

RECRUIT A YOUNG PERSON'S **WELFARE** AMBASSADOR



Young Person's Welfare Ambassadors, or YPWAs, are young people aged 14–24 who play an important role in promoting safeguarding within their venues. The 12-month programme supports YPWAs to:

- Raise awareness of safeguarding and welfare issues amongst members and players
- Gather feedback and become a voice for young people
- Provide an important link between venue committees and children and young people

BENEFITS TO YOU AND YOUR VENUE

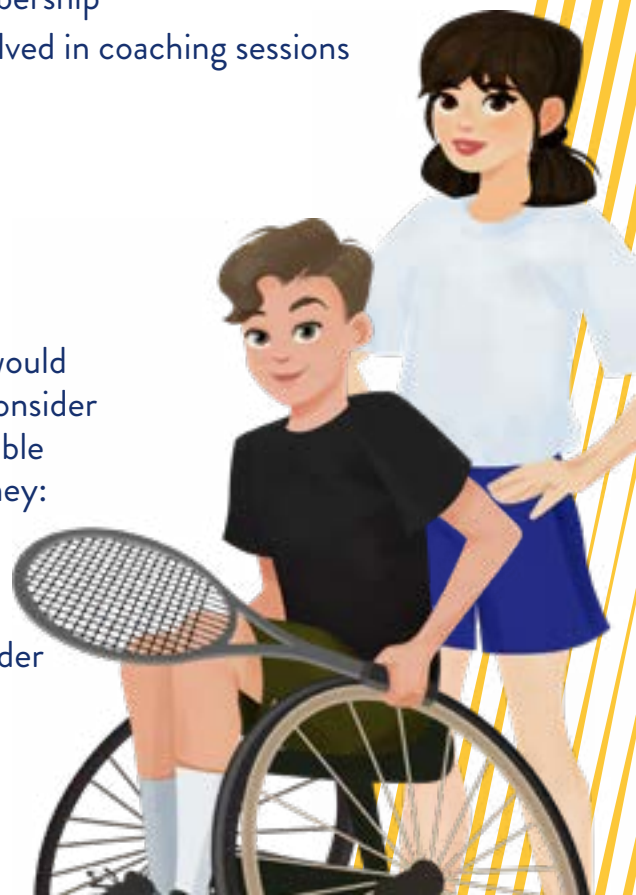
- Support the venue in meeting the safeguarding standards required for LTA venue registration
- Develop better relationships with your junior members
- Happier children means more retention, helping to future proof your venue
- Be recognised as leading the way in safeguarding helping attract a higher membership interest from other children, young people and families
- Promotion of your venue and potential increase in membership
- Support children and young people who are already involved in coaching sessions or as Tennis Leaders
- Access to further training opportunities

HOW TO RECRUIT

You may already have someone who springs to mind who would love to take part in this opportunity, or you may want to consider an application process within your venue to identify a suitable young person. When identifying someone please ensure they:

- Are aged between 14–24 years
- Understand the role and expectations
- Have consent from their parent or carer if aged 17 or under

If aged 16 or over, they will require a volunteer DBS check gained through the LTA.



EXAMPLES OF WORK COMPLETED

NEW NOTICEBOARDS, SOCIAL MEDIA & WEBSITE MESSAGING

NEW JUNIOR COMMITTEE SUPPORTING THE VENUE

VENUE FUNDAY, SAFEGUARDING QUIZ AND MASCOTS

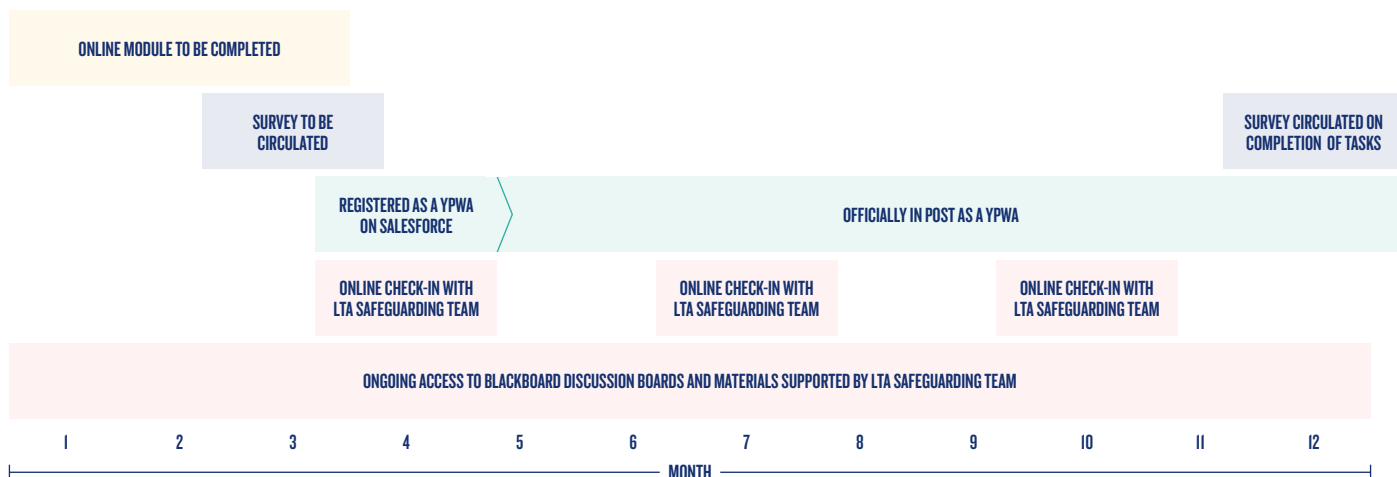
WHAT IT ENTAILS

- Regularly support and engage with the YPWAs
- Share the LTA Safeguarding survey with your members and venue users
- Complete some short online training
- Receive ongoing support from the LTA Safeguarding team
- Network with other YPWA venues
- Receive a t-shirt to promote the Welfare Officer role



The programme helped us better engage with our members, especially our juniors and has been very successful.

Mike, Welfare Officer



HOW TO APPLY



When you have identified your YPWA, please complete our online application form available [here](#) or by scanning the QR code.

There is a cost of £20 to the venue upon successful application. If this cost may be an issue to your venue, please do not hesitate to contact us via ypwa@lta.org.uk and we can explore further with you.