

Surrey Heath Borough Council
Employment Committee
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Safeguarding Policy

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Key Decision:	no
Wards Affected:	n/a

Summary and purpose

This report provides the Employment Committee with details of amendments to the Safeguarding Policy that Surrey Heath Borough Council has adopted.

The revised Policy was considered by the Joint Staff Consultative Group at its meeting on 2 March 2023.

Recommendation

The Committee is advised to RESOLVE that the revised Safeguarding Policy and Procedure, as attached at Annex A to this report, be adopted.

1. Background and Supporting Information

- 1.1 The Safeguarding Policy intends to provide guidance that prevents and reduces the risk of harm to adults and children from abuse and/or other types of exploitation while supporting individuals to maintain control over their lives and enabling them to make informed decisions without coercion. The Policy has been reviewed and considered by the Joint Staff Consultative Group.

2. Reasons for Recommendation

- 2.1 To ensure that the Safeguarding Policy is up to date and reflects best practice.

3. Proposal and Alternative Options

- 3.1 It is proposed that the revised Safeguarding Policy is adopted, with or without any further amendments considered appropriate.

4. Contribution to the Council's Five Year Strategy

4.1 No matters arising.

5. Resource Implications

5.1 There are no additional resource implications arising from the adoption of the revised Policy.

Annexes

Annex A – Safeguarding Policy