

SAFEGUARDING SCHEME OF DELEGATION

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Rebecca Joined the trust in December 2024 to lead on safeguarding across the schools and support them with their safeguarding practices and procedures.

ANGELA AGER – CHAIR OF THE BOARD

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Angela is the Safeguarding Lead for the Board of Trustees. Angela meets regularly with the head of safeguarding and keeps the board up to date with statutory safeguarding and child protection guidance, including anything issued locally by your school's safeguarding partners.

LOCAL GOVERNING COMMITTEE (LGC)

The LGC at each school appoint a link governor for Safeguarding. Separate from the designated safeguarding lead (DSL) – this is to make sure there's sufficient challenge to your school's safeguarding arrangements and performance. The LGC should make sure the curriculum covers safeguarding, including online safety

DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEADS (DSL)

Each school has a nominated child protection lead who is the point of contact for anyone in an organisation who is concerned about a child. The role is also responsible for leading on: – safeguarding policies and procedures – training and development – receiving concerns about a child – reporting, storing and retaining child protection records following the organisation's policies and procedures.

DEPUTY DSL

The Deputy DSL supports the DSL in their role.

LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN (LAC)

Each school has appointed a designated teacher to promote the educational achievement of looked after children.