

SAFEGUARDING LINK GOVERNOR	
Purpose of role:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To challenge Governors and senior leaders in respect of College safeguarding (SG) policy and procedures • To ensure safeguarding (including PREVENT) is given the right level of priority at Corporation and committee meetings • To deliver against annual priorities for the link role set by Corporation (in the College Development Plan (CDP), SARAPs and risk assessment register) and to provide regular feedback to Governors • To act as an external contact in the event of any staff concerns regarding safeguarding that have not been resolved through internal processes and take appropriate action via escalation to the Principal and/or Chair of Governors.
Lead Officers:	<p>Head of HR Designated Safeguarding Lead (Assistant Principal, Director of Student Services)</p>
Key objectives:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 To ensure Governors fully consider the impact of any decisions made at Corporation and committee meetings on College safeguarding policy and arrangements including resources 2 To ensure delivery against the SG priorities set for the role annually in the CDP by Corporation 3 To gain an understanding of the College’s arrangements in respect of statutory safeguarding requirements (including completion of the Single Central Record, appointment of Designated Persons and training of staff and volunteers) in order to support Governors to understand the implications of safeguarding updates and challenge senior managers on the effectiveness of policies and processes 4 To gain an understanding of the College’s support for vulnerable learners (including systems for referring learners to external agencies) and support Governors in challenging senior managers on the robustness of learner welfare arrangement 5 To ensure the importance of safeguarding is adequately highlighted within Governor recruitment and induction and that all Governors receive appropriate training in relation to safeguarding
Key activities:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Attend regular meetings with the DSL and Head of HR 2 Take appropriate steps (such as seeking feedback from staff and students and viewing sample key documents) to ensure evidence of delivery is triangulated 3 Report regularly to Q&C Committee and at least annually to Corporation against the annual priorities set for the role. Alert Governors to any issues of concern in a timely way 4 Attend mandatory governor training on safeguarding and comment on its adequacy and effectiveness 5 Act as the governor to whom staff can make known any safeguarding concerns that have not been resolved by internal procedures and escalate appropriate issues to the Principal and/or Chair of Governors
Delegated powers / Reporting relationship:	<p>The Safeguarding Link Governor has no delegated authority. Feedback reporting and any recommendations will normally be presented to the Q&C Committee and Corporation for approval (recommendations may also be referred to other committees as appropriate).</p>