# Safeguarding in Bowls News.

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### **Commonwealth Games**

Many congratulations to the magnificent bowlers of the home nations. Good to see that the safeguarding message was strongly represented

on the Commonwealth Games big screen in Royal Leamington Spa.

*'Safeguarding* is everyone's business.'



## **Club Website - Safeguarding Self-Audit**

The BDA has created a short self-audit document to allow clubs to review their own website content regarding safeguarding. Asking a critical friend to complete this short exercise, will help a club to check and where necessary make improvements to the safeguarding information on their website.

Existing and particularly prospective new members will benefit from clear, easy to find safeguarding content on club websites. Contact the BDA or your NGB to obtain a copy.



## **Keeping Children Safe in Sport**

The NSPCC's Child Protection in Sport Unit (CPSU) has released an updated version of its free elearning course on keeping children safe in sport. The course is designed to help parents/carers understand their own safeguarding role and what to do when concerned. Training covers recognising signs, listening to children and speaking out. Take the course via this link: Keeping your child safe in sport



Child Protection in Sport Unit

### Focus on ... Economic

## Abuse

ECONOMIC ABUSE

Economic Abuse is a legally recognised form of Domestic Abuse and is defined in the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 as: 'Any behaviour that has a substantial adverse effect on (a victim's) ability to acquire money or other property, or obtain goods or services' Examples of economic abuse include:

- Using credit cards without permission
- Taking out credit cards or other financial commitments in a partner's name
- Gambling with assets relating to both parties
- One partner controlling what the other can spend or limiting how much money they have
- Denying the means to improve someone's economic status e.g. controlling access to employment, education and/or training
- Taking children's savings or pocket money
- Not being allowed access to a bank account or a debit card
- Refusing to contribute to household costs Help can be found here - What is economic abuse? - Surviving Economic Abuse

### **Awareness Days**

Safeguarding Adults Week 2022, coordinated by the Ann Craft Trust, begins on

Safeguarding **Adults Week** 2022

21 November on the theme of 'Responding to Contemporary Safeguarding Challenges' including elder abuse and self-neglect. See their website and consider how your club can raise awareness and/or support adults at risk

Safeguarding Adults Week 2022 - Ann Craft Trust

November also includes Anti-Bullying Week from 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November on the theme 'Reach Out'. https://antibullyingalliance.org.uk















