

Filtering and Monitoring Training



DATA FILTERING

Shropshire Gateway Educational Trust
Training for all staff and volunteers

You should identify and assign roles and responsibilities to manage your filtering and monitoring systems

- Filtering and monitoring are both important parts of safeguarding pupils and staff from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material.
- Clear roles, responsibilities and strategies are vital for delivering and maintaining effective filtering and monitoring systems. It's important that the right people are working together and using their professional expertise to make informed decisions.
- Headteachers, DSLs and Computing lead, alongside the governing body, are responsible to check that filtering and monitoring systems are robust.

As part of this role, the school is responsible for:

- procuring filtering and monitoring systems
- documenting decisions on what is blocked or allowed and why
- reviewing the effectiveness of your provision
- overseeing reports

Ensuring that staff and volunteers:

- understand their role
- are appropriately trained
- follow policies, processes and procedures
- act on reports and concerns

All staff, parents and pupils agree to our AUP each year. Also, our E-Safety policy which is read and signed each year by all staff includes a section on filtering and monitoring which states:

- Internet access is filtered for all users. Illegal content (child sexual abuse images) is filtered by the broadband or filtering provider by actively employing the Internet Watch Foundation CAIC list. Content Online/E-Safety Policy - lists are regularly updated and internet use is logged and regularly monitored.). There is a clear process in place to deal with requests for filtering changes
- The school has enhanced / differentiated user-level filtering (allowing different filtering levels for different ages / stages and different groups of users – staff / pupils / students etc)
- Trust technical staff regularly monitor and record the activity of users on the school technical systems and users are made aware of this in the Acceptable Use Agreement
- An appropriate system is in place for users to report any actual / potential technical incident / security breach to the relevant person, as agreed).
- Appropriate security measures are in place to protect the servers, firewalls, routers, wireless systems, work stations, mobile devices etc from accidental or malicious attempts which might threaten the security of the school systems and data. These are tested regularly. The school infrastructure and individual workstations are protected by up to date virus software.
- Temporary access of “guests” can be facilitated (e.g. trainee teachers, supply teachers, visitors) onto the school systems but these guests must comply with the contents of this policy.
- Personal data (as defined in GDPR) cannot be sent over the internet or taken off the school site unless safely encrypted or otherwise secured.
- [Policies | Shropshire Gateway Educational Trust \(sget.org.uk\)](https://www.sget.org.uk)

Monitoring - SENSO



In addition to our filtering system, we also use a safeguard called SENSO. Senso. cloud is a software that provides an enhanced level of management, enabling teachers and network managers to monitor and manage off-line computer activity in schools.

Every time a child logs into a device, it reviews the content and reports any concerns to the designated safeguard lead, Ceri Little.

Trigger words or actions are screenshot and sent to the email of the DSL. The children are aware of this – ie during WW2 topics, the word 'bomb' might trigger an email.

SENSO provides information of any pupils who may try to access inappropriate material in school when logged into a device.

Radicalisation and the Use of Social Media to encourage extremism

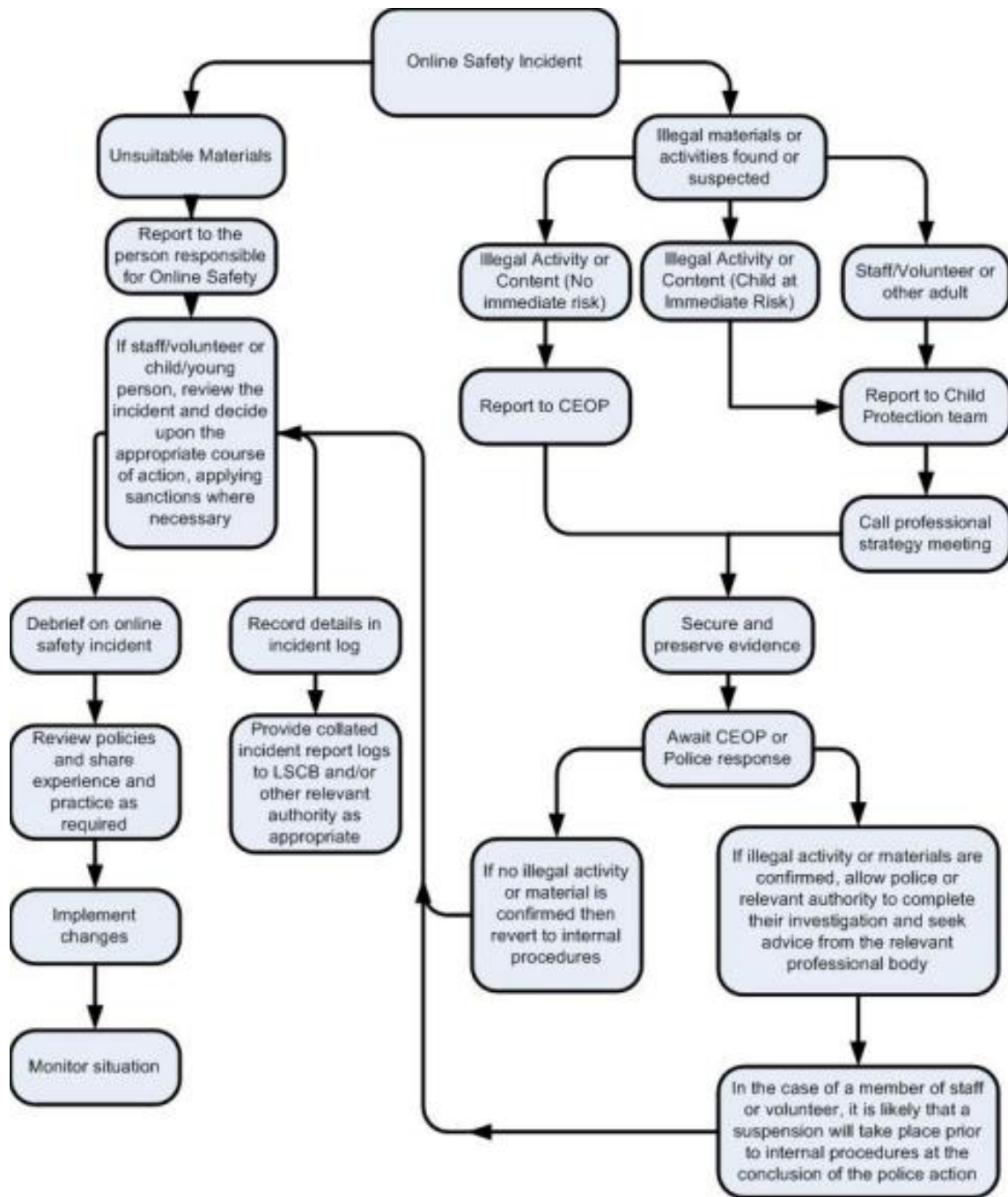
Shropshire Gateway Educational Trust has a number of measures in place to help prevent the use of Social Media for this purpose:

- Web site filtering is in place, and can be put in place, as appropriate to help prevent access to terrorist and extremist material and social networking sites (e.g Facebook, Instagram or Twitter)
- Pupils, Parents and Staff are educated in safe use of Social Media and the risks posed by on-line activity, including from extremist and terrorist groups

Use of digital and video images

Staff and volunteers are allowed to take digital / video images to support educational aims, but must follow school policies concerning the sharing, distribution and publication of those images. Those images should only be taken on school equipment, the personal equipment of staff should not be used for such purposes. Mobile phones can not be used in areas of the school where children are present without the authorisation of the Headteacher.

Reporting Concerns of misuse



In our E Safety policy there is a clear diagram of how to report any misuse.

Please read this carefully and ask the computer lead or DSL if there is any area you do not understand.