## Statement of Commitment on SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Endorsed by Council September 2024

We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of children and young people while enabling their participation as valued members of our community. We have zero tolerance to child abuse and harm.

Our people are obligated to prioritise the safety of the children they interact with in the performance of their role and to report conduct of concern. We recognise the importance of child safety in the provision of quality community services.

All children who attend services, programs, events, and community spaces (including online environments) that are delivered, owned, contracted, or managed by Council, have the right to feel safe, be safe, and be heard We recognise our legal and moral responsibilities in keeping children and young people safe and have robust policies and procedures in place to meet this commitment that are aligned with the National Principles for Child Safe Organisations.

We want children to thrive, be safe, happy, and empowered. We are dedicated to ensuring their views are listened to and respected, and they are given opportunities to contribute to how we plan and deliver our services that affect them.

We are committed to being a Child Safe Organisation.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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