

COMPLAINTS HANDLING POLICY TT-03

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Background

This policy is intended to assist Little Things for Tiny Tots ('the charity') to handle complaints fairly, efficiently and effectively. This policy provides guidance to our staff and people who wish to make a complaint on the key principles and concepts of the charity's complaint handling management process.

Context

Charities should provide a safe and effective service to those who wish to make a complaint to the charity or about any aspect of the charity's operations.

Complaints provide an important opportunity for the charity to learn and to improve its engagement with the people and communities that it serves.

Definitions

A complaint is an expression of dissatisfaction about the charity's services, decisions, actions or the actions of volunteers or staff that represent the charity.

Relevant Legislation	Not applicable	
Related Policies/Other Key Documents	Complaints Register Complaints Handling Procedure	

Scope

This policy applies to the charity's Management Committee, operational team members, volunteers, contractors, employees and all those who represent, or engage with the charity.

Policy

The charity is committed to seeking and receiving feedback about its services, systems, practices, procedures and products.

It is the charity's policy that people making complaints will be:



- acknowledged and their complaint will be dealt within a reasonable timeframe;
- treated with integrity and in an equitable and unbiased manner;
- given the opportunity to make a complaint anonymously; and
- where it is practical, provided with a response that outlines how the charity has acted on the feedback and, as relevant, reasons for the charity's decision/s and any avenues for redress or review.

In support of operational staff and volunteers, the charity will take proactive and decisive action to manage any conduct that negatively and unreasonably affects the work that is being undertaken.

Related Procedures

In the event that the charity receives a complaint, the complaint will be recorded in the Complaints Register, assessed and responded to.

Where appropriate, the complainant will also be referred to and/or provided with a copy of the charity's Complaints Handling Policy which is available on the charity's website.