**Pets and Animals Policy**

This policy sets out the procedures to be followed for every pupil attending alternative provision at Hereford Learning Hub.

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| **Pets at HLH**  Barney: Chocolate Labrador, emotional support dog, was a school dog  Teddy: Golden Labrador  Jenny: Patterdale/Jack Russell cross | * Learning from animals * Emotional support |
| **Safety**  Included in risk assessment | * Treat animals with respect * Closely supervised * Washing hands after petting * Pet food stored away safely * Pet bowls etc stored away safely * Animal waste removed immediately * Allergies will be noted, and dogs removed |
| **Meeting animals away from setting**  Included in educational visits risk policy | * Respect all living creatures * Wash hands after touching * No feeding of animals unless as an educational visit |
| **Keeping pupils safe around animals that we meet away from setting** | * Not all animals are friendly * Stay calm and quiet * Stand still, not turn away * Make a list fist next to their bodies * Ask permission from owner * Ask owner to recall animal * Protect pupils by distracting animal * Phone 999 |
| Review dates | * The paperwork must be reviewed after a six-week period |