

# Safeguarding Statement for Children at Clarendon School and Children's Centre

Clarendon School and Children's Centre is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

This means that we have a Child Protection Policy and procedures in place which we refer to in our prospectus. All staff (including supply staff, volunteers and governors) must ensure that they are aware of these procedures. Parents and carers are welcome to read the policy on request.

Sometimes we may need to share information and work in partnership with other agencies when there are concerns about a child's welfare. We will ensure that our concerns about our children are discussed with his/her parents/carers first unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's welfare.

Our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSL's) (*formerly called CPLO- Child Protection Liaison Officers*) and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads (DDSL's) are:

William Neale-Headteacher (DSL)  
Louise Stondzik-Deputy Headteacher (DDSL)  
Sue Burgess- Children's Centre Manager (DSL)  
Diane Ludlow- Deputy Children's Centre Manager (DDSL)

If you are concerned about a child's welfare, please record your concern, and any observations or conversation heard, and report to one of the DSL's or DDSL's as soon as possible the same day. Do NOT conduct your own investigation.

If your concerns relate to the actions or behaviour of a member of staff (which could suggest that they are unsuitable to work with children) then you should report this to one of the DSL's or DDSL's, who will refer the matter to the Headteacher (or the Chair of Governors if the concern relates to the Headteacher). They will then consider what action to take.

*Name of Headteacher: William Neale*  
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