

PROCEDURE WHEN ABUSE CHARGES ARE REPORTED

If any member or non-member can provide information verifying that a volunteer or member of paid staff have had formal charges filed against them for child abuse, a member of the ART or the Executive committee of the council should be notified immediately. Within 24 hours after notification of the charges the Executive committee of council should meet and with the advice of the ART shall determine whether to suspend (with pay and without prejudice) the accused pending the results of the investigation and (if necessary) trial.

