LOWESTOFT TOWN FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED (Lowestoft Town FC & Lowestoft Town Football Academy)

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

This policy applies to the Board of Directors, paid staff, management, and volunteers. The purpose of this policy is to protect children and young people who attend the football club and academy.

This club believes that a child or young person should never experience abuse of any kind. The club has a responsibility to promote the welfare of children and young people and keep them safe.

We recognize that:

- The welfare of the child is paramount, as enshrined in the Children Act 1989
- All children regardless of age, gender, disability, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity have a right to equal protection from all types of abuse or harm.
- Working in partnership with children, young people, their parents, carers and other organisations is essential in promoting the young peoples welfare.

We will seek to keep children and young people safe by:

- Valuing them, listening to and respecting them
- Appointing a Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO) for children and young people and a director from the board for safeguarding.
- Providing effective management for all staff and volunteers.
- Using the procedures appropriately to manage any allegations against staff of volunteers.
- Ensuring we have a 'no secrets' policy
- Abiding by all the club's policies on Health & Safety and the Match Day Risk Assessment.

| Name of Designated Safety Officer (DSO): | |
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| Telephone Number: E mail: | |
| Name of Director for Safeguarding: | |
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