## Livilands Tennis Club Policy on Unsupervised Children

## **Formal Coaching:**

All coaches at Livilands are approved by the LTA. They therefore must have completed Safeguarding Training and be members of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups Scheme (PVG).

Coaches will ensure the safety of the children during the session.

Parents/carers are responsible for the ensuring the safe arrival to and departure from the coaching session.

## Children under 16 using Livilands Tennis Club unsupervised:

Livilands Tennis Club wishes to promote safe and enjoyable sport by all.

It is the responsibility of parents/carers to ensure the safety of children using Livilands by putting in place appropriate supervision and arrangements for arrival and departure. Advice from Tennis Scotland is that children under 13 should always have adult supervision which would be the responsibility of parents and carers to arrange.

We recommend that children under the age of 13 are supervised by their parents/carer whilst at Livilands unless they are attending a formal session, such as coaching lessons or tennis camps.

Children under 13 should never be left unsupervised by a parent/carer even if there are other adult venue members or staff present. If the parent/carer is unable to supervise their child, arrangements need to be made by the parent/carer to designate an alternative adult to supervise. Livilands Tennis Club and child must be aware of any such arrangements.

## Arriving and leaving a venue alone.

Children under 13 should not be allowed to arrive at or leave Livilands Tennis Club without written consent from the parent/carer.