**Operation Encompass Early Years Safeguarding Statement**

Our setting is part of Operation Encompass.

Operation Encompass is a national police and education early intervention safeguarding partnership which supports children and young people who experience Domestic Violence and Abuse, and which is in place in every police force in England and Wales.

Children were recognised as victims of domestic abuse in their own right in the 2021 Domestic Abuse Act.

Operation Encompass means that the police will share information with our setting about **all** police attended Domestic Abuse incidents which involve any of our children PRIOR to the start of the next school day.

Once a Key Adult (DSL) and their deputy/ies (DDSLs) have attended either an Operation Encompass briefing or completed the online Operation Encompass Key Adult training they will cascade the principles of Operation Encompass to all other staff. All staff can undertake the online training.

Our DSL undertook training on XXXXX (date including year)

Our DDSLs undertook training on XXXXX (date including year

 X (number) of staff have completed the training (dates including year).

Our parents are fully aware that we are an Operation Encompass setting, and we ensure that when a new child joins our setting the parents/carers are informed about Operation Encompass.

The Operation Encompass information is stored in line with all other confidential safeguarding and child protection information.

As a team we have discussed how we can support our children who are experiencing Domestic Violence and Abuse on a day-to-day basis and particularly following the Operation Encompass notification. We have used the Operation Encompass Handbooks to inform our thinking.

We are aware that we must do nothing that puts the child/ren or the non-abusing adult at risk.

We have used the Operation Encompass Key Adult Responsibilities checklist to ensure that all appropriate actions have been taken by the setting.

When DSL or DDSLs leave the setting and other staff are appointed, they will ensure that all information portal log in details are shared with the new Key Adults and that the new member of staff will undertake the Operation Encompass online training.