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To all Hampshire Golf Club Managers and Junior Organisers

IMPORTANT MATTER



Dear Colleagues,

Re. Club Welfare Officer Requirements

I am writing to you and your affiliated Golf Club on behalf of England Golf, Hampshire Golf & Hampshire Ladies County Golf Association.

This letter is sent to let you know about the current requirements and to offer England Golf sponsored training for your organisation in respect of Club Welfare Officers.

The response we are seeking from you at this point is twofold:

1. To submit details of your Club Welfare Officer to David Wheeler, County Secretary, and
2. To arrange for your Club Welfare Officer to attend one of the **'Time to Listen'** sessions detailed below in Appendix 1.

Clubs need to ensure attendance in order that their Club Welfare Officer has up to date knowledge about their role in relation to Child Safeguarding. We shall need to receive your response as soon as possible and by Monday 1st February 2016 at the latest.

Bookings are to be made through David Wheeler at the County Office.

As part of your affiliation to England Golf, Hampshire Golf and Hampshire Ladies Golf Association, there is an expectation that you will have a policy in place for safeguarding children. Within this policy there is a requirement to have a trained Club Welfare Officer.

England Golf has provided guidance in terms of the role of the Club Welfare Officer which is included as Appendix 2 in this letter. There is extensive additional information around Children in Golf available through the England Golf website:

<http://www.childreningolf.org/home>

To assist you and your Club Welfare Officers, England Golf has been working with the Child Protection in Sport Unit to develop specific training for Club Welfare Officers in Golf.

This is the '**Time to Listen**' Training for Club Welfare Officers.

Along with Devon and Cornwall, Hampshire will be at the forefront of having this training available.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

David Wheeler
County Secretary
Hampshire Golf