

BMM Weston Ltd Whistleblowing Policy

1. Purpose The purpose of this policy is to encourage employees to report any observed or suspected misconduct, ensuring the integrity and ethical standards of [Company Name].

2. Definitions

- Whistleblower: Any employee, contractor, or stakeholder who reports a concern.
- **Misconduct**: Includes fraud, corruption, legal violations, harassment, modern slavery, and policy breaches.
- **3. Reporting Procedure** Reports can be made through:

• **Hotline**: 01795 597105

• **Email**: whistle@bmmweston.co.uk

- **4. Investigation Process** Upon receiving a report, an initial review will be conducted. An impartial investigative team will handle the process, which may include:
 - Evidence collection
 - Interviews
 - Timely updates to the whistleblower
- **5. Protection Against Retaliation** Retaliation against whistleblowers is strictly prohibited. Support resources are available, and those retaliating will face disciplinary action.
- **6. Outcomes and Follow-up** Findings will be communicated, and appropriate actions will be taken. Feedback from whistleblowers on the process is encouraged.
- **7. Training and Awareness** Regular training and awareness programs will be conducted to ensure all employees understand the importance of whistleblowing and their protections.
- **8. Policy Review and Updates** This policy will be reviewed annually. Employees are welcome to provide feedback for improvements.

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