



## WEST PYMBLE NETBALL CLUB

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WPNC believes the videoing and live streaming of club netball matches does not protect the privacy of both our and the oppositions players.

Our reasoning is as follows:

### Live streaming

There are currently no rules around live streaming simply because it has only recently become an option borne out of COVID-19 socialisation restrictions. This means the boundaries and ramifications of live streaming have not been considered. The issues WPNC believe are associated with live streaming are as follows:

- Live streaming is effectively broadcasting. There are no controls over the person who is filming is streaming the game to. It is most likely the parents of their team, but intentionally or unintentionally it could be viewed and accessed by unknown people
- The avenues for live streaming are platforms like Zoom, Teams, Facebook etc
  - If Facebook is not set to a private setting, then any friend of the person viewing it can also have access
  - It can be shared with other unknown persons
  - KNA and WPNC does not have information about court orders in place to protect children and it would be disastrous if footage of a protected child should land in the wrong hands
  - Predatory pedophiles exist and footage of young girls playing netball is the kind of footage they seek

### General issues

- Regardless of whether a video or live streaming is taking place, it is an accepted etiquette that parents of the players, or players themselves, are sought for approval
  - Given potentially only one or two parents of players are available, permission can not be sought; parents are therefore not being given the opportunity to protect their child
  - The absence of a child's parent should not mean another parent can take advantage; the footage is presumably for adults (parents) and not to the benefit of the players
  - A parent, family member or guardian can take photos or video their child: this does not mean they can do the same of other people's children. It is impossible to film a netball game without capturing footage of other players
- Currently the department of education is educating students not to put any pictures on Facebook and other social media platforms where they have not got permission from their friends or people in the photos
  - With this in mind, it goes completely against the education that students are being taught for a parent to then share whole games on a live streaming platform. This is undermining the education students are receiving and sets highly dangerous role modelling for young and impressionable children
- Bullying: having games captured and distributed opens players to bullying by other players and sadly parents as well. Players should be able to play netball in a safe environment and



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not have to worry about other players (or parents) making negative comments about them when reviewing filmed footage of them playing netball

- While netball is an association and does not come under the 13 Privacy Principles as it applies to businesses only, there is a community expectation these will be respected and adhered to

Please refrain from any videoing or live streaming of club netball games and be aware if this is occurring during a game you are managing.

Kind regards

WPNC Committee and COVID-19 team