

» child safe commitment statement

Ballina Shire Council is committed to being a child safe organisation



» Our Commitment Statement

Ballina Shire Council is a child safe organisation that supports and promotes the safety, wellbeing and empowerment of children and young people.

Everyone in our community has a role to play in keeping children and young people safe.

Council has a responsibility to ensure our activities and services are carried out in a manner that provides appropriate child safe environments for children and young people. We will educate our staff, raise awareness in our community and consult with children and young people on matters relating to them.

Council has zero tolerance of abuse towards children and young people and supports measures that reduce opportunities for harm as outlined in the Child Safe Standards.

» This statement applies to...

Our Child Safe Statement of Commitment applies to all Council staff and representatives including:

- council employees (full-time, part-time, casual, temporary and fixed term)
- labour hire employees
- councillors (elected members)
- contractors
- sub-contractors
- volunteers
- work experience participants and
- student placements.

» What you can report

Any parent or carer, child, community member, Ballina Shire Council employee, volunteer or councillor can report any child safety concerns, including:

- disclosure of abuse or harm
- allegation, suspicion or observation
- breach of the child safe code of conduct
- general safety or environmental concerns

call 000 if a child is in immediate danger

How to report any child safety concerns...

Parents, carers, children and community members can make a verbal report face-to-face, by letter, email, telephone call or meeting to any Ballina Shire Council employee.

Call 000 (triple zero) if a child is in immediate danger.



contact us by:

email council@ballina.nsw.gov.au

web ballina.nsw.gov.au

phone 1300 864 444

face-to-face at:

Customer Service Centre

40 Cherry Street

Ballina NSW 2478

write to:

Ballina Shire Council

PO Box 450

Ballina NSW 2478

