

Safeguarding useful information

Effective safeguarding arrangements in every local area should be underpinned by two key principles:

- Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility: for services to be effective each professional and organisation should play their full part; and
- A child centred approach: for services to be effective they should be based on a clear understanding of the needs and views of children.

These key messages are taken from 'Working Together to Safeguard Children' March 13 version - see full document for details below.

Safeguarding at a glance — some key points

Playschemes on Ofsted's Early Years Register/Childcare Register must meet the EYFS Safeguarding & Welfare requirements and/or requirements of the Childcare Register, these include:

- Policies/Procedures
- Suitable people/qualifications
- Child protection
- Safety of environment
- Record keeping

All playschemes should have regard to the following guidances, which includes information on staff allegations, whistleblowing, safer recruitment, e-safety, early help with concerns:

- 'Working together to safeguard children'
- LSCB [Guidance for safer working practices for adults who work with children and young people](#)

'First Response'

Leicestershire's new single access point to contact for concerns and early intervention (formerly central duty and CAF teams) at any time of the day - call 0116 3050005

Important changes to DBS

(Disclosure and Barring Service Checks — formerly CRB — see separate handout), including

- Availability of new DBS Update Service for individuals to join, allowing reuse when moving to similar job

- DBS certificate sent to job candidate, employer asks to see, records number, can check DBS Update Service if candidate has joined.
- Costs - Free of charge to eligible volunteers (but admin charge approx £16), Enhanced check approx £44 plus admin costs, Update Service £13 per year
- From 1st February a completed DBS check must be held before applying for new Ofsted registration

Safeguarding Training

Ensure all staff have up to date safeguarding training – [Training Opportunities booklet](#)

Other useful resources -

- [NSPCC Safeguarding Tool](#)
- Child Exploitation On line Protection (CEOP) [Thinkuknow](#)
- UK Government's [Prevent Duty](#)

Websites and organisations linked to safeguarding which will help you fulfil your duty to safeguard children and young people.

- Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB) - Leicestershire and Rutland www.lrlscb.org
- [Working Together To Safeguard Children](#) – statutory guidance
- [NSPCC](#)
- The Safe Network - www.safenetwork.org.uk
- [Information Commissioner's Office \(ICO\)](#)
- Anti bullying - www.beyondbullying.com
- CEOP - www.thinkuknow.co.uk
- [LCC training opportunities](#)
- [Out of school website](#)
- Ofsted www.ofsted.gov.uk - [Requirements for the childcare register can be found under Annex C of the Early Years and Childcare Registration Handbook](#)
- [DBS - how to obtain for employers](#)
- [EYFS statutory framework](#)

Important contact numbers

First response/ emergency duty team - 0116 3050005

Local authority Designated officer - (LADO) 0116 3057597

Local Police - 0116 222 101