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## **CREATING A CHILD SAFE ORGANISATION FoMPC CHILD SAFE POLICY & CODE OF CONDUCT**

The Friends of Moonee Ponds Creek Inc supports the State Government's Child Safe Standards and has prepared this Code of Conduct in accordance with the "Guide for Creating a Child-safe Organisation 2016".

All Friends of Moonee Ponds Creek members and participants in our activities are responsible for promoting the safety and wellbeing of children and young persons under age 18 by:

- welcoming all children and their families and carers and being inclusive;
- respecting cultural, religious and political differences and acting in a culturally sensitive way;
- respecting physical abilities and children with special needs;
- taking all reasonable steps to ensure children are safe from abuse when participating in our activities; this includes being safe from inappropriate verbal, physical or other inappropriate behaviour or contact;
- working with children in an open and transparent way; other adults should be aware of the child or youth's involvement in the activity(ies);
- reporting and acting on breaches of this Code of Conduct, including expressions of concern, suspicion or disclosure of child abuse, to an officer bearer of the FoMPC;
- respecting the privacy of children and their families or carers and only disclosing information to people who have a need to know;
- should official reporting be required, this should be to Child Protection, North and West Metropolitan Division, tel 1300 664 977 (AH 13 1278), web [services.dhhs.vic.gov.au/child-protection](http://services.dhhs.vic.gov.au/child-protection) or to Victoria Police.