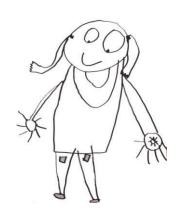
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Child Protection Policy



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Children and young people have the right to be protected and to be safe from harm by others. Most children in Scotland grow up in a safe place, but sadly some don't. These children need extra help from adults to keep them safe.

At Greenbank Pre School the Manager and Deputy Manager are normally available to consult with if you are concerned about a child. This is the first line of action to be taken. If neither Manager or Deputy Manager are available, you are then required to contact <u>Social Care Direct</u> if you are worried about a child or young person's safety or wellbeing. The Social Care Direct Children and Families Social Work contact number is **O131 200 2327**

If you are unable to contact Social Care Direct phone the Police on 999.

If the concern is not urgent you can also phone the police on 101.

When you report a child at risk Social Care Direct will take your call seriously. They find out more to help them decide what to do next. Their next step may be to

- take no further action
- offer the family support
- put the child and family in touch with another agency for support
- start to investigate if they think that the child is not safe.

The Scottish Government has published <u>an updated version of the National Guidance for Child Protection in Scotland.</u>

All staff and committee members will have a working knowledge of this policy.

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