

MARIBYRNONG CITY COUNCIL

STATEMENT OF COMMITMENT TO CHILD SAFETY

Maribyrnong City Council is a child safe organisation committed to child safety and supporting the best interests of children in all its operations.

Council actively promotes the safety, participation and empowerment of all children, with zero tolerance to child abuse. Council acknowledges that every child has the right to feel and be safe.

As part of the 11 Child Safe Standards, and our commitment to child safety we will:

- Prevent the abuse of children and young people in our care, by identifying risks early and removing and reducing these risks
- Take all allegations and concerns about abuse very seriously and respond to them consistently, in line with our policies and procedures
- Comply with all legal requirements, including reporting suspicions of abuse to police and/or child protection.

We actively work to hear and empower all children, young people and their families, that are involved with our organisation, through regular consultation and participation processes.

We celebrate diversity across our organisation and want the equal participation and cultural, emotional and physical safety of all children and young people in Maribyrnong.

Maribyrnong City Council is responsible for the care and protection of young people who participate in our organisation and for reporting information about abuse, and we take this responsibility very seriously.

If you have a concern about the safety of any young people participating in our programs and services, please call us on 9091 4700 or email childsafety@maribyrnong.vic.gov.au.