From HQ March membership email

**Reporting safeguarding concerns and external contacts.**If a member’s concerned about the welfare or safeguarding of a young person, or if there’s a concern, complaint or allegation about any adult, this must be reported to your Group Scout Leader or Commissioner immediately. This relates to concerns both inside and outside of Scouts.

Remember to always report to the Safeguarding team, so they can provide support and lead on engagement. We know some statutory agencies, like the police or children’s services, can contact the local Scout volunteer directly. If this happens, whether the contact relates to a matter about you, an adult or young person or is a request for a witness statement/character reference, current or non-recent – it must be reported to the Safeguarding Team.

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