

## Safeguarding and Welfare Requirement: Suitable People

Providers must ensure that adults looking after children are suitable to fulfil the requirements of their roles.

## HOLY REDEEMER PRE-SCHOOL PRESCHOOL

## 1.2a Whistleblowing

The whistle blowing procedure must be followed in the first instance if:

- a criminal offence has been committed, is being committed or is likely to be committed
- a person has failed, is failing or is likely to fail to comply with any legal obligation to which he or she is subject. This includes non-compliance with policies and procedures, breaches of EYFS and/or registration requirements
- an injustice has occurred, is occurring or is likely to occur
- the health and safety of any individual has been, is being or is likely to be endangered
- the working environment has been, is being or is likely to be damaged
- that information tending to show any matter falling within any one of the preceding clauses has been, is being or is likely to be deliberately concealed

There are 3 stages to raising concerns as follows:

- If staff wish to raise or discuss any issues which might fall into the above categories, they should normally raise this issue with their manager/designated safeguarding lead.
- 2. Staff who are unable to raise the issue with their manager/designated safeguarding lead should raise the issue with their line manager's manager/designated officer.
- If staff are still concerned after the investigation, or the matter is so serious that they
  cannot discuss it with a line manager, they should raise the matter with the LADO
  (Local Authority Designated Officer) 020 3045 5543 or the LADO team 020 30453436.

If an issue cannot be resolved and the member of staff believes a child remains at risk because the setting or the local authority have not responded appropriately, the NSPCC have introduced a whistle-blowing helpline 0800 028 0285 for professionals who believe that:

- their own or another employer will cover up the concern
- they will be treated unfairly by their own employer for complaining
- if they have already told their own employer and they have not responded

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