



CHILD SAFETY POLICY

INTRODUCTION

South Gippsland Landcare Network is committed to providing a child safe environment and being a Child Safe organisation in accordance with the Victorian Child Safe Standards

PURPOSE

The policy is designed to ensure that South Gippsland Landcare Network staff, members and volunteers will comply with Victorian Law by contacting the police in any instance that abuse toward Children is suspected or witnessed.

ACTIONS

The South Gippsland Landcare Network has zero tolerance of child abuse and will ensure all volunteers, staff and the Board are aware of our commitment to child safety.

Staff members are required to have a current 'Working with Children' check.

When writing Risk Assessments or Plans before events, the following statement should be added;

"This event is open to the general public, therefore parents are advised that their children remain their responsibility at all times".

This should be communicated to all attendees.

When working with schools, planning of activities should include a consideration with the teacher about what is needed to do to ensure this activity/event/session provides a child safe environment.

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