

## Helping Youth & Community from Start to Finish

## **Online Safety Statement**

This statement works in line with the Safeguarding, Child and Vulnerable Adult Protection Policy 2025-2026

OnTrak's online safety protocols and use of technology, including the confiscation of devices, blocking controls for all inappropriate online content, no access to the wi-fi password and protocols for reporting to appropriate authorities if the content and/or use thereof is considered at risk, is in conjunction with the DfE guidance:

## Teaching online safety in schools - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) 2023

Children must be safeguarded from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material. As such, the charity ensures appropriate filters and appropriate monitoring systems are in place.

Online safety is included in our curriculum provision and ensures children are taught about safeguarding, keeping safe online, through teaching and learning opportunities. This may include covering relevant issues through a variety of lessons and learning opportunities including: personal, social, health and economic education tutorials and/or through sex and relationship education (PSCHE).

Although appropriate blocking is essential, it does not restrict our students' learning or lead to unreasonable restrictions as to what our students can be taught with regards to online teaching and safeguarding. The safeguarding policy sets out specific measures that ensure students in the charity work safely, including protection from terrorist or extremist material, peer abuse, inappropriate websites or online content and bullying via online platforms, including sexting.