



Safeguarding Policy Statement

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At **Little Elms** we work with children, parents, external agencies and the community to ensure the welfare and safety of children and to give them the very best start in life. Children have the right to be treated with respect, be helped to thrive and to be safe from any abuse in whatever form.

We support the children within our care, protect them from maltreatment and have robust procedures in place to prevent the impairment of children's health and development. In our setting we strive to protect children from the risk of radicalisation and we promote acceptance and tolerance of other beliefs and cultures.

Safeguarding is a much wider subject than the elements covered within this single policy, therefore this document should be used in conjunction with the nursery's other policies and procedures listed in the Associated Documents.

What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding is the action that is taken to promote the welfare of children and protect them from harm.

What does Safeguarding mean?

- Protecting children from abuse and maltreatment
- Preventing harm to children's health or development
- Ensuring children grow up with the provision of safe and effective care
- Taking action to enable all children and young people to have the best outcomes.
- Child protection is part of the safeguarding process. It focuses on protecting individual children identified as suffering or likely to suffer significant harm. This includes child protection procedures which detail how to respond to concerns about a child.

Safeguarding at Little Elms

Little Elms has robust policies and procedures in place which aim to keep children safe, to protect them from harm and to ensure they have the best start in life. Our policies have all been developed with effective safeguarding practice in mind and have been written to ensure compliance with current legislative requirements.

As Safeguarding is extremely broad and covers a large range of important considerations, this policy statement has been developed to compliment our policies and procedures detailed below, and other policies which can all be found on the Little Elms Employee Hub www.littleelmsemployeehub.co.uk :

Associated Documents:

- *Managing Allegations Against an Adult Policy*
- *Child Protection Policy*
- *Accident, Pre-Existing Injury and First Aid Policy*
- *Promoting Positive Behaviour Policy*
- *Information Sharing Policy*
- *Outing and Local Walks Policy*



- *Headcount Policy*
- *Medication Policy*
- *Safer Recruitment Policy*
- *Sick Child Policy*
- *Sleep Policy*
- *Staffing Arrangements Policy*
- *Health and Safety Policies*
- *Visitors and Security Policy*
- *SEND Policy*
- *Food, Mealtimes and Dietary Needs Policy*
- *Online Safety Policy*
- *Looked After Children Policy*
- *Mobile Phones and Electronic Device Policy*