

MARLOW OPPORTUNITY PLAYGROUP

8.7 Alcohol, substance abuse and smoking

Policy statement

We comply with health and safety regulations and the Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage in making our setting a no-smoking environment - both indoors and outdoors. We do not tolerate any consumption of alcohol or illegal substances on the premises during or prior to the session, nor do we accept any staff member or volunteer on the premises who is showing signs of having consumed alcohol or illegal substance.

Procedures

- All staff, parents, visitors and volunteers are made aware of our policy on consuming alcohol, illegal substances or smoking on the premises
- We display no-smoking signs.
- We actively encourage no-smoking by having information for parents and staff about where to get help to stop smoking if they are seeking this information.
- Staff who smoke do not do so during working hours.
- Staff members, parents, visitors and volunteers who arrive at the setting showing signs of having consumed alcohol or illegal substances will not be admitted, and staff members and volunteers will be disciplined accordingly.
- Any breach of this policy will be referred to the chair of the VMC and a decision on the next course of action will be taken.

Legal framework

- The Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations (2006)
- The Smoke-free (Signs) Regulations (2012)

This policy was adopted at a meeting of

Marlow Opportunity Playgroup VMC

Held on

Date to be reviewed

Signed on behalf of the provider

Name of signatory

Role of signatory (e.g. chair, director or owner)
