# 01 Health and safety procedures

# **Knutsford Community Preschool**

## 01.18 Animals and pets

### Animals bought in by visitors

- The owner of the animal/creature maintains responsibility for it in the Preschool.
- The owner carriers out a risk assessment detailing how the animal/creature is to be handled and how any safety or hygiene issues will be addressed.
- Staff will be aware of any allergies or issues individual children may have with any animals/creatures.
- A risk assessment is conducted to consider any hygiene and safety risks posed by the animal or creature.
- Children are taught correct handling of the animal and are always supervised.
- Children wash their hands after handling the animal.

### **Further guidance**

Good Practice in Early Years Infection Control (Pre-school Learning Alliance 2009)

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