



Operation Encompass

Operation Encompass Safeguarding Statement

Our preschool settings are part of Operation Encompass.
Operation Encompass is a national police and education early intervention safeguarding partnership, which supports children who experience Domestic Abuse.

Operation Encompass is in place in every police force in England and Wales, the Isle of Man, Jersey, Guernsey, Scotland, Northern Ireland and Gibraltar.

Children were recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right in the 2021 Domestic Abuse Act. <https://www.operationencompass.org>

There is a legislative requirement for police forces to share information with educational settings through Operation Encompass.

Through Operation Encompass, the police will share information with our preschools about ALL police attended domestic abuse incidents which involve any of our children, who are related to either of the adults involved in the incident.

This sharing of information will occur PRIOR to the start of the next preschool day.

The notification will inform us about the context of the incident and will include the Voice of the Child.

We have 2 Designated Safeguarding leads (DSL) at each setting;

Alburgh; Karen Edwards & Jayne Rayner

Harleston; Allie Moss & Jayne Rayner

Who have completed the National Online Operation Encompass Key Adult training and they have cascaded the principles of Operation Encompass to all other staff. All staff are encouraged undertake the online training.

Our parents are fully aware that we are an Operation Encompass preschool nursery setting and we ensure that when a new child joins our preschool the parents/carers are informed about Operation Encompass via the preschool's website.

We also display the Operation Encompass posters in our entrance to the preschool.

The Operation Encompass notifications that we receive, are stored in line with all other confidential safeguarding and child protection information. Each setting has a separate laptop, solely for the use of Operation Encompass notifications and this laptop can only be accessed by the Key Adult.

The Key Adults have led training for all staff and Governors about Operation Encompass, the prevalence of Domestic Abuse and the impact of this abuse on children.

As an Early Years provider we have also discussed how we can support our children who are experiencing Domestic Abuse on a day-to-day basis and particularly following the Operation Encompass notification.



We have used the Operation Encompass Handbooks to inform our thinking and we are aware that we must do nothing that puts the child/ren or the non-abusing adult at risk.

The Manager (Key Adult) will report on Operation Encompass in the termly report to Trustees with information as required. All information is anonymised for these reports.

When Key Adults leave the preschool setting and new staff are appointed into the role, we will ensure that all Operation Encompass log in details are shared with the new Managers and Key Adults. In order that the new member of staff will undertake the Operation Encompass online training and step into the Operation Encompass Key Adult role, facilitating smooth transitions.

Key Adults responsible for Operation Encompass

Alburgh with Denton Preschool

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Karen Edwards karen@alburghwithdentonpreschoolnursery.co.uk

Deputy lead for safeguarding (DSL)

Jayne Rayner jayne@alburghwithdentonpreschoolnursery.co.uk

Harleston preschool Nursery

Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL)

Allie Moss allie@harlestonpreschoolnursery.co.uk

Deputy lead for safeguarding (DSL)

Jayne Rayner jayne@alburghwithdentonpreschoolnursery.co.uk and child protection

For further help or support about **Domestic Abuse** including **Coercive Control**, you can call the NSPCC Helpline on 0808 800 5000 for advice or further information.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/domestic-abuse-act-2021>

<https://womensaid.org.uk/information-support/what-is-domestic-abuse/coercive-control/>

<https://www.victimsupport.org.uk> Monday – Friday 0300 303 3706 9am-5.30pm
Out of hours 08 08 16 89 111