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To whom it may concern

Safeguarding and Safer Recruitment: Letter of Assurance

In accordance with the requirements of the DfE guidance Keeping Children Safe in Education, I can confirm that Universal Fire & Security undertake safeguarding, safer recruitment, vetting and barring checks for all employees to BS 7858 standard.

No:		Issue Date:
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Kieran Brokenshire	001882593872	13/06/24
Michael Eakers	001875675420	22/04/24
Bethany Dunridge	001901061600	29/10/24
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Andrew Spence	001783414498	31/05/22
Travis Menhenick	001104571519	04/01/23
Matthew Read	001140109054	31/08/23
Jordan Evans	001836783482	12/01/24
James Hunter-Campbell	001884697270	27/06/24
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Kind regards

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Child Safeguarding Policy Statement

We believe that the welfare of children and young people is everyone's responsibility, particularly when it comes to protecting them from abuse. Universal Fire & Security Ltd (UFS) works to ensure that all children and young people coming into contact with our employees, workers or subcontractors are protected and treated with respect.

At the same time, Universal Fire & Security Ltd works to protect its employees from the risk of unfounded allegation.

Policy Principles:

- The wellbeing and safety of each child is paramount
- All children regardless of disability, gender, racial or ethnic origin, religious belief and sexual orientation have the right to be protected from harm.
- It is everyone's responsibility to report all suspicious concerns and allegations of abuse will be properly investigated and dealt with in a swiftly and appropriately manner.
- All alleged poor practice incidents, misconduct and abuse will be taken seriously by Universal Fire & Security and responded to swiftly and appropriately.
- All personal data will be processed in accordance with the requirements of the GDPR 2018

Universal Fire and Security Ltd will:

- Make sure that all its workers understand their legal and moral obligations to protect children and young persons from harm, abuse and exploitation.
- Carry out disclosure barring service (DBS) checks on new staff and carry out a risk assessment of any information disclosed.
- Ensure all employees, workers and subcontractors are aware of and abide by this Child Protection Policy.

Code of Conduct for the Protection of Children & Young Persons

The following must be adhered to by all staff, workers, site visitors and subcontract staff:

- a) Observe this Code at all times.
- b) Stay within the confines of the agreed site or work area.
- c) Site Supervisor to record employees/sub-contractors names working on each site daily.
- d) Keep Site Supervisors informed of where you are and what you are doing.
- e) Treat all children equally, with respect and dignity. Ensure the welfare of the children is put first.
- f) Avoid contact with children. Do not join in/play games with the children. Do not share food and drink with the children. Do not offer to buy or sell items to children. Do not give your address or telephone number to children.
- g) If spoken to by a child please be polite but do not enter into lengthy conversation and do not engage children in conversation. Do not use inappropriate language on site.
- h) Do not engage in any physical contact with a child (it could easily be misinterpreted or misconstrued).

- i) Dress appropriately: no bare chest, no inappropriate imagery or wording on T-shirts, etc.
- j) Do not bring or drink alcohol or smoke cigarettes in the company of children.
- k) Remember that your actions, no matter how well-intentioned, could be misinterpreted.
- l) Report any matters out of the ordinary / of concern to the relevant authorities immediately.
- m) **Ensure all allegations are reported immediately to your Supervisor**

Review of this Policy

This policy and its procedures shall be reviewed at least annually, to ensure its effectiveness and -

- In accordance with changes in legislation and guidance on the protection of children and vulnerable adults or any changes within UFS
- Following any concerns or issues that have been raised about UFS and the protection of children or vulnerable adults; Or
- in any other circumstances

For and on behalf of The Board of Directors

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