**Code of Behaviour in Relation to Children**

* Meath County Council is committed to a child-centred approach to its work with children and young people in all services and activities.
* Meath County Council aims to create an environment in which children are listened to, given a sense of belonging, and kept safe; parents are supported and encouraged; and employees and volunteers who work with children and young people are supported and protected.
* All activities involving children are guided by what is best for children. Children’s activities are conducted in a safe, positive and encouraging atmosphere. Standards of excellence extend to personal conduct.
* It is the responsibility of staff to report any welfare issues to the Local Authority’s Designated Child Protection Liaison Officers. There are two designated officers in the library service.

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