**Buxton & Leek College – Safeguarding Policy Addendum, April 2022**

**Updates- Buxton & Leek College SAFEGUARDING AND CHILD PROTECTION POLICY UPDATE (TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH university of Derby Main POLICY)**

**Updated April 2022**

**Reporting Concerns**

Updated named staff who are responsible for Safeguarding at Buxton & leek College:

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| **Designated Safeguarding Lead** | **Deputy Safeguarding Lead** | **Safeguarding Co-ordinator**  | **Chair of Governing Council Skills Committee** |
| Len Tildsley Principal for Buxton and Leek College | Nadia Shalan-Operations Manager Learner Journey team  | Emma Kilbane Student Support OfficerPaula Goodwin Student MentorSarah Mahoney Student Mentor | John Yarham |

**Role & Responsibilities**

**Designated Safeguarding Lead**

This is the lead person with overall responsibility for safeguarding and child protection in our College. The DSL & Deputy are members of the College’s Senior leadership team and their roles as DSL is explicit in their job description.

**Safeguarding Governor**

As part of the University of Derby, the College is also represented on the University Safeguarding Committee, which is Chaired by the University Safeguarding Lead and Head of Student Services. The University Safeguarding Committee includes a Governor representative of the Governing Council Skills Committee. They are responsible for supporting the work of the Safeguarding Committee through the Governance structure, challenging members of the Skills Committee and the responsible managers to ensure that the University develops and maintains a culture of safeguarding in all of its operations.

**Safeguarding Co-ordinators**

Safeguarding Co-ordinators - We have safeguarding co-ordinators to ensure there is appropriate cover for this above role at all times across all campuses. The safeguarding co-ordinators, attend strategy discussions and inter-agency meetings and caseload vulnerable learners.

**Responding to Peer on Peer Sexual violence and Harassment**

In response to ‘Keeping Children Safe in education 2021’, the college has reviewed and updated the ‘Peer on Peer Abuse (including bullying, cyber bullying, sexting, sexual violence, ‘up-skirting’ and sexual harassment) guidance for FE, which provides a clear set of guidelines for staff regarding the actions they must take if they become aware that a learner is at risk of abuse from their peers.

The college has also updated the student’s version on peer-on-peer abuse, which gives a clear set of guidelines on how to report a concern and what support is available.

**Children and online safety away from the college**

Children and online safety away from College it is important that all staff who interact with children, including online, continue to look out for signs a child may be at risk.

Any such concerns should be dealt with as per Buxton & Leek College’s Child Protection Policy and where appropriate referrals should still be made to children’s social care and as required, the police.

Online teaching should follow the same principles as set out in College’s code of conduct. Buxton & Leek College will ensure that any use of online learning tools and systems is in line with privacy and data protection/GDPR requirements.

**Online Safety in College**

In response to ‘Keeping Children Safe in education’ the college has a responsibility to ensure that all learners are kept safe whilst online, against potentially harmful and inappropriate material. The college will ensure that learners have robust safeguarding measures are in place.

**Reporting Concerns**

All staff are required to use ‘My Concern’ reporting system to raise safeguarding concerns that come through. All staff must compete the mandatory training on including any relevant statutory documents, such as Keeping Children Safe in Education 2021 part 1.