

## Ballers Academy Welfare Officer (CWO) Introduction

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**Role Description**

I am honoured to serve as the Welfare Officer (CWO) for Ballers Academy, ensuring the safety and well-being of all our members, with a particular focus on children and vulnerable adults. My role is aligned with the guidelines and policies set forth by The Football Association for safeguarding within grassroots football.

**Responsibilities:**

As CWO, my responsibilities encompass the following areas:

- 1. Promoting Safeguarding:** I will actively promote and ensure the implementation of safeguarding policies and procedures within the club, fully adhering to The FA's Safeguarding Children - Policy and Procedures.
- 2. Awareness and Training:** I will work diligently to heighten awareness of safeguarding issues among club members and ensure that coaches, volunteers, and relevant personnel receive appropriate and up-to-date safeguarding training.
- 3. Reporting:** Any concerns or incidents pertaining to the welfare of our members will be reported promptly and handled appropriately, following well-established procedures.
- 4. Support:** I am committed to providing support and guidance to club committee members, coaches, and volunteers to empower them in fulfilling their safeguarding responsibilities effectively.
- 5. Liaison:** I will maintain open lines of communication and effective collaboration with external organizations, including local authorities and The FA, to address safeguarding concerns comprehensively.
- 6. Accessibility:** It is my priority to remain accessible to all club members, parents, and carers, offering a supportive platform for discussing any safeguarding issues or concerns they may have.
- 7. Confidentiality:** I regard the confidentiality of all information related to safeguarding matters as paramount. I pledge to handle such information with the utmost care, respecting the privacy and dignity of all individuals involved.

My unwavering commitment is to establish a secure and inclusive environment within Ballers Academy, where every member can revel in the joys of the beautiful game without any compromise to their well-being. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any safeguarding concerns or require assistance.

Charles (Charlie)  
Ballers Academy Club Welfare Officer