

## **Child Protection Policy**

### **1. Introduction**

Members of The Tutors' Association (TTA) will ensure that their pupils are given tuition in a congenial and safe environment. Each member has a moral and legal obligation to ensure that, when given responsibility for young people, they are treated with the highest possible standard of care. A child/young person is defined as a person under the age of 18 (The Children's Act 1989 and 2004).

### **2. Policy Statement**

Members of the TTA are committed to ensuring that:

- (a) the welfare of the child is paramount;
- (b) all children, whatever their age, culture, ability, gender, language, racial origin, religious belief and/or sexual identity are able to receive the benefit of tutoring in a safe environment;
- (c) all reasonable steps are taken to protect children from harm, discrimination and demeaning treatment and to respect their rights, wishes and feelings;
- (d) all suspicions and allegations of poor practice or abuse will be taken seriously and responded to swiftly and appropriately;
- (e) all members who work with children will be recruited with regard to their suitability for that responsibility, and will seek guidance and/or training in good practice and child protection procedures;
- (f) they work in partnership with parents and children – which is essential for the protection of children.

### **3. Monitor and review the policy and procedures**

This policy shall be reviewed every 3 years or whenever there is a major change in the organisation or in relevant legislation.