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The Role of the Child Protection Governor

This role will normally be undertaken by the chair of governors and will involve:

- ensuring, in liaison with the headteacher/designated senior person (DSL), that the school has a child protection policy and procedures in place. These should be reviewed and updated as required (annually);
- ensuring that an annual item is placed on the governing body agenda to report on changes to child protection policy/procedures, the number of incidents/cases (without details or names) and the place of child protection issues in the school curriculum
- ensuring that appropriate child protection training is accessible for and is undertaken by the designated senior person and other staff every 3 years
- ensuring that all school staff are aware of the existence of the relevant procedures in respect of allegations against staff
- liaison (with due regard for issues of confidentiality) with the headteacher/DSP re allegations of child abuse
- liaison with the Directorate for Children and Young People, Social Services Directorate and the Police in relation to allegations of abuse made against the headteacher, including attendance at strategy meetings. If allegations are made against the headteacher, this is the responsibility of the chair of governors **ONLY** – even if they are not the Child Protection governor
- attendance at training for designated governors

CONFIDENTIALITY

The Child Protection governor needs to be clear on the confidentiality parameters. Information received will be on a 'need to know' basis and individual cases should **not** be discussed.