



## Safeguarding Statement

For

**The Beckmead Trust**

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| Name of Policy      | Safeguarding Policy Statement |
| Policy Level        | Trust                         |
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## Introduction:

The Trustees, Governors and Staff of Beckmead Trust fully recognise the responsibilities and duty placed upon them to have arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of all pupils at all the schools in the Trust, considering at all times what is in the best interests of the child. We recognise that all staff, including volunteers, have a full and active part to play in protecting pupils from harm.

We believe that our schools should provide a caring, positive, safe and stimulating environment in which pupils can learn and the environment promotes the social, physical and emotional wellbeing of each individual pupil. The welfare of the child is paramount. All children, regardless of age, disability, gender, racial heritage, religious belief, sexual orientation or identity, have the right to equal protection from all types of harm or abuse. This policy applies to all children and young people.

Working in partnership with children, young people, their parents and carers and other agencies is essential in promoting young people's welfare.

The schools recognise their responsibilities and duties to report Child Protection concerns to local Children's Services and to assist them in Child Protection enquiries and in supporting Children in Need.

The Lead Trustee for Safeguarding in The Beckmead Trust is Linda Wright who can be contacted at [lwright@beckmeadtrust.org](mailto:lwright@beckmeadtrust.org).

## Aims:

The Beckmead Trust aims to ensure that:

- Appropriate action is taken in a timely manner to safeguard and promote children's welfare
- All staff are aware of their statutory responsibilities with respect to safeguarding
- Staff are properly trained in recognizing, reporting and following up safeguarding issues

## Policies and procedures for each school in the Beckmead Trust:

Each school in the Beckmead Trust has a local, comprehensive Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy which details the local contacts, procedures and processes which keep our children safe in our schools. These policies are based on current national and local

guidance and contain detailed guidance for each school based on the needs of the local population and safeguarding trends in that particular area.

The Beckmead Trust uses the My Concern package to record and implement immediate and effective following up of causes for concern about pupils. The Head teacher of each school acts as the designated safeguarding lead for that site. Safeguarding actions are monitored by a Trust audit on a yearly basis and this is carried out by a member of the Executive Team. Safeguarding data is relayed to Trustees on a termly basis through the performance report.

Each local safeguarding policy can be found in the policies section for each school website and will include the following information, which may be presented in different ways according to local guidance:

Key contacts

#### CORE OPERATIONAL AND POLICIES

- Introduction and Purpose of policy
- Roles and responsibilities
- Safeguarding children
- Child protection procedures
- Children with SEN
- Safer recruitment
- Staff practice and conduct
- Health and safety/risk assessment

#### ADDITIONAL SAFEGUARDING POLICIES

- Non collection of children
- Missing from education and home educated
- Peer on peer abuse
- Harmful sexual behaviour
- Prevention of radicalisation
- Mandatory reporting of FGM
- Online safety
- Sexting
- Looked after children and care leavers
- Safeguarding vulnerable groups
- Contextual safeguarding for young people
- Opportunities to teach safeguarding
- Children's wishes
- Other relevant policies

Child Protection Definitions and Indicators

Report to CPP conference  
Intimate Care Policy  
Prevent Policy  
Safeguarding Code of Conduct  
Schools central checks record  
School's safeguarding checklist

