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THIS IS THE HEALTH AND SAFETY STATEMENT OF

Cawood C E Primary School

Our statement of intent is:

- Implement the requirements of NYCC's Corporate Health and Safety Policy;
- Implement the requirements of Children and Young People's Service (CYPS) Health and Safety Policy;
- to make adequate arrangements for the health, safety and welfare of staff and pupils;
- to provide adequate control of health and safety risks arising from our work activities;
- to consult with our employees on matters affecting their health and safety;
- co-operate with the LEA in matters related to health and safety;
- to provide and maintain safe plant and equipment;
- to ensure safe handling and use of substances;
- to provide information, instruction, and supervision for employees;
- to ensure all employees are competent to do their tasks, and to give them adequate training;
- to prevent accidents and cases of work-related ill health;
- to maintain safe and healthy working conditions; and
- to review and revise this policy as necessary at regular intervals

Signed: Nicholas B. Payling Headteacher

Signed: Mark Rounding Chair of Governors

Date: 21.11.22

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HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

RESPONSIBILITIES

Overall responsibility for health and NOTE safety within the school is that of:

The Headteacher: NYCC, and

the Health and safety governor. (Mark

Rounding)

Insert the name of the Headteacher and the Chair of Governors, (or the Governor with responsibility for health and safety).

Day to day responsibility for ensuring this policy is put into practice is delegated to:

LEAD OFFICER N. Payling
Assistant Head: L. Ramsdale

Assisted by:-SCHOOL H & S CO-ORDINATOR

J. Patterson and S. Edwards

To ensure health and safety standards are maintained/improved, the following people have responsibility in the following areas:

Name: NYCC representative.

Responsibility: (BMM) Business

Management - Premises and Grounds

Name: Nick Payling (Head) and Mark Rounding (Chair of Governors)

Responsibility: Overall operational day to

day management

Name: Judith Patterson Responsibility: Kitchen

Name Feoffee / Diocese

Responsibility: Maintenance and safety of

the building

Name: Class teachers

Responsibilities: Classroom teaching

Environment.

If the Headteacher is not always there, or does not have time to manage on a day-to-day basis, you can delegate this role to someone else, e.g. Deputy Headteacher, Head of Year, and Premises Officer etc. Ensure that the person with overall responsibility is kept informed of health and safety matters — it will still be their overall responsibility

Delegate functions to people within your organisation either by specific areas within the workplace or by topic. Include their specific responsibilities in their job descriptions (if they have one).

Ensure that they are competent to undertake their health and safety responsibilities and have adequate resources to enable them to do their job properly.

It is important that responsibilities are clearly set out – this will make sure that if there are any health and safety concerns they can be reported to the right person, so they can be dealt with.

You may wish to insert a diagram or chart showing your management structure/arrangements.

All employees have to:

- co-operate with supervisors and managers on health and safety matters;
- not interfere with anything provided to safeguard their health and safety;
- take reasonable care of their own health and safety; and
- report all health and safety concerns to an appropriate person (as detailed in this policy statement).

Employees have legal responsibilities to take care of the health and safety of themselves and others, and to co-operate with management to help comply with the law.

Equally, if employees have any concerns over health and safety issues, they should be clear about whom they should tell, so that concerns can be addressed.

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HEALTH AND SAFETY RISKS ARISING FROM OUR WORK ACTIVITIES

Risk assessments will be undertaken

Headteacher / H and S officer/ Office staff/employees/ H and S governor.

by:

The findings of the risk assessments will be reported to:

Headteacher / H and S officer/ NYCC

Action required to remove/control risks will be approved by:

Headteacher/H and S officer/NYCC

The person responsible for ensuring the action required is implemented is

The member of staff undertaking the activity. Headteacher/
NYCC Health and safety officer.

NOTE

You must assess risks to the health and safety of anyone who may be affected by your work activities, so that you can weigh up whether you have done enough or need to do more to comply with the law.

You will find some examples of key areas that you should consider, at the end of this guidance.

You will need to involve a number of different people including your safety representatives and employees, to do the risk assessments.

You will need to record the significant findings of your risk assessments in a separate document. Your policy statement only records your arrangements for ensuring the assessments are done, and are kept up to date.

Once you have done your risk assessments, you must take the necessary action to remove or reduce the risk as far as is reasonably practicable.

You can find more guidance in HSE's free leaflets for example:

- Five steps to risk assessment INDG163
- A guide to risk assessment requirements:

Checks that the implemented actions have removed/reduced the risks will be carried out by:

The member of staff undertaking the activity. Headteacher/
NYCC Health and safety officer.

Common provisions in health and safety law INDG218

HSE Books Tel: 01787 881165.

www.hsebooks.co.uk

www.hse.gov.uk

Assessments will be reviewed every:

Our **NYCC Safety Risk Adviser** will provide help and guidance on risk assessment.

Termly (NYCC H & S assessments) or when the work activity changes, whichever is soonest.

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CONSULTATION WITH EMPLOYEES

NOTE

Employee Representative(s) are:

You must consult your employees.

employees they represent.

NYCC- Health and safety officer

The diocese- Health and safety

The governing body – Health and safety

Teacher and Headteacher unions

If you do not have trade unions, you must consult employees, either directly or through an elected representative.

If you recognise a trade union and that trade

union has appointed a safety representative, you must consult them on matters affecting the

You may to use your works committee or another meeting as a forum for consultation.

Consultation with employees is provided by:

If you have a health and safety committee, you could list what it does, who is on it and how often it meets

M. Rounding, J. Rounding, J.Grey

Mark Rounding - H and S governor

Janet Rounding - H and S governor

Jackie Grey - H and S governor

SAFE PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Identifying equipment/plant, which will need maintenance is the responsibility of:

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body **Property services Cleaning services NYCC** caterers

NOTE

You will need to ensure that all plant and equipment (e.g. ladders, electrical equipment, machinery guarding) that requires maintenance (e.g. checks, servicing, thorough examinations) is identified and that the maintenance is done.

Ensuring effective procedures are drawn up is the the maintenance checks. responsibility of:

maintenance It may be worthwhile using a logbook to record

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body **Property services** Cleaning services **NYCC** caterers

The person responsible for ensuring that all identified maintenance is implemented is:

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body **Property services** Cleaning services **NYCC** caterers

plant/equipment **Problems** with should be reported to:

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body Headteacher - H and S officer **Property services** Cleaning services **NYCC** caterers

Checking plant and equipment health and safety standards before purchase is the responsibility of:

When buying new or second hand plant and equipment, you must check it meets health and safety standards before buying it.

You can find more guidance in HSE's website www.hse.gov.uk or HSE publication:

Buying new machinery INDG271 (free)

The purchaser
NYCC
H and S governor/ governing body
Headteacher – H and S officer
Property services
Cleaning services
NYCC caterers

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SAFE HANDLING AND USE OF SUBSTANCES

Identifying substances which need a COSHH assessment is the responsibility of:

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body Headteacher – H and S officer The site manager Property services Cleaning services NYCC caterers

NOTE

You must assess the risks from all substances hazardous to health. These are known as Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) assessments.

The person(s) responsible for undertaking COSHH assessments is/are:

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body Headteacher – H and S officer The site manager NYCC Grounds maintenance Property services Cleaning services NYCC caterers

Ensuring that all actions identified in the assessments are implemented is the responsibility of: You should do assessments on all substances you use (e.g. adhesives, paints, cleaning agents, solvents) and substances generated from work activities (e.g. dust, fume, vapour)

Your assessment should identify any health risks. If there is a risk, you should take steps to remove or control the risk.

You can find more guidance at www.hse.gov.uk or HSE publications:

- HSE's COSHH: A brief guide to the regulations INDG 136 (free);
- COSHH essentials: Easy steps to control

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body Headteacher – H and S officer The site manager NYCC Grounds maintenance Property services Cleaning services NYCC caterers

The person responsible for ensuring that relevant employees are informed about COSHH assessments is:

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body Headteacher – H and S officer The site manager NYCC Grounds maintenance Property services Cleaning services NYCC caterers

Checking that substances can be used safely before they are purchased is the responsibility of:

The purchaser

NYCC

H and S governor/ governing body
Headteacher – H and S officer
The site manager
NYCC Grounds maintenance
Property services
Cleaning services
NYCC caterers

Assessments will be reviewed every Termly (NYCC H & S assessments) At least annually.

or when the work activity changes, whichever is soonest.

chemicals HSG193 (priced)

 General COSHH Approved Code of Practice, Carcinogens ACOP and Biological Agents ACOP L5 (priced)

INFORMATION, INSTRUCTION AND SUPERVISION

The Health and Safety Law poster is displayed at:

The staff room

NOTE

The Health and Safety Information for Employees Regulations 1989 require employers to display a poster (or to provide leaflets) telling employees what they need to know about health and safety.

Health and safety advice is available from your NYCC Safety Risk Adviser:

Janet Morris – 07788 564 532 Janet.morris@northyorks.gov.uk You are required to have access to competent advice, either in house or, if not available, external.

Further support -

Wayne Thickett 07973 802034 Wayne.Thickett@northyorks.gov.uk

If you have young workers and/or take on trainees or students on work experience, you will need to ensure that they are properly instructed and supervised.

You must also do specific risk assessments for young people – you need to take account of their inexperience, lack of awareness of risks and immaturity.

Ensuring that our employees working at locations under the control of other employers, are given relevant health and safety information is the responsibility of:

If your employees go to work for another employer on your behalf e.g. on secondment you will need to check that they are given relevant health and safety information for that location by that employer/company.

Headteacher

COMPETENCY FOR TASKS AND TRAINING

Induction training will be provided NOTE for all employees by:

The school H and S officer (Nick Payling) Headteacher and/or the assistant headtecher.

All employees must be given health and safety induction training when they start work. This can be combined with other useful information (e.g. pay, leave and hours of work). It needs to cover basic health and safety such as first aid and fire safety.

Job specific training will be provided by:

NYCC (skills and job training)
Class teachers
Staff tutor
Contracted training agencies
H and services

Specific jobs requiring special training are:

Asbestos management Legionella Site manager

First aid – use of epi-pen

Fire awareness and fire warden training

Working at heights and safe ladder training Manuel handling/

Educational visits / SEND/ RPI / Safeguarding/

Training records are kept at/by:

The office staff / H and S officer In the H and S document file

Training will be identified, arranged and monitored by:

Headteacher, Sam Edwards the H and S committee and the H and S officer

Employees will need job-specific training, which includes the health and safety aspects of the job.

You also have to provide health and safety training for people when risks change, or periodically, e.g. if skills do not get used regularly.

Some jobs will require additional special training (e.g. manual handling, driving etc.)

You may wish to refer to your school development plan. It is important to keep records of training (even training you have provided in-house) to show that employees have received training.

You should monitor the training records, so that refresher training is given when necessary

NYCC Education Service has a commitment to provide health and safety training to Headteachers, Governors and Lead Officers etc. For further details of the courses available please contact:

• CPD Section- CAMAS Tel: 01609 532864

County Training Tel: 01609 532841

ACCIDENTS, INCIDENTS, FIRST AID AND WORK-RELATED ILL HEALTH

Health surveillance is required for NOTE employees doing the following jobs:

DSA for computer operators

Health surveillance will be arranged

Headteacher **NYCC** occupational Health

Health surveillance records will be kept by/at:

The admin Officer /Health and safety officer in the H and S document management file

The first aid box(es) are kept at:

The staffroom **Library corridor** EYFS - nursery class All classes

The appointed person(s)/first aider(s) is/are

Ann-MarieTaylor; Karen Jackson, Coryn C - pediatric first aid training All teaching and non-teaching staff have emergency first aid training

- Updated September 2022

All accidents and cases of work-Electronic files kept electronically on the main admin computer

The new electronic record keeping system is called Scholarpack

Employees must receive health surveillance for certain work (e.g. work with lead, chrome, isocyanates asbestos. noise. and chemicals). This will identify any health problems early on so that action can be taken before an employee's condition worsens.

Refer to NYCC Occupational Health Tel: 01609 785780

Your COSHH assessments should identify all areas and the type of health surveillance needed.

Your records should contain details of the employees, the health surveillance procedures, dates and conclusions. The health care professional doing the surveillance will hold the actual medical records. these as are confidential.

Providing immediate first aid can prevent minor injuries becoming major ones.

As a minimum you must have a first aid box and an appointed person to take charge of first aid requirements. You can find more information in HSE website on www.hse.gov.uk or

HSE's free leaflets:

- First aid at work your questions answered INDG214
- Basic advice on first aid at work INDG215

Recording accidents (even minor ones) means you can see whether you have a problem in a particular area

You must report accidents to:

NYCC Safety Risk Adviser Tel: 01609 532589. Follow the procedures outlined in your NYCC accidents, diseases and dangerous occurrences to the NYCC CYPS Health and Safety section is:

The person responsible for reporting CYPS Health and Safety Policy and Guidance Manual.

Headteacher

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MONITORING

To check our working conditions, and ensure our safe working practices are being followed, we will:

NOTE

You must be able to show that you are checking working conditions and systems of

are monitoring health and

oth actively and reactively,

ther appointed person can

ns, have reports submitted

ers, do spot check visits,

y reps have the right to

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ss absences that occur.

investigate

investigate any

/e inspections, etc.

r something goes wrong.

The H & S committee conduct an inspection every term All sickness absence followed by a return to work interview PE equipment tested annually Emergency lighting tested annually by a contractor Electrical (PAT) testing annually Fixed electrical testing

Fire alarms tested every week **Emergency lighting monthly**

Ensure contractors complete Authorisation to Work Forms

Site rules given to all visitors in school

Monitoring of water temperature for legionella - Primary Club

Monitoring of asbestos in school Constant vigilance by all staff and pupils Investigation of any accidents

Logging of near misses and information shared as necessary

Health and Safety agenda item on staff meeting agenda for any issues raised

Scrutiny of accident records School Hands Service Inspection Extraction fans maintenance JACOBS Premises inspection Prioritised programme of risk assessment

Boiler room annual inspection

Gulleys and Gutters checked and cleaned

Pest control North Yorkshire condition of building inspection

The person responsible for investigating accidents is:

The headteacher / H and S officer / H and S governor / Chair of governors

The person responsible for investigating work-related causes of sickness absences is:

The headteacher / H and S officer / H and S governor / Chair of governors **NYCC Occupational health**

Investigating accidents is a useful way of reviewing your safety systems - ask yourself why the accident really happened and what you can do to stop it happening again.

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Similarly, if you have a number of employees absent because of similar ailments, this might mean there is a problem with their jobs causing ill health.

The person responsible for acting on investigation findings to prevent a recurrence is:

The headteacher /Assistant
Headteacher /
H and S governor / Chair of governors
NYCC Occupational health

When you find out what went wrong – put it right.

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ASBESTOS RISK MANAGEMENT

The Responsible Officer for asbestos Responsible Officer - All schools must have a management is:

Responsible Officer to oversee the

Headteacher

The Asbestos Risk Management file is kept in:

The Headteacher's office

Site plans showing the location of asbestos containing materials (ACM's) are kept in:

The Headteacher's office

Ensuring that contractors are made aware of the location of ACM's and that they sign the relevant permit to work is the responsibility of:

The Headteacher / The H and S officer /The school admin officers

Asbestos risk assessments will be undertaken by:

NYCC / The Diocese / The Headteacher / H and S officer

Visual inspections of the condition of ACM's will be undertaken by:

NYCC / The Diocese / The Headteacher / H and S officer

NOTE

Responsible Officer - All schools must have a Responsible Officer to oversee the management of asbestos risk. This will usually be the Headteacher.

Policy and Procedure - The yellow 'Asbestos Risk Management' file outlines NYCC policies and procedures for managing of risk arising from asbestos containing materials (ACM's)

Surveys - A type two survey of the premises should be available, with the location of ACM's identified on a site plan.

A type three survey must be undertaken before any invasive construction/demolition work commences, unless it is absolutely certain that no ACM's are present in the work area.

Contractors - The location of ACM's indicated on the plan must be brought to the attention of all contractors coming on site. The permit to work confirming this fact must be completed by the contractor before work commences.

Risk Assessment and Inspection - A risk assessment must be undertaken for all known ACM's. The level of risk will depend on the type of material, its location and its condition. Using the algorithm attached to the survey a visual inspection programme of ACM's must be set up. The risk assessment will help you to establish the necessary frequency of visual inspections.

Emergency Action - The 'Asbestos Emergency Action Plan' should be readily available and brought to the attention of all staff.

will be kept in:

The Headteacher's office

Records of the above inspections • If in doubt always seek immediate advice from your BDM area maintenance office:

> Scarborough: 01723 508410 Harrogate: 01423 568444 Northallerton: 01609 785718

BDM Asbestos Manager Tel: 01609 785748

HSE website: www.hse.gov.uk

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LEGIONELLOSIS MINIMISATION

NOTE

Management Policy is:

The nominated Site Manager under Site Manager - The Directorate will nominate the NYCC Legionnaires Disease Risk Site Manager. This will normally be the Headteacher.

Headteacher

Risk assessments detailing on-site for the minimisation tasks Legionellosis risk are kept in:

The Hertel file

The person responsible for carrying out the on-site tasks set out in the above assessments is:

The site manager - NYCC cleaning services

Record showing that the above onsite tasks have been undertaken are kept in:

The Hertel file

Risk Assessment - will be undertaken by Hertel (UK) Ltd. Documentation will then be provided to schools detailing any requirements for on-site monitoring/control tasks (typically temperature recording and flushing).

Site Operator - The site manager may nominate a member of staff (the site operator), to carry out the on- site tasks set out in the risk assessment.

Records - Records of the on-site tasks must be maintained for monitoring purposes.

Changes - to water systems which may effect the level of risk, must be notified to the -

BDM Legionella Monitoring Officer Tel: 01609 785710

Advice – Further advice is available from the above and in the NYCC Environmental Services publication 'Water Services Hygiene'.

HSE website: www.hse.gov.uk

January 2022 Health and safety during a pandemic.

The aspects of Health and safety and how to reduce risk of harm to staff and pupils will be outlined in a separate document.

This will take the form of a risk assessment that Is prepared by the NYCC H and S executive board and approved by the governing body.

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WORK AT HEIGHT

All work at height in the school must be NOTE authorised by:

The Headteacher / The H and S officer

Authorisation - A designated duty holder should be responsible for authorising work at height in the school.

Risk assessments for working at height are to be completed by:

The Headteacher / The H and S officer / all staff members

Equipment used for work at height is to be checked by and records kept in:

Risk Assessments - must be in place for all tasks involving work at height were there is a significant risk of injury. These assessments may be generic for repetitive tasks

Equipment - A competent person must

periodically check all equipment used for

School governor Headteacher's management file

work at height. Documentary evidence of checks should be maintained.

Training records for persons carrying out work at height are kept:

The H and S Document Management file

Training - should be undertaken by all persons carrying out work at height. As a

minimum, relevant staff should be briefed using the HSE 'A Toolbox Talk on Ladder and Stepladder Safety'.

You can find more guidance on HSE website www.hse.gov.uk or in the following HSE publications:

- Safe Use Of Ladders And Stepladders (an employers guide) INDG402 ISBN 07176 6105 9
- A Toolbox Talk on Ladder & Stepladder Safety INDG403 ISBN 07176 6106 7
- Tower Scaffolds CIS10(rev4)

Further advice on work at height can be obtained from your NYCC Safety Risk Adviser: Janet Morris

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EDUCATIONAL VISITS

NOTE

Off-site educational visits must lauthorised by:

The Headteacher / H and S governor

The Educational Visits Co-ordinator(s) is:

The Headteacher

Risk assessments for off-site visits are to be completed by:

The members of staff leading the educational visit.

The Guidelines for Educational off-site Visits for Schools are kept in:

The educational visits file in Headteacher's office

be Authorisation - A system must be in place to ensure no parties leave the school without the appropriate authority.

EVC - All schools must appoint an Educational Visits Co-ordinator to support visit organisers and ensure that the NYCC Guidelines are followed.

Risk Assessment - must be in place for all off-site visits These assessments may be generic for certain activities such as coach transport but must be site specific with regard to the hazards present at a given venue.

NYCC Guidelines – A copy of the off-site visits code of practice and guidelines must be available at all times in the school.

Details of off-site activities are to be logged onto the NYCC database by:

The school admin officers

Database – All off-site visits must be logged onto the NYCC notification database, either as part of a rolling programme, or as an individual visit.

 Further advice can be obtained from the Educational Visits Consultant based at Bewerley Park Tel: 01423 711287

www.visits.n-yorks.net

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EMERGENCY PROCEDURES – FIRE AND EVACUATION

The person responsible for ensuring that the fire risk assessment is undertaken and implemented is:

NOTE

You must carry out fire risk assessments, in the same way as you do general health and safety risk assessments.

The MBB (HandS/PandG committee) Headteacher

For escape routes, extinguishers and alarms, you should state who checks, how often and where they are based.

Escape routes are checked by/every:

You need a routine in case of fire or emergency evacuation. You should test your alarms and emergency evacuation procedures regularly.

All staff daily NYCC (annual inspection)

An emergency evacuation drill should be carried out each term and records maintained indicating that this has been done

Fire extinguishers are maintained and checked by/every:

Walker	Fire	_	Annually
DBE services			

Alarms are tested by/every:

Site manager	Weekly
DBE services	Half yearly

Emergency evacuation will be tested every:

Termly

The Security Co-ordinator is:

The site manager

CYPS Policy and Guidance Handbook Educational Visits Policy Emergency Response Guide Safeguarding Policy Safeguarding Audit **Missing Child Procedure Snow and Ice Procedure Gritting Plan Bomb Threat Policy Display Screen Equipment Policy Emergency Procedures Policy First Aid & Medicines Policy First Aid At Work Homeworking Policy Interactive Whiteboards Policy Intimate Care Policy Laptop Policy Lettings Policy, (if applicable) Lone Worker Policy Midday Supervisory Policy** Mini Bus Policy & Guidance, (if applicable) Missing Child / Student Policy Nappy Changing Policy, (if applicable) **Disaster Recovery Policy Events Policy Lockdown Policy Snow Policy / Procedure Use Of Chemicals At Work Policy Use of Sunscreens Policy, (if applicable) Working At Heights Policy**

APPENDICES

List here any other policies relevant to health and safety and state where they are located. E.g. Medicines Policy, Educational Visits Policy etc.

SOME KEY AREAS OF RISK

- Asbestos
- Chemicals
- Confined Spaces
- Construction work
- Contractors on site
- Display Screen Equipment (VDUs)
- Educational visits
- Electricity
- Excavations
- Falling objects/collapsing structures
- Fire and Explosion
- Legionnella
- Machinery (including guarding)
- Manual Handling
- Noise

- Pressure Systems
- Radiation
- Slips, trips and falls
- Stress
- Substances hazardous to health
- High & low temperatures
- Transport
- Vehicles on site
- Vibration
- Violence to staff
- Work equipment
- Work-related upper limb disorders
- Working alone
- Work at heights
- Working environment

These are just some examples of key areas; this is not an exhaustive list. Look around your school to identify other risk areas. If any risks apply to your work activities, you will need to do risk assessments to check that you have removed or reduced the risk.

FURTHER GUIDANCE

There are many free health and safety leaflets and guidance booklets and priced publications available from:

HSE Books Tel: 01787 881165

HSE Book Website: www.hsebooks.co.uk

Health and Safety Information Services

Infoline Tel: 08701 545500 HSE Website: <u>www.hse.gov.uk</u>

FURTHER INFORMATION

Further advice on completing this health and safety policy document is available from your Safety Risk Adviser or contact:

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