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| The Wider World ProjectLone Worker Policy |



**Every attempt should be made to ensure the safety and security of children and young people and the adults who work with them.**

**There are occasions where managers will need to undertake a risk assessment in relation to the specific nature and implications of one to one work. These assessments should take into account the individual needs of the child/young person and the individual worker and any arrangements should be reviewed on a regular basis.**

**If for any reason staff are working a session on their own, are working with a young person or group by themselves or are in one of the buildings we use doing paperwork etc. then the following must be adhered to:**

Inform a named colleague of:

* Who they are working with - If staff are not returning to a session where other staff are or meeting up with staff after their lone worker session then they must text the named/informed colleague to let them know that they have finished the session.
* Details of the session/task
* Estimated finish time
* Travel plans

For Personal Safety, staff should :

* Have a mobile phone with them
* Take care of your own safety and that of others affected by your actions or inactions
* Comply with the risk assessment and inform the office if a risk changes

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Be aware of the environment:

* Know what measures are in place where you work: check out alarm systems and procedures, exits and entrances, and the location of the first aid supplies.