



*The Lindens*  
*Steiner Waldorf Early Years*

## SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

The Lindens is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We take seriously our responsibility to safeguard the children that attend our setting and we ensure that consistent and effective safeguarding procedures are in place to support our families, children and staff. If we are concerned about your child we will talk to you first. If we need to record information, or to share with other relevant professionals, this will be discussed with you and stored confidentially in line with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR). The only exception to this would be if we had reason to believe that discussing our concerns with you would put your child at immediate risk of harm. In this case we would contact the MASH on 01452426565 or the police.

If you are concerned about a child's welfare then you can contact the Children and Families Services Helpdesk on 01452 426565.

If you are concerned about a member of staff's behaviour towards a child then you can call the Gloucestershire LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer), Nigel Hatten, Tel: 01452 426994.