

Safeguarding Statement for Brighter Futures Learning Partnership Trust

Brighter Futures Learning Partnership Trust (BFLPT) is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people within its family of schools. It expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

We provide an inclusive, positive and caring environment in which our children and young people can develop their academic, social and emotional potential.

Every adult is expected to play their part in safeguarding our children and young people. Each school supports this through their offer of safeguarding and child protection awareness training. All staff in all our schools know the procedures that should be followed should they have any concerns about a student. All staff know where to go should they require some information, help and guidance.

The Trust supports each school in the following ways:

- The Trust fully adopts the most up to date Keeping Children Safe in Education guidance and has developed a Trust Safeguarding Policy which is reviewed at least annually. Each school/UTC adopts the policy and incorporates their own safeguarding details, identifying clearly roles and responsibilities within their own context.
- As a Trust we undertake safeguarding reviews and audits on a regular basis by an independent body that scrutinises our policy and procedures.
- The Trust is led by a Chief Executive who has ultimate responsibility for excellence in safeguarding.
- The Trust has also appointed a Trust Safeguarding Lead who is Safeguarding Level 4 and NSPCC Train the Trainer qualified, with a specific responsibility for quality assurance in schools and specific advice to schools in the Trust.
- The Trust HR Team regularly undertake regular reviews of each school's/UTC's Single Central Record and employment checks.
- The Trust has a Trustee with special responsibility for safeguarding (Ms H Wain)
- Each school has a governor on its Local Governing Board with special responsibility for safeguarding.

Reporting Concerns

If you are concerned about the welfare of a student/pupil at any of our schools/UTC please contact the relevant Designated Safeguarding Officer in each school. Details can be found in the Trust Policy and on each school website. If you have any concerns about the Headteacher or governors in one of our schools, please contact Mrs H Redford-Hernandez, the CEO of the Trust.

Trustees are accountable for all legal obligations regarding safeguarding across the Trust. Oversight is delegated by the Board of Trustees, to the Chair of the Trust and to Ms H Wain who is the Trustee with responsibility for safeguarding. Any issues related to safeguarding children will be discussed with this board as required.

