



The PREVENT Duty

Fizzy Fish has regard to the Prevent Duty 2015. This duty works alongside other safeguarding policy and procedures as is required by Working Together To Safeguard Children (DfE 2015).

The Safeguarding Designated Lead Practitioners have oversight of the Prevent Duty at our setting.

Our Safeguarding Designated Lead Practitioners are **Lou Adams and Sian Knight**. They oversee both the Nursery and the Pre-School together with the Deputy Managers.

From 1 July 2015 all schools, registered early years childcare providers and registered later years childcare providers are subject to a duty under section 26 of the Counter Terrorism and Security Act 2015 in the exercise of their functions to have 'due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism.

Fizzy Fish complies with the requirements of the Prevent Duty Guidance and its aim to protect children from radicalisation, extremism and being drawn into terrorism. All staff are required to undertake the 'Anti-Terrorism, Channel' course:

<http://course.ncalt.com/GeneralAwareness/01/index.html>.

We are aware of the Government PREVENT strategy, which aims to protect children from terrorism and radicalisation.

Definitions

Terrorism - the Terrorism Act 2000 defines terrorism as: "The use or threat of action designed to influence the government or an international governmental organisation or to intimidate the public, or a section of the public; made for the purposes of advancing a political, religious, racial or ideological cause; and it involves or causes: serious violence against a person; serious damage to a property; a threat to a person's life; a serious risk to the health and safety of the public; or serious interference with or disruption to an electronic system."

Radicalisation refers to the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and forms of extremism leading to terrorism.

We understand that the PREVENT strategy will require early years providers to identify any children who are considered to be at risk of being involved in terrorism or radicalised and refer them to the Local Authority.

British values (see our British Values Policy) - alongside the PREVENT strategy, the Government has stated that all early years providers must teach children about and actively promote fundamental British values.

The Government have stated that early education funding will be withdrawn from any providers who do not comply with this requirement and Ofsted will judge how effectively British values are taught during inspections.

Fundamental British values include democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs and must be taught in age-appropriate ways.

We have read The Prevent Duty Department for Education advice for schools and childcare providers and the Government Prevent Duty Guidance.

In the guidance there are four general themes: Risk Assessment, Working In Partnership, Staff Training and IT policies.



Risk Assessments

We are expected to assess the risk of children being drawn into terrorism.

Working in partnership

We are expected to work with the Local authority, the Local Safeguarding Children's Board for the purpose of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in our area. In addition we should work with parents and families as they are in the key position to identify signs of radicalisation. Our policy and practice meets the requirements and recommendations of the Brighton & Hove Local Safeguarding Children's Board - <http://www.brightonandhovelscb.org.uk>.

Staff training

Staff should attend Prevent awareness training.

We will support our staff to feel confident to recognise signs of people at risk of being recruited by terrorist or extremist groups through accessing advice via the Local Safeguarding Children's Board.

National NDNA advice suggest that staff are alert to:

- ☐ Changes in family behaviour
- ☐ Changes in the children's behaviour e.g. aggression towards others
- ☐ Comments made by a child which may cause concern i.e. commenting on what their mummy or daddy has said, talking about fighting for 'the cause' etc.
- ☐ Comments made by family members i.e. about certain faiths, beliefs cultures etc.
- ☐ Any other signs that family members may be showing extremism.

If staff have concerns for the welfare of a child they should speak to one of the Safeguarding Officers, who will contact FFDF for advice.

Contact details:

Landline: 01273 294000

Email: MASH@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk

If staff would like to discuss concerns about a child or a family they should contact Nahida Shaikh, Prevent Co-ordinator, Partnership Community Safety Team.

Contact details:

Landline: 01273 290584

Mobile number: 07717303292

Email: Nahida.Shaikh@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk



The dedicated community support officer Thomas Morvantoone may also be contacted.

Contact details:

Landline - non-emergency police number: 101 extension 550543

Email: thomas.morvantoone@sussexpnn.police.uk

From 2020, concerns about Prevent should be noted on the attached National Prevent referral form and emailed to the police via the address on the form.

IT Policies

Internet safety will be maintained at all times, alongside our Acceptable Use Policy (which includes reference to Social Media) and our Electronic Devices Policy.

References:

The Prevent Duty: departmental advice for schools and childcare providers -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protecting-children-from-radicalisation-the-prevent-duty>.

Brighton and Hove LSCB - <http://www.brightonandhovelscb.org.uk/>

Referral email for Brighton and Hove PreventReferralsbrightonandhove@sussex.pnn.police.uk

Working Together To Safeguard Children (DfE March 2015) -

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/419595/Working_Together_to_Safeguard_Children.pdf.