**Safeguarding Policy**

We recognise that the welfare of children and vulnerable persons is of the utmost importance and that we have a duty of care when they are attending a club event. Herefordshire Woodturners will do everything it can to provide a safe and caring environment and will:

* Treat all children and vulnerable persons with respect and celebrate their achievements
* Respond promptly to any concerns or allegations e Ensure that no one engages in training a child or vulnerable person unless a responsible adult is present
* Adopt the AWGB’s ‘Members Guidelines’

If any club member has concerns about the welfare of any child or vulnerable person they are expected to share them with the designated child protection officer who is responsible for:

* Monitoring and recording concerns
* Ensuring any necessary actions are taken
* Making referrals to social services where appropriate
* Liaison with other agencies

Herefordshire Woodturners Child Protection Officer is Mandy Harrold.

This Policy is part of our long term objective to ensure that everyone can participate in Woodturning and will be brought to the attention of all those attending )

28th November 2019