

## Health and social care

### These can include:

- Social worker
- School nurse
- Health visitor
- Voluntary organisations
- Optician
- Physiotherapist.



### Ask yourself...

Although these professionals are likely to be trustworthy, will my child be left alone with them?

How can I confirm their identity?

## Religious centres / places

### This can be any type of place of worship such as:

- Church
- Mosque
- Synagogue
- Temple.



### Ask yourself...

Does the centre have a safeguarding policy or procedures?

How well do I know the leader and his / her background?

Although these professionals are likely to be trustworthy, will my child be left alone with them?

Is my child happy to tell me about what happens?

## Concerned about a child?



If you think a child is being abused or neglected, take action straight away. The longer the abuse or neglect goes on, the longer it will take for a child to recover.

If you have concerns about a child, contact:

**Leicestershire County Council**  
0116 305 0005 [childrensduty@leics.gov.uk](mailto:childrensduty@leics.gov.uk)

**Rutland County Council**  
01572 758407 [childrensduty@rutland.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:childrensduty@rutland.gcsx.gov.uk)

**Leicester City Council**  
0116 454 1004 [DAS.Team@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:DAS.Team@leicester.gov.uk)

**Police**  
Non emergencies, call 101  
In emergencies, always dial 999

Child protection is everyone's responsibility  
[www.lrsb.org.uk](http://www.lrsb.org.uk) [www.lcitylscb.org](http://www.lcitylscb.org)

## Keeping children safe



Information for parents and carers



## What do parents and carers need to know?

Does the organisation looking after the child have a safeguarding policy and procedure?

Can you see them?

What checks have been made on employees and volunteers?

Is your child happy to tell you about activities and individuals?

Have you any concerns, or have you heard of any concerns about the organisation or people associated with it?

## Who is looking after the children?

**These can include:**

- Babysitters
- Child minders
- Creche workers
- Volunteers
- Nannies
- Residential staff
- New boyfriends or girlfriends
- Step relatives
- In-laws
- A friend's parent.



### Ask yourself...

Do I know this person well enough before I trust them with my children?

Do I have their address and contact number and do they have mine?

Is my child happy to talk about what they do together?

## Leisure

The child could take part in lots of leisure activities such as:

- Scouts and Guides
- Cinema / bowling
- Sports clubs
- Music lessons
- Theatre and drama
- Outdoor pursuits
- Fishing.



### Ask yourself...

Does the organisation have a safeguarding policy and procedure?

What checks have been made on employees and volunteers?

Will my child be supervised by a safe adult at all times?

## Education

**This can include:**

- Primary and secondary schools
- Residential schools
- Private tutors
- After school activities
- Midday supervisors
- Traffic crossing warden
- School bus or taxi driver / escort
- Alternative provision?



### Ask yourself...

Does the organisation have a safeguarding policy and procedure?

Does it keep your child safe with good security?

What checks are carried out on staff and volunteers?

Is there an effective anti-bullying strategy?

Does the school always know who will collect your child?

Is your child happy to talk about what they are doing?