

Child Protection Principles

The AAA (The Athenaeum Astronomy Association) is fully committed to protecting children (under 18s).

Whenever there is contact between the AAA and children, the Association recognises that a child's welfare is paramount in all circumstances.

In fulfilling our obligations in respect to Child Protection, the AAA adopts the [Federation of Astronomical Societies Guidelines on Child Protection](#).

AAA will make this policy statement and the Federation of Astronomical Societies Child Protection Guidelines available to all members.

Responsibilities

Within the AAA the responsibility for ensuring compliance with the Federation of Astronomical Societies Child Protection Guidelines lies with Mark Proctor (Lead for Child Protection).

The secondary, or back up person responsible for Child Protection within the AAA is the Chair, Mike Kirkham.

Contact Details

Mark Proctor is available on 07961 392 699 or communications@3a.org.uk.

In the event of the unavailability of the primary responsible person for Child Protection in the AAA, please contact the AAA Chair, Mike Kirkham on 07880 790 205 or chair@3a.org.uk.

If you're worried that a child is at risk of harm, abuse or neglect call Suffolk County Council on **0808 800 4005** to discuss or report your concern.

Alternatively, you can contact the Police on 101, or 999 if you believe a child to be at risk of imminent harm.