

# HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

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## 1. Statement of Intent

The Governing Body of St. Edmund's CofE Primary & Nursery School will meet their responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act and other health and safety legislation to provide safe and healthy working conditions for employees, and ensure their work does not adversely affect the health and safety of others (including; pupils, visitors, contractors etc.). Details of how this will be achieved are given in this health and safety statement.

The Governing Body will ensure that effective consultation takes place with all employees on health and safety matters and that individuals are consulted before allocating particular health and safety functions to them.

Where necessary the Governing Body will seek specialist advice to determine the risks to health and safety in the school and the precautions required to deal with them.

The Governing Body will provide sufficient information and training in health and safety matters to all employees in respect to the risk of their health and safety.

The Governing Body requires the support of all staff to enable the maintenance of high standards of health and safety in the schools activities.

The school is committed to continually improving its health and safety performance.

This statement includes a description of the organisation of the school and its arrangements for dealing with different areas of risk. Details of how these areas of risk will be addressed are outlined in the arrangements section.

Signed: Paul Smith

Date: October, 2024

Signed: Anthony Bandy-Webb

(Head Teacher)

Date: October, 2024

# Organisational Structure and Responsibilities

#### **Management Structure**

The structure chart outlines key roles and responsibilities within the schools health and safety management system.

#### Responsibilities of the Governing Body:

The Governing Body are responsible for:

- Complying with the Nottinghamshire County Council Policy and arrangements.
- Formulating and ratifying the school health and safety statement and health and safety plan.
- School to have access to health and safety competent advice as stated in Regulation 7 of the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations.
- The site and premises is maintained in a safe condition and that appropriate funding is allocated to this area from the budget.
- Prioritising action on health and safety matters where resources are required from the school budget. Any hazards which the school is unable to rectify from the school budget must be reported to the Local Authority.
- Regularly reviewing health and safety arrangements (minimum annually) and implementing new arrangements where necessary.
- Promoting high standards and develop a positive culture of health and safety within the school.
- Employees to have necessary competence to conduct their duties in relation to health and safety matters.

- Risk assessments are completed and recorded of all the schools work activities (including those off-site) which could constitute a significant risk to the health and safety of employees and others.
- The statement of intent and other health and safety documentation is drawn to the attention of all employees.
- Conduct active and reactive monitoring of health and safety matters in the school.

## Responsibilities of the Head Teacher:

The Head Teacher is responsible for:

- The day to day management of health and safety matters in the school in accordance with the health and safety policy and ensuring the health and safety arrangements are carried out in practice.
- Risk assessments are completed and recorded of all the schools work activities (including those off-site) which could constitute a significant risk to the health and safety of employees and others.
- Conduct active and reactive monitoring of health and safety matters in the school and remedial action is taken (where necessary) to reduce risk.
- Information regarding health and safety matters will be communicated to the relevant individuals.
- Identify staff health and safety training requirements and make arrangements for provision.
- Establish and attend the schools health and safety committee (where appropriate).
- Developing and/or reviewing the school annual health and safety action plan.
- Co-operating with and providing necessary facilities for trade union safety representative(s).

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- Participating in the Local Authority health and safety auditing arrangements and ensuring audit action plans are implemented.
- Monitoring the purchasing and maintenance of equipment and materials with regards to compliance with current health and safety standards.
- Employ only competent contractors to work on the school site.
- Seek specialist advice on health and safety matters were appropriate.
- Implement formal arrangements for managing emergency situations.
- Compliance with the requirements of the Occupier's Liability Act.

Note: In the absence of the Head Teacher, these responsibilities fall to their immediate deputy.

Responsibilities of the Health and Safety Co-ordinator (must be a Senior Member of Staff)

Responsible to the Head Teacher for:

- Attending appropriate health and safety training courses to enable them to discharge their duties effectively.
- Promoting health and safety matters throughout the school and assisting the Head Teacher in the implementation of the health and safety policy and arrangements.
- Maintenance of health and safety documentation and associated records to ensure they remain up to date with current legislation and good practice.
- Implement a health and safety notice board and sure it is kept up to date.

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- The correct accident reporting procedures are followed and where appropriate accidents, incidents and near misses are investigated.
- Conduct routine health and safety inspections and implement a method of internal audit. A
  system must be in place to monitor and respond to any identified remedial actions.
- Implementing procedures for the authorisation of school visits.
- Participating in health and safety audits arranged by the Local Authority.
- Providing health and safety induction training for all new employees.
- Maintenance of health and safety training records including the provision of refresher training.
- Statutory inspections are completed and records kept.
- Emergency drills and procedures are carried out regularly and monitored for effectiveness.
- Monitoring contractors on site and conduct a formal, documented induction.
- Attend the schools health and safety committee (where appropriate).

Note: In the absence of a designated Health and Safety Co-ordinator the above responsibilities will fall to the Head Teacher.

#### Responsibilities of all Employees

All employees at the school have responsibility to:

• Take reasonable care for the health and safety of themselves and others when undertaking their work.

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- Checking classrooms, work areas and equipment are safe.
- Ensure safe working procedures are followed as outlined within health and safety policy and risk assessments.
- Co-operating with the Local Authority / Governors / Head Teacher / on all matters relating to health and safety by complying with the health and safety policy.
- Not intentionally or recklessly interfering or misusing equipment or fittings provided in the interests of safety or welfare.
- Reporting immediately to their Line Manager or Head Teacher any serious or immediate danger.
- Reporting to their Head Teacher any shortcomings in the arrangements for health and safety.
- Only use equipment or machinery which they are competent to use or have been trained to use.
- Participating in health and safety inspections and the health and safety committee (where appropriate).

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# **Arrangements**

#### **Co-ordination and Communication**

### **Health and Safety Co-ordinator:**

Senior member of staff in the school with special responsibility for health and safety matters (Health	Abbey Thacker
and Safety Co-ordinator):	

# **Safety Representatives and Safety Committees:**

Employee(s) appointed as a safety representative by their association or trade union:	N/A
their association of trade amon.	

# **Health and Safety Committee:**

The members of the School Health and Safety Committee are:

Name	Job Title
Abbey Thacker	Office Manager
Anthony Bandy-Webb	Headteacher
Hannah Pembury	Deputy Headteacher
Rob Austin	Site Manager
Geoff Stafford	Governor

# **Emergencies**

Senior member of staff in the school with	
responsibility the development, maintenance and	Rob Austin
implementation of the emergency plan:	

A copy of the emergency plan is available at:

School Procedures Folder in Site Managers Office

The person (and deputy) responsible for ensuring and supervising (where appropriate) the controlled evacuation of people from the building or on the site to a place of safety.	Person Responsible	Deputy
Summoning of the emergency services.	Anthony Bandy- Webb	Abbey Thacker
That a roll call is taken at the assembly point	Anthony Bandy- Webb	Hannah Pembury
That no-one attempts to re-enter the building until the all clear is given by the emergency services	Anthony Bandy- Webb	Abbey Thacker

## Note: The priorities are as follows:

- To ensure the safety of all persons, their removal from danger, their care and the application of first aid and medical treatment where appropriate.
- To call the emergency services when appropriate.
- To safeguard the premises and equipment, if this is possible without putting persons at risk.

#### **Locations of Main Service Isolation Points**

Service	Location of Isolation Point	
Water	Boiler House	
Gas	Boiler House	
Electricity	Headteacher Office	

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#### **Severe Weather**

During periods of severe weather, arrangements for maintaining safe access to, from and within the premises (e.g. clearing snow and ice) will be determined by:

**Rob Austin** 

# **Accidents and Medical Arrangement**

#### Accident, Incident and Near Miss Reporting and Investigation

Any employee who witnesses an accident, incident or near miss, or to whom one is reported, will make an entry in the accident report book as soon as possible after the event:

Accident book(s) are kept by the following people at the location specified:

Location of Accident Book	Person in Charge of Accident Book
School Office	Abbey Thacker
Accident reports must be drawn to the	Head Teacher: Anthony Bandy-Webb
attention of the Head Teacher / Principal	Deputy: Hannah Pembury
Person responsible for monitoring accidents, incidents and near misses to identify trends and patterns:	Abbey Thacker - Trends Rob Austin - Structures

The following types of incident must be recorded:

- All accidents, incidents and near misses involving employees
- All instances of verbal abuse, aggressive behaviour and violence towards employees
- Any incidents which result in pupils or members of the public requiring further medical treatment
- Any incidents which are RIDDOR reportable (with a copy of the RIDDOR report sent to hands@nottscc.gov.uk).

Where accidents are found to be caused by faulty plant, equipment, premises or unsafe systems of work action must be taken to remove or isolate the hazard and warn people until the necessary modifications or repairs can be made.

#### First Aid:

The following employees are named first aiders:

Name	Location / Extension	Expiry Date of Certificate
Claire Hollywood-Long	Year 2	
Kelsey Simpson	Nursery	
Rebecca Thompson	MDSA	
Victoria Chandler	EYFS	
Kirsty Easom	Across School	
Hannah Pembury	Office/Nursery	
Person responsible for ensuring first aid qualifications are maintained:		Abbey Thacker
Person responsible for ensuring that first aid cover is provided for staff working out of normal school hours:		Abbey Thacker

First aid boxes and first aid record books are kept at the following locations in the school:

Location of First Aid Box(es)	Location of	First Aid Record Book(s)
School Office	Office	
Conservatory	Conservato	ry - First Aid Cupboard
Classrooms	All Classrooms (in accident books)	
A termly check on the location and contents of all first aid boxes is carried out by:		Abbey Thacker
Use of first aid materials and deficiencies should be reported to:		Abbey Thacker
Address and telephone number of the nearest medical centre / NHS GP:		Oakwood Surgery, Church Street Mansfield Woodhouse Nottinghamshire NG19 8BL
Address and telephone number of the nearest hospital with accident and emergency facilities:		Kingsmill Hospital 01623 622515 Mansfield Road Sutton-in-Ashfield NG17 4JL

## **Administration of Medicines**

Member of staff in the school with responsibility the development, maintenance and implementation of the medicines policy:	Abbey Thacker
A copy of the medicines policy is available at:	School Office
Person responsible for dealing with the administration of medicines in accordance with current guidelines. Including keeping records of parental permission,	First:Abbey Thacker
keeping medicines secure, keeping records of administration, and safely disposing of medicines which are no longer required:	Deputy: Andrea Cooper
Person responsible for dealing with the administration of controlled drugs (e.g. Ritalin) in accordance with the Misuse of Drugs Act. Including keeping records of	First: Abbey Thacker
parental permission, liaising with the providing pharmacist, keeping medicines secure, keeping records of administration and safely disposing of medicines which are no longer required:	Deputy: Andrea Cooper
Person(s) responsible for undertaking and reviewing the care plans of pupils with medical needs:	Victoria Chandler (SENCo)

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# Hazard Identification and Control

#### **Risk Assessment**

Person responsible for carrying out an assessment of		
the school's work activities including extra-curricular,		
off-site activities (inc. school trips / residential), work		
carried out by contractors or volunteers on site,		
identifying hazards and ensuring risk assessments		
and procedures are appropriately communicated:		

Anthony Bandy-Webb

Rob Austin

## **Hazard Reporting and Follow Up**

All employees, governors and trustees must report any hazards that could be a cause of serious or imminent danger e.g. damaged electrical sockets, broken windows, suspected gas leaks, wet or slippery floors immediately to:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for initiating a risk assessment of hazards identified and any remedial action decided upon:	Rob Austin

### **Repairs and Maintenance**

A person encountering any damage or wear and tear of the premises which may constitute a hazard should report it to:	Rob Austin
Defective furniture must be taken out of use immediately and reported to:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for ordering repairs and maintenance:	Rob Austin

# Information, Instruction and Training

#### **Provision of Information**

Person responsible for distributing all health and safety information received from the Local Authority / Trust:	Abbey Thacker
Records of employees signatures indicating that they have received and understood health and safety information is kept:	Staff Files
The health and safety notice board is sited:	Staff Room
Person responsible for ensuring documents are displayed on the health and safety notice board and keeping it up to date:	Abbey Thacker
The HSE Health and Safety Law Poster is displayed:	Staff Room
The NCC Health and Safety Policy Statement Poster is displayed (NCC Schools Only):	Staff Room

### **Health and Safety Training**

Person responsible for drawing to the attention of all	Anthony Dondy Mohh
employees the following health and safety matters as	Anthony Bandy-Webb
part of their induction training:	

- Health and Safety Policy (Local Authority / Trust and Departmental)
- Local asbestos register and disturbance procedure
- Risk assessments
- Fire and other emergency arrangements
- Accident reporting arrangements
- First aid arrangements
- Safe use of work equipment
- Good housekeeping, waste disposal and cleaning arrangements
- Hazard reporting and maintenance procedures
- Special hazards and responsibilities associated with their work activity
- Special needs of young employees (e.g. work experience placements).

consultation with their line managers:	nsible for co-ordinating the provision of fety training needs of employees in vith their line managers:  Abbey Thacker
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Person responsible for compiling and implementing the school's annual health and safety training plan:	Abbey Thacker
Person responsible for reviewing the effectiveness of health and safety training:	Abbey Thacker
Employees who feel that they have need to health and safety training of any kind must notify in writing the contact person:	Abbey Thacker

## **Premises**

Person with overall responsibility for managing asbestos:	Rob Austin
The asbestos register is kept at:	School Procedures Folder (Site Managers Office)
Person with responsibility for ensuring the local asbestos management plan is implemented and maintained:	Anthony Bandy-Webb
The disturbance procedure is displayed in a (staff only) area, at:	Staff Room
The condition of asbestos is monitored (periodically, in accordance with register/LAMP) by:	Rob Austin
The LAMP is kept in:	Site Managers Office

# Legionella

Person with overall responsibility for managing Legionella:	Rob Austin
The Legionella risk assessment is kept at:	Site Manager's Office
Person with responsibility for ensuring that remedial actions from the risk assessment are followed through:	Rob Austin
The water temperatures and other maintenance tasks associated with the water system are taken (monthly) by:	Second Element

The flushing of little used outlets is carried out (weekly, including school closure periods) by:	Rob Austin
The log book is kept in:	Legionella Folder in School Office

#### **Fire**

Person with overall responsibility for managing fire safety:	Rob Austin
The fire risk assessment is kept at:	School Procedures folder, Site Manager's Office
Person with responsibility for ensuring that remedial actions from the risk assessment are followed through:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for routine maintenance and servicing of fire safety equipment:	Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue Service
The log book is kept in:	Fire Folder in Main Office

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# **Security**

#### **Premises**

Person (and their deputy) responsible for unlocking and locking the building, arming / disarming security alarms etc:

First: Rob Austin

Deputy: TIS Security

#### **Visitors**

On arrival all visitors must report to:	School Office
<ul> <li>Where they will be issued with;</li> <li>An identification badge</li> <li>Relevant health and safety information</li> <li>Sign the visitors book</li> </ul>	

## **Lone Working**

Person responsible for ensuring risk assessments a prepared and implemented for lone working activitie	ROD ALISTIN
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## **Use of Premises Outside School Hours**

Person responsible for co-ordinating lettings of the premises in accordance with the lettings procedure:	Abbey Thacker
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# **Control of Contractors**

Person responsible for commissioning building work and is aware of their legal duties under the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations: (Note: this may differ dependant on individual requirements of a project)	Anthony Bandy-Webb
Person responsible for the completion of the Notification of Building Works form and sending to H&S team in timely manner:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for selecting contactors and vetting contractors health and safety, policies, risk assessments, method statements, insurance and past health and safety performance:	Rob Austin
Responsibility for liaison and monitoring of contractors:	Rob Austin

# **Work Equipment**

# Powered Access Equipment, Mobile Access Platforms, Tower Scaffolds

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) authorised and competent to operate and use:	Rob Austin

#### **Ladders**

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) authorised and competent to operate and use:	Rob Austin

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## **Stepladders**

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin	
Person(s) authorised and competent to operate and use:	Rob Austin	

# **Manual Handling Equipment**

Person responsible for ensuring that sack barrows, flat-bed trolleys etc. are maintained in safe condition:	Rob Austin
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## **Equipment Provided for Pupils with Special Educational Needs**

Person responsible for ensuring all hoists, used for moving people receive a thorough examination and service every six months by a competent contractor and kept in good working order:	Victoria Chandler
Person responsible for ensuring that slings are laundered regularly (in accordance with manufacturers instruction) and kept in a hygienic condition:	Victoria Chandler
Person responsible for ensuring all wheelchairs, standing frames are inspected and serviced annually by a competent person, kept in a hygienic condition and in good working order:	Victoria Chandler
Person responsible for ensuring that other special needs equipment is kept in good working order and serviced appropriately:	Victoria Chandler

#### Lifts

#### **Pressure Vessels**

Person responsible for arranging a written scheme,	Dob Austin	
thorough examination and maintenance of pressure	Rob Austin	
vessels:		

## **Caretaking and Cleaning Equipment**

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) authorised and competent to operate and use:	Rob Austin Colleen Nussey Kim Morgan

## **PE Equipment**

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) responsible for regular daily visual inspection and in-house routine inspection:	John Hayes
Contractor responsible for annual full inspection and report:	Sport Safe

# **Outdoor Play Equipment**

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) responsible for regular daily visual inspection and in-house routine inspection:	Staff Team
Contractor responsible for annual full inspection and report:	Sport Safe

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Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) authorised and competent to operate and use:	Staff Team

## **Mobile Staging and Seating**

Person responsible for selection, inspection, maintenance, training, supervision, safe use and risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person(s) authorised and competent to operate and use:	Staff Team

# Portable Electrical Appliances and Hard Wiring Circuits

Person responsible for ensuring the hard wiring circuits is periodically inspected (every 5 years):	Rob Austin
Person responsible for ensuring remedial actions are undertaken from the hard wiring circuits inspection and retaining a record of this:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for ensuring portable electrical appliance testing is carried out at appropriate intervals and recorded:	Rob Austin
Person(s) responsible for carrying out formal visual inspection and testing:	
Staff must not bring onto the premises any portable electrical appliances unless authorised and have been portable appliance tested. The person responsible for authorising their use on the premises:	Anthony Bandy-Webb

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# **Swimming Pools**

<ul> <li>Person responsible for ensuring the swimming pool is:</li> <li>Correctly and safely maintained</li> <li>Regular inspections are carried out</li> <li>Remedial action is taken or if necessary the pool is taken out of use where necessary</li> <li>Appropriate records are kept</li> </ul>	N/A
Person responsible for ensuring the swimming pool is used only by authorised persons in accordance with the code of safe practice, with lifesavers and adequate supervision etc.	N/A

## **Vehicles**

Employees who are required to use their private vehicle for official business are responsible for gaining authorisation from: They will ensure the driver has a valid licence, appropriate insurance, the vehicle is road worthy and fitted with suitable seat belts for each passenger.	Anthony Bandy-Webb
Person responsible for arranging insurance and maintenance of vehicles to the standards laid down by the Local Authority / Trust.	Anthony Bandy-Webb
Person responsible for authorising the use of the school minibus, ensuring risk assessments are completed, drivers have passed their minibus test etc.	
Person responsible for maintaining a list of authorised drivers of school vehicles who have passed the required test:	N/A

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# **Substances and Personal Protective Equipment**

#### **Hazardous Substances**

Inventories of hazardous substances used in the school are maintained by the following employees at the locations specified:

	Person Responsible	Location / Extension
Science	N/A	N/A
Art	N/A	N/A
Caretaking	Rob Austin	Locked Site Cupboard
Cleaning	Rob Austin	Locked Site Cupboard
Catering	Rob Austin	Locked Site Cupboard
Grounds Maintenance	Rob Austin	Locked Site Cupboard
Other (please state):		
Copies of all the hazardous substances inventories are held centrally in:		COSHH Folder in Site Managers Office
Person responsible for obtaining the latest Hazcards / MSDS and undertaking / updating the COSHH risk assessments:		Rob Austin
Person responsible for ensuring local exhaust ventilation (e.g. fans, kitchen ventilation, dust extraction etc.) will receive a thorough examination by an appointed contractor:		Rob Austin

#### Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Suitable PPE will be provided free of charge, where identified as necessary in a risk assessment. All employees are responsible for informing their line manager as soon as they become aware of a need to repair or replace PPE.

Person(s) responsible for inspecting PPE termly and replacing PPE when required are:	Victoria Chandler
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Person responsible for the risk assessment, provision,
storage, maintenance, inspection, repair and
replacement of respiratory protective equipment:

Victoria Chandler

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## Housekeeping and Waste

#### **Cleaning Arrangements**

All members of staff are responsible for arranging to clear up spillages, which occur whilst they are in charge of the area concerned. Other spillages, leaks or wet floors should be reported to Site Manager to be dealt with.

All members of staff are responsible for ensuring that hazardous substances or substances that require special procedures for disposal are disposed of safely and in accordance with the appropriate risk assessment.

Person responsible for informing the waste authority of any items of general waste to be collected but not covered by the general waste agreement:	Rob Austin
A member of staff who is concerned that cleaning arrangements are causing a hazard which cannot be rectified immediately should report the matter to:	Rob Austin

### Waste Management and Disposal

Waste will be collected daily by:	
Person responsible for ensuring the safe storage of waste in appropriately secure containers and are chained after emptying:	Rob Austin
All members of staff are responsible for reporting accumulations of waste, or large items that require special attention to:	Rob Austin

Waste awaiting collection must never be left where it obstructs escape routes or could aid the sand production and spread of fire or smoke.

All staff are responsible for ensuring the good housekeeping of their own work areas e.g. classrooms, offices, workshops and storage areas etc

When waste needs to be disposed of it should be reported to: (who will arrange for its safe disposal)	Rob Austin
Person responsible for the safe disposal of any hazardous substances or special waste:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for ensuring the safe and appropriate disposal of any clinical waste:	Rob Austin

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# **Manual Handling**

# Manual handling of Objects

Person responsible for identifying hazardous manual handling activities involving objects and arranging for their elimination or risk assessment:	Rob Austin	
Person responsible for monitoring the safety of manual handling activities:	Rob Austin	

## **Manual Handling of People**

Person responsible for identifying hazardous manual handling activities involving people and arranging for a risk assessment:	Rob Austin
Person responsible for monitoring the safety of manual handling activities:	Rob Austin