

SVP provides educational and recreational activities and services to children under 18 years of age nationally through our network of Regions and local Conferences.

SVP is committed to safeguarding children by working under the guidance of our national safeguarding policies, procedures and national safeguarding statement. Our members, non-member volunteers and staff are committed to creating a safe environment for children and young people to grow and develop.

Each SVP Children's Activity or Service will conduct a specific written risk assessment and child safeguarding statement in line with Children First Act 2015, Protection for Persons Reporting Child Abuse Act 1998, NVB Act 2012 and 2016, Children First Guidance 2017 and Tusla Guidance on Developing a Child Safeguarding Statement.

Region: East

Conference: Trinity VDP

Location: Trinity College, Dublin 1

Relevant Person: Aoibheann Brady - president@trinityvdp.com 083 382 3550

Service description: Trinity VDP operates three youth activity clubs in three locations – Andrew Court Kids Club, Pearse Street Kids Club and the Trinity Youth Club. These clubs offer registered children and young people the opportunity to engage in outings and trips to local venues of interest and also from time to time to undertake indoor activities in Trinity College and SVP's Ozanam House Resource Centre, as well as a pantomime in O'Reilly Theatre in Belvedere College Dublin 1.

The written risk assessment indicates the areas of potential harm, the likelihood of harm occurring, and lists the required policy, guidance, process and practice required to alleviate the risks.

Risks are identified in the following categories:

Risk	Likelihood	Policy to Control Risk
Risk of Harm (as defined in the Children First Act 2015) of a child by a member of staff/volunteer/peer.	Low/Medium	- Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. - SVP Volunteer Policy. - Trinity VDP Volunteer Recruitment & Training Policy Trinity VDP Volunteer & Activity Leader Handbooks. - Trinity VDP Code of Conduct & Behaviour Management Policy. - Trinity VDP Critical Incident Policy - Trinity VDP Social Media & Phone Use Policy Trinity VDP Parent Handbook. - Trinity VDP Activity Risk Assessment Policy Trinity VDP Anti Bullying Policy

Risk of Harm (as defined in the Children First Act 2015) of a child by a visitor to the service.	Medium	• Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. • Trinity VDP Drop off and Collection Policy. • Trinity VDP Code of Conduct & Behaviour Management Policy. • Trinity VDP Critical Incident Policy.
Risk of Harm (as defined in the Children First Act 2015) of a child on outings by a member of staff/volunteer/stranger/peer.	Low/Medium	• Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. • Trinity VDP Registration & Application Policy. • Trinity VDP Critical Incident Policy. • Trinity VDP Activity Risk Assessment Policy. • Trinity VDP Drop off and Collection Policy. • Trinity VDP Volunteer & Activity Leader Handbooks. • Trinity VDP Code of Conduct & Behaviour Management Policy. • Trinity VDP Parent Handbook. • Trinity VDP Anti Bullying Policy.
Risk of Harm of bullying of a child by a member of staff/volunteer/peer.	Medium	• Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. • Trinity VDP Code of Conduct & Behaviour Management Policy. • Trinity VDP Parent Handbook. • Trinity VDP Anti Bullying Policy. • Trinity VDP Volunteer Agreements.
Risk of Harm (as defined in the Children First Act 2015) of a child from unauthorised photography.	Medium	• Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. • Trinity VDP Volunteer & Activity Leader Handbooks. • Trinity VDP Code of Conduct & Behaviour Management Policy. • Trinity VDP Social Media & Phone Use Policy. • Trinity VDP Parent Handbook. • Trinity VDP Anti Bullying Policy. • Trinity VDP Complaints and Feedback Policy.
Risk of Harm (as defined in the Children First Act 2015) of a child from online abuse through social media or internet access.	Low/Medium	• Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. • Trinity VDP Volunteer & Activity Leader Handbooks. • Trinity VDP Code of Conduct & Behaviour Management Policy. • Trinity VDP Social Media & Phone Use Policy. • Trinity VDP Parent Handbook. • Trinity VDP Anti Bullying Policy. • Trinity VDP Complaints and Feedback Policy.

Reporting Concerns	Low/Medium	• Safeguarding Policy SVP 2026. • Trinity VDP Volunteer Recruitment & Training Policy Trinity VDP Parent Handbook. • Trinity VDP Complaints and Feedback Policy DLP FAQ.
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In addition to this activity's risk assessment the following procedures are in place throughout SVP as part of our safeguarding policies and procedures:

- Procedures for managing allegations of abuse or misconduct by volunteers or employees against a child availing of our services.
- Procedures for the safe recruitment of volunteers or employees to work with children in our services.
- Procedures to access child safeguarding training, including the identification and reporting of harm.
- Procedures for reporting child protection and welfare concerns to Statutory Authorities.
- Procedure for maintaining a list of persons in the relevant services who are mandated persons.
- Procedures for appointing a relevant person for the purposes of the Statement.

SVP and Trinity VDP Youth Clubs recognise that implementation is an ongoing process, and we are committed to the implementation of this Child Safeguarding Statement and the procedures that support our intention to keep children safe from harm.

The Relevant Person for this Child Safeguarding Statement is: **Aoibheann Brady**

This Child Safeguarding Statement will be reviewed on: **September 2027**