Privacy and Safety Policy for Nature Explorers at Little Monkeys Cramond

Purpose

This policy addresses the privacy risks posed by the nearby car park at the church hall to children participating in the Nature Explorers program at Little Monkeys Cramond, as highlighted in the recent Care Inspectorate report.

Policy Statement

To ensure the safety and privacy of children during outdoor activities, we will implement immediate control measures and work towards a permanent solution in response to the concerns raised.

Immediate Control Measures

• Activity Suspension: Outdoor activities will not be conducted if vehicles are present in the nearby church hall and visible and no temporary screens or structures are in place to shield children from view.

Recommended Permanent Solution

• Entrance Screen: We are advocating for the installation of a permanent entrance screen at the Nature Explorers site that can be opened or closed depending on whether the church hall car park has vehicles present. This screen will serve as a consistent barrier, enhancing the privacy of children during outdoor exploration.

Conclusion

At Little Monkeys Cramond, we are committed to ensuring a safe environment for all children. By implementing these measures in light of the Care Inspectorate's report, we aim to balance outdoor learning with necessary privacy safeguards.

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