

Oxford Youth Choirs

Child Protection Policy Statement

Oxford Youth Choirs ('OYC') is an organisation which provides musical training to children and young people from the age of 4 to 18.

OYC regards child protection and good working practice as important. It has developed a Child Protection Policy with the aims of:

1. Providing members of the Choirs with appropriate safety and protection.
2. Providing guidance and training for all staff and helpers in relation to child protection issues.
3. Providing a procedure for the recruitment and selection of those working with members of the Choirs.
4. Providing a structure and procedure for reporting and dealing with child protection concerns.

OYC recognises that child protection is everyone's responsibility and that the welfare of the child or young person is paramount. This Policy is designed to provide a framework for adults to work with children and young people in an environment in which everyone feels secure and confident. OYC recognises the unique and individual worth of each child and young person and is committed to nurturing, safeguarding and protecting children and young people.

OYC's Child Protection Policy consists of this Statement, the Code of Good Practice and the Procedure Manual.

OYC will review its Child Protection Policy at regular intervals.