

GUY'S TRUST CHILD PROTECTION POLICY

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Guy's Trust funds the building of schools and libraries in Nepal and Cambodia but we do not work directly with children or other vulnerable people. Furthermore the work of the charity is managed entirely by the chair and the trustees and we have no employees or other volunteers.

Our visits to projects are always undertaken together with our partner organisations, all of who have Child Protection Policies in place. Furthermore Guy's Trust trustees planning project visits where they may briefly be in direct contact are required to have a basic DBS check.

Nevertheless we take the safety and wellbeing of the children who benefit from the projects that we fund very seriously and we recognise that all children have a right to survival, development, protection and participation as stated in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child. We also recognise that children living in poverty are at greater risk of abuse and exploitation and we strive to ensure these rights are upheld.

This is a key governance priority and we have ensured that the organisations who have implemented or are currently implementing our projects (ActionAid Nepal, ActionAid Cambodia, ChoraChori UK, the Cairn Trust and the Child and Women Empowerment Society Nepal), have satisfactory safeguarding policies, procedures and measures to protect our beneficiaries and clear lines of responsibility and accountability, including informing Guy's Trust of any serious incident.

While it is obviously not possible for us to directly monitor the implementation of these safeguarding policies, we will never knowingly engage, directly or indirectly, anyone who poses an unacceptable risk to children, nor fund any individual or organisation that does not meet accepted child protection compliance standards in their operations and activities. Guy's Trust believes that any form of child abuse and exploitation is unacceptable and will not be tolerated under any circumstances.