

# St Saviours Pre School Prevent Duty Policy

All early years organisations are required to comply with the Prevent Duty Guidance, which came into force in July 2015. The Prevent Duty requires providers to work alongside outside agencies and have due regard to prevent people being drawn into terrorism. Providers also need to ensure they promote British Values (see separate Promoting British Values policy). Staff have received training and development on how to recognise the signs and symptoms and how to support and promote British Values.

Radicalisation is defined as the act or process of making a person more radical or favouring of extreme or fundamental changes in political, economic or social conditions, institutions or habits of the mind.

Extremism is defined as the holding of extreme political or religious views.

There are a number of behaviours within families or in the child themselves which may indicate a child is at risk of being radicalised or exposed to extreme views. These include;

- Spending increasing time in the company of other suspected extremists.
- Changing their style of dress or personal appearance to accord with the group.
- Day-to-day behaviour becoming increasingly centred on an extremist ideology, group or cause.
- Loss of interest in other friends and activities not associated with the extremist ideology, group or cause.
- Possession of materials or symbols associated with an extremist cause.
- Attempts to recruit others to the group/cause.
- Communications with others that suggests identification with a group, cause or ideology.
- Using insulting to derogatory names for another group.
- Increase in prejudice-related incidents committed by that person – these may include;
  - physical or verbal assault
  - provocative behaviour
  - damage to property
  - derogatory name calling
  - possession of prejudice-related materials
  - prejudice related ridicule or name calling
  - inappropriate forms of address
  - refusal to co-operate
  - attempts to recruit to prejudice-related organisations
  - condoning or supporting violence towards others.

It is important be constantly vigilant and remain fully informed about the issues which affect the local area, city and society. Our Staff are reminded to suspend any 'professional disbelief' that instances of radicalisation 'could not happen here' and to be 'professionally

inquisitive' where concerns arise, following the appropriate procedures for recording and passing on information.

### **Staff training**

We ensure staff are

- fully aware of the threats, risks and vulnerabilities that are linked to radicalisation
- aware of the process of radicalisation and how this might be identified early
- are aware of how our setting can provide support to help families and children to be resilient and able to resist involvement in radical or extreme activities

### **Early Years Curriculum Policies**

- Our Curriculum is broad and balanced. It promotes respect, tolerance and diversity.
- Children are encouraged to share their views and recognise that they are entitled to have their own different beliefs which should not be used to influence others.
- Our PSED provision is embedded across the curriculum. It is recognised that children with low aspirations are more vulnerable to radicalisation and therefore we strive to equip children with confidence, self-belief, respect and tolerance as well as setting high standards and expectations for themselves.
- Children are taught to seek adult help if they are upset or concerned about anything they see on the internet at other times.

This policy was adopted by

St Saviours Pre School

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Signed on behalf of the provider

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