**Selecting Play Equipment and Toys**

We believe that high quality early years care and education are promoted by providing children with safe, clean, attractive, age and stage appropriate resources, toys and equipment.

**Aim**

We aim to provide children with resources and equipment that help to consolidate and extend their knowledge, skills, interests and aptitudes.

**The Equipment we provide:**

•Will be appropriate for the ages and stages of the children.

•Will offer challenges to developing physical, social, personal and intellectual skills.

•Will feature positive images of people, both male and female, from a range of ethnic and cultural groups, with and without disabilities.

•Will include a range of raw materials which can be used in a variety of ways and encourages an open-ended approach to creativity and problem-solving.

•Will enable children with adult support to develop individual potential and move towards required learning goals.

•Will conform to all relevant safety regulations and is sound and well-made.

•Will be furniture that is suitable for children and furniture that is suitable for adults.

•Will be stored and displayed resources and equipment where children can independently choose and select them as far as our set up and storage facilities allow.

This policy has been adopted by Branston Little Pickles Pre School

Signed on behalf of the setting by:

Holly Murphy (Chairperson) Date: February 2023

Jodie Cook (Manager) Review Date: February 2024