

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

The Trust Board and Local Governing Bodies of Esher Learning Trust (ELT) are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Our academies are a safe place for children, where our responsibilities for safeguarding children are taken seriously.

ELT fully adopts Keeping Children Safe in Education 2018 (KCSIE) and takes seriously its responsibility under section 175/157 of the Education Act 2002 to safeguard and promote the welfare of children; and to work together with other agencies to ensure there are robust arrangements within our school to identify, assess, and support those children who are suffering harm or at risk of suffering harm.

The Trust's Senior Designated Officer for Safeguarding is Mike Boddington, Executive Headteacher. Should you wish to contact him directly with any concerns, please email head@esherhigh.surrey.sch.uk.

The Trustee with responsibility for Safeguarding is Mrs Helen Coulson, Chair of Trustees, who can be contacted by email at chair@esherlearningtrust.co.uk.

The individual schools' local governing bodies must be aware of and adhere to the DfE guidance contained in:

- Surrey Safeguarding Children Board protocols, guidance and procedures
- Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018
- Keeping Children Safe in Education 2018 (KCSIE)
- Disqualification under the Childcare Act 2006 (updated 2018)
- the principles established by the Children Acts 1989 and 2004; the Education Act 2002
- Framework for the Assessment of Children in Need and their Families' 2000
- FGM Act 2003 Mandatory Reporting Guidance 2016
- 'What to do if you are worried a child is being abused' 2015
- Teacher Standards 2011
- Information Sharing Advice for Practitioners' guidance 2018
- SCC Children Missing Education
- SCC Touch and the use of physical intervention when working with children and young people
- Surrey Safeguarding Children Board (SSCB) Procedures.

This statement of intent, together with a review of practice, will be monitored by the Trust's Local Governing Bodies, who are responsible for safeguarding within their schools. A report from each Local Governing Body, with associated actions where applicable, will be submitted to the Trustees on an annual basis, or earlier where material risk is identified.

This statement will be reviewed by the Trustees every three years, or when there is a change of legislation.

Signed: *Helen M. Coulson*
Chair of Trustees

Signed: *Mike Boddington*
Executive Headteacher

Date: *22nd May 2019.*

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