

Every Child Matters Academy Trust Risk Management Policy

The terms Trust and School (and levels within e.g. governors and trustees) are interchangeable and apply to all schools within the Trust

Statement of Intent

The Trust is committed to the development of a risk management culture. This involves the embedding of an effective risk management policy and procedures, which maximises opportunity and minimises uncertainty through the identification and appropriate control of all significant risks which may affect the achievement of the Trust's objectives.

Objectives

The Trust will seek to achieve this through the following risk management policy objectives:

- (i) To manage risks (and benefits or opportunities arising) in accordance with best practice through a culture where responsible, informed and controlled risk taking is encouraged within agreed risk tolerance and limits;
- (ii) To respond to changes in social, environmental, technological, legislative, sustainability and compliance requirements;
- (iii) To be aware of and monitor the risks associated with working with other agencies and organisations;
- (iv) To maintain and test comprehensive emergency resilience and business continuity plans in order to mitigate the effects of a major incident or significant disruption to the school;
- (v) To contribute to the effective corporate governance of the school, through the embedding of a risk management policy and procedures into the school's operations.

Duties

The Trust will:

- (i) Implement and periodically review the risk management policy and procedures;
- (ii) Integrate the principles of risk management into the appropriate school operations;
- (iii) Termly review of its schools risk register;
- (iv) Provide a mechanism for risk management issues to be discussed and disseminated within schools;
- (v) Ensure training is provided on the principles and practise of risk management.
- (vi) Review the schools' resilience plans and business continuity plans.

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Chair _____ CEO _____