive to do everything possible to make sure that everyone has a safe and positive experience when they become involved in our work.

Through our education and community engagement projects we work with thousands of children, young people and vulnerable adults every year. Thousands more people connect with our work by attending public events and activities.

All our staff are aware of their duty in terms of child protection and safeguarding, and necessary training is given to staff who work on education and community projects.

We have rigorous systems in place for our staff recruitment and ensure that all the appropriate and necessary Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks are carried out every three years.

London Wildlife Trust takes very seriously all child protection and safeguarding concerns. We have a detailed Safeguarding Policy in place, which is regularly reviewed and updated in the light of experience and / or changes in guidance or regulation. This is included as part of the induction for all staff and is available for both staff and volunteers. All volunteers who support our public engagement work receive guidance.

London Wildlife Trust's Health & Safety Committee, which includes a member of the Board of Trustees, reviews all reported incidents and reports directly to the Board of Trustees.

If you have any questions, wish to raise a concern, or see the Safeguarding Policy, please contact: Leah McNally, London Wildlife Trust's Safeguarding Lead, and Director of Visitor Engagement. Email lmcnally@wildlondon.org.uk or phone 020 7261 0447.

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