Asda Foundation – Safeguarding Guidance

At Asda Foundation we recognise the importance of safeguarding, and as a grant maker we believe that we have a unique opportunity to contribute to better safeguarding practices for the groups and local communities we support.

As part of our Safeguarding policy, we are committed to the principles below:

Safeguarding Principles

- We commit to take appropriate steps to safeguard everyone connected with our work and to act in response to concerns that compromise our culture of safety and that of those involved with the groups we support.
- We endeavour to ensure that everyone acting on behalf of Asda Foundation is suitable for the role and has the support and training they need to fulfil their responsibilities to keep people safe.
- We endeavour to take appropriate steps to ensure that the groups we fund have proportionate and appropriate safeguards in place and implemented.

Safeguarding Requirements

To ensure our safeguarding principles are met we require all applicant groups to have a live safeguarding plan in place and provide an up-to-date copy of their policy, at the point of application.

We also ask that all applicant groups provide details of their safeguarding lead as part of their application.

For any groups looking for additional support we recommend these guides to help you write a safeguarding policy:

- NSPCC Learning's guide to writing safeguarding policies and procedures
- Ann Craft Trust's guide to <u>writing a safeguarding adults policy and procedure</u> document
- Zurich's guidance on <u>what to include in your charity's safeguarding policies and procedures</u>

Applications will not be progressed for groups who are unable to provide a copy of their Safeguarding Policy and contact details of their safeguarding lead.

We would consider an application requesting a contribution towards safeguarding training from a small grassroots organisation however we are unable to accept applications from large well-established organisations for specific safeguarding training as we would expect them to already provision in place.