

## Children's Services Operational

# LOCAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

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SERVICE DETAILS			
Name of the Service:		Hurworth House	
Name of Service Manager:	Claire Blackett		
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		@durham.pnn.police.uk	
		Ferrals to go to Darlington C.A.P -	
		accesspoint@darlington.gov.uk	
		errals to HQSpecialbranch@durham.pnn.police.uk	
	<u>Due Diligence and Counter Extremism Group helpline – 020</u>		
	7340762	<u>24</u>	
	Durham	Constabulary Prevent Team 0191 375 2234	
SAFEGUARDING PARTNERS DETAILS		<u> </u>	
Local authority that the service is located in:	Darlington		
Local Safeguarding Children Partnership: (or regional	Darlington Safeguarding Partnership, Town Hall, Darlington, DL1		
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Children Team:	Phone:	01325 405848 / 07931 396050	
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Designated contact at Police:	Name:	101 or 999 to be called as needed and authorised by	
	Phone:	Head Teacher or senior leader	
	Email:		
Out of Hours contact at our Local Authority:	Name:	Emergency Duty Team	
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INFORMATION THAT MUST BE AVAILABLE TO COLLEAGUES			
Where is the policy AOP06 Safeguarding Children	Aspris Intranet/ Policies and Forms/ Aspris/ Operational/		
in Education, AOP06B Safeguarding Children in	Operation	nal Policies/ AOP06 or AOP06A or AOP06B	

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Education – Wales and AOP06A Safeguarding Children in Residential Care located:	Aspris Intranet/ Policies and Forms/ Aspris/ Operational/ Operational Policies/ AOP06 or AOP06A or AOP06B	
	Saved in depts – Policies – Live 2023-24 – Safeguarding	
	Displayed in staff areas	
Where is the Local Area Safeguarding	Available in network drives and displayed in staff areas	
Information located? (Procedures, Handbook etc.)		

### **ACTION TO TAKE IF AN ALLEGATION OF ABUSE IS MADE TO YOU:**

You should ensure the immediate safety of all individuals.

You should notify:

(List the people that colleagues should notify, and who to notify if the Safeguarding Lead, or Service Manager are not available)

Claire Blackett – Head Teacher

Richard Juillerat - Assistant Headteacher

Samantha Golden - Safeguarding deputy DSL

Lucy Harrison - Deputy Head Teacher

For full information and guidance in relation to safeguarding of children in Hurworth House School please refer to the schools comprehensive Safeguarding Children Policy. The information noted in this local procedure is an aide memoire with reference specifically to our local authorities procedures.

Hurworth House School works specifically with children and young people with SEND. In line with Keeping Children Safe in Education 2023, it is recognised that children with special educational needs and disabilities face additional safeguarding challenges.

These can include:

- assumptions that indicators of possible abuse such as behaviour, mood and injury relate to the child's disability without further exploration;
- being more prone to peer group isolation than other children;
- the potential for children with SEN and disabilities being disproportionally impacted by behaviours such as bullying, without outwardly showing any signs; and
- communication barriers and difficulties in overcoming these barriers.

Staff should be aware evidence shows girls, children with SEND and LGBT children are at greater risk of sexual violence and harassment in schools and be aware of the indicators and act immediately. Staff are trained to understand the unique issues of this group as part of induction and safeguarding training.

SEND children can also face additional risks in relation to online activities, for example, from online bullying, grooming and radicalisation.

KCSIE 2023 update has been cascaded to staff – key updates include filtering and monitoring processes, clarification around absent from education being a safeguarding concern, responding to allegations made towards individuals or organisations using school premises and additional information on online pre recruitment checks for shortlisted candidates.

Should a child or young person make an allegation of abuse to you which does not relate to staff you should:

- (a) Listen carefully to what the person has to say, but do not ask leading questions about the alleged abuse
- (b) Ensure that everyone is safe and that the emergency services have been called if needed
- (c) Advise the person of the procedures which will follow
- (d) If you want to take notes, tell the person first, and keep your original notes (even if they are subsequently 'written up' in the person's notes) to give to the DSL for safekeeping as they will be required if a case goes to court
- (e) Record the following information as soon as possible afterwards in black ink (if handwritten), signed and dated by the person alleging the abuse where possible:
  - i. All details of the alleged abuse, including location

All allegations need to be referred to the Designated Officer (DO) (formerly known as Local Authority Designated Officer - LADO) within 24 hours where it is alleged that a person working with children has:

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- behaved in a way that has harmed or may have harmed a child
- possibly committed a criminal offence against or related to a child
- behaved towards a children in a way that indicated s/he is unsuitable to work with children.

It is essential that any allegation of abuse made against a person who works with children, including those who work in a voluntary capacity, are dealt with fairly, quickly and consistently, in a way which provides effective protection for the child and at the same time supports the person who is the subject of the allegation.

All referrals should reported and discussed with the DO within 24 hours and followed up on the Managing Allegations referral form. The form MUST be completed and sent to the DO as soon as possible following the incident occurring and should be forwarded to the secure e-mail address DSP@darlington.gov.uk. If you are not sure whether a particular matter warrants a referral, make contact with the DO on the telephone numbers below within 24 hours and they will be able to advise you on the correct action to take.

The procedures have been developed as a response to Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018 which set out the statutory guidance and the responsibility placed on all employers and other organisations who provide services to children to take steps when allegations of abuse or other inappropriate behaviour towards a child are made against someone in that organisation.

The aim of the procedures are to:

Ensure that allegations are dealt with quickly and in a fair manner Prevent unsuitable people from working with children and young people

- Promote safe practice and challenge poor/ unsafe practice Contribute to effective partnership working
- Improve practice through sharing experience and lessons learned

You should complete an electronic Incident Report (Electronic Reporting System)

(If you have any other paperwork appropriate to your service regarding incident reporting, actions or any other information, list them here)

All safeguarding concerns are to be entered on Engage MIS system by the staff member who took the initial disclosure.

All electronic communications are to be stored in secure restricted area of network.

All handwritten notes are kept and stored securely

You should follow the Procedures for referral that have been agreed with the local Safeguarding Children Team which can be found here:

(insert the procedure or flowchart here, include any different processes for CSE if applicable)

<u>Darlington Safeguarding Board - Multi-Agency Safeguarding Child Protection Procedures (darlington-safeguarding-partnership.co.uk)</u>

Follow the criteria and paperwork for referral as approved by your local Safeguarding Children Team. This can be accessed:

(insert instructions for referral here, if no locally approved forms, use AOP: Form 17)

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If you are unable to contact the (D)SL for your service, you should contact your Regional Lead, or: The Executive Lead

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