

ST JOHN'S SUNSHINE PRE-SCHOOL

PREVENT DUTY AND BRITISH VALUES

All staff and committee who are part of Sunshine have a legal obligation to follow 'Prevent Duty'. This sets out the need for 'British Values' to help ensure that everyone is kept safe and free from harm, it also ensures that everyone is welcomed in to the local community.

At St. John's Sunshine Pre School, we will ensure that everyone is made to feel welcomed within the Pre School. We will ensure this occurs by doing the following defined British Values;

- Democracy
 - The rule of law
 - Individual liberty and mutual respect
 - Tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. These values are universal aspirations for equality.
 - Supporting the children within our care to become more compassionate and considerate therefore giving them direction for the future, making them adults who form part of a fair and equal society.
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- The designated safeguarding lead at Sunshine is required to familiarise themselves with LSP procedures, as well as online guidance including:
 - Channel Duty guidance: Protecting people vulnerable to being drawn into terrorism www.gov.uk/government/publications/channel-and-prevent-multi-agency-panel-pmap-guidance
 - Prevent Strategy (HMG 2011) www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-strategy-2011
 - The prevent duty: for schools and childcare providers www.gov.uk/government/publications/protecting-children-from-radicalisation-the-prevent-duty
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- The designated safeguarding lead at Sunshine should follow LSP guidance in relation to how to respond to concerns regarding extremism and ensure that staff know how to identify and raise any concerns in relation to this with them.
 - The designated safeguarding lead at Sunshine must know how to refer concerns about risks of extremism/radicalisation to their LSP safeguarding team or the Channel panel, as appropriate.
 - The designated safeguarding lead should also ensure that they and all other staff at Sunshine working with children and young people understand how to recognise that someone may be at risk of violent extremism.
 - The designated safeguarding lead also ensures that all staff at Sunshine are aware of their responsibilities with regard to equality and inclusion and children's rights.
 - The designated safeguarding lead should understand the perceived terrorism risks in relation to the area that they deliver services in.

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The staff at St. John's Sunshine Pre School will also ensure they observe the following;

- Staff will be alert to harmful behaviours by influential adults in a child's life. This may include discriminatory and/or extremist discussions between parents, family and/or staff members.
- St. John's Sunshine Pre School's Safeguarding Policy and procedure will be put into action if any behaviour or concern is witnessed.
- Staff will identify children who may be vulnerable to radicalisation, and know what to do when they are identified. They assess the risk of children being drawn into terrorism and work in partnership with local partners such as the police, prevent coordinators, CAP, Ofsted and their Local Safeguarding Children's Board (LSCB)
- Staff will attend Prevent training to ensure they understand their responsibilities.

Parental consent for radicalisation referrals

LSP procedures are followed at Sunshine in relation to whether parental consent is necessary prior to making a referral about a concern that a child or adult may be at risk of being drawn into terrorism. It is good practice to seek the consent of the person, or for very young children, the consent of their parent/carer prior to making a referral, but it is not a requirement to seek consent before referring a concern regarding possible involvement in extremism or terrorism if it may put a child at risk, or if an offence may have been or may be committed. Advice should be sought from line managers and local agencies responsible for safeguarding, as to whether consent should be sought on a case-by-case basis. Designated safeguarding lead at [name of setting] is mindful that discussion regarding potential referral due to concerns may be upsetting for the subject of the referral and their family. Initial advice regarding whether an incident meets a threshold for referral can be sought from the relevant local agency without specific details such as names of the family being given in certain circumstances.

Consent is required prior to any individual engaging with a Channel intervention. Consent is usually sought by Channel partners, but LSP procedures should be followed regarding this.

If there is a concern that a person is already involved in terrorist activity this must be reported to the Anti-Terrorist Hot Line 0800 789 321-Text/phone 0800 0324 539. Police can be contacted on 101.

Concerns about children affected by gang activity/serious youth violence

Educators at Sunshine are aware that children can be put at risk by gang activity, both through participation in and as victims of gang violence. Whilst young children will be very unlikely to become involved in gang activity they may potentially be put at risk by the involvement of others in their household in gangs, such as an adult sibling or a parent/carer. The designated safeguarding lead at Sunshine is familiar with the LSP guidance and procedures in relation to safeguarding children affected by gang activity and ensures this is followed where relevant.

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Forced marriage/Honour based violence

Educators at Sunshine are aware that forced marriage is a marriage in which one or both spouses do not consent to the marriage but are forced into it and will act accordingly as detailed below. Duress can include physical, psychological, financial, sexual and emotional pressure. In the cases of some vulnerable adults who lack the capacity to consent coercion is not required for a marriage to be forced. A forced marriage is distinct from an arranged marriage. An arranged marriage may have family involvement in arranging the marriages, but crucially the choice of whether to accept the arrangement remains with the prospective spouses.

Forced marriage became criminalised in 2014. There are also civil powers for example a Forced Marriage Protection Order to protect both children and adults at risk of forced marriage and offers protection for those who have already been forced into marriage.

Risks in relation to forced marriage are high and it is important that educators ensure that anyone at risk of forced marriage is not put in further danger.

If someone is believed to be at risk it is helpful to get as much practical information as possible, bearing in mind the need for absolute discretion, information that can be helpful will include things like, names, addresses, passport numbers, national insurance numbers, details of travel arrangements, dates and location of any proposed wedding, names and dates of birth of prospective spouses, details of where and with whom they may be staying etc. Forced marriage can be linked to honour-based violence, which includes assault, imprisonment and murder. Honour based violence can be used to punish an individual for undermining what the family or community believes to be the correct code of behaviour.

In an emergency police should be contacted on 999.

Forced Marriage Unit can be contacted either by professionals or by potential victims seeking advice in relation to their concerns. The contact details are below.

- Telephone: +44 (0) 20 7008 0151
- Email: fmufco.gov.uk
- Email for outreach work: fmuo Outreach@fco.gov.uk