



Dynamic lockdown

Policy statement

A dynamic lockdown is an ability to quickly restrict access and egress to a site or building through physical measures in response to a threat, either external or internal. The aim of lockdown is to prevent people moving into danger areas and preventing or frustrating the attackers accessing a site.

Procedures

Lock down or invocation procedures should be considered if: -

- There is a local air pollution due to a nearby fire or chemical release.
- There is a dangerous animal (usually a dog) in the grounds.
- There is an incident or civil disturbance in the area that might affect the nursery.
- There is an aggrieved, disturbed or intoxicated person trying to gain access to the nursery. (Parent or stranger)
- There is an intruder on the site.
- Invacuation or lockdown could be triggered if there is an urgent imminent threat, or as a precaution because of a threat in the vicinity.

To alert a lockdown the whistle must be blown and heard by all the nursery. 'Lock down immediately' will also be called. All staff will gather all children and make their way to the **Prayer room**. Senior staff members will get registers, telephone and evacuation bag. Managers will get shift diary and signing in book. When everyone had reached the Prayer room a register will be taken by senior members and managers will call for appropriate help. We will remain in the room until help has arrived unless told otherwise.

Further guidance

For any further information on this policy please see the management team.